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Afghanistan: Whether the Embassy of Afghanistan in Ottawa produces birth certificates; types of documents required by the applicant

Research Directorate, Immigration and Refugee Board, Ottawa

According to the head of Consular Services at the Embassy of Afghanistan in Ottawa, the Embassy does issue birth certificates under the following independent conditions:

- The applicant currently holds an Afghan birth certificate in which case it is merely translated and a new certificate is issued in English.
- The applicant holds identification (i.e. driver's license, student ID, etc.) that indicates he/she is an Afghan.
- The applicant can prove that his/her parents, or father, are/is an Afghan through the presentation of identification.
- The applicant comes to the Embassy for an interview and he/she can provide two witnesses that can attest in written form that he/she is an Afghan (24 Oct. 2003).

This Response was prepared after researching publicly accessible information currently available to the Research Directorate within time constraints. This Response is not, and does not purport to be, conclusive as to the merit of any particular claim to refugee status or asylum.

Reference

Embassy of Afghanistan, Ottawa. 24 October 2003. Correspondence sent by head of Consular Services.

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