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refugee [rɛf'yʊ-jē']

1 is not a criminal **2** is not an intruder **3** is not someone else's problem
4 is someone who is fleeing torture or persecution, who has the right to seek asylum in another country.

People look for refuge in other countries because they have no other option – they are being persecuted at home because of who they are, their beliefs or their opinions. They come to find safety. Instead, many find closed borders, xenophobia, and terrible living conditions. Some of them are denied a fair hearing of their asylum claim and could be forced to return home, where their lives are in danger. Amnesty International is working to protect human rights, including the rights of refugees, asylum-seekers and migrants. We need your voice. [Join us now on www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org)

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