

Asunto: your request for information on immigration related detention

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Referring to your request of March 20th, I'm honored to provide some answers to your questions.

- 1) Concerning the names and locations of the facilities in use in Luxembourg in use for the purpose of confining non-citizens in administrative detention for periods exceeding three day because of immigration-related reasons, the only holding facility of the country is called "Centre de rétention" and is located in L-1751 Findel, 10 beim Haff.
- 2) As the holding facility opened in September 2011, I can only provide detailed data for the year 2012:

Total number of people detained in 2012: 322 (203 single men, 11 single women, 26 families representing 108 people)

Concerning those families we counted

- 1 couple with 6 children
- 1 couple with 5 children
- 1 couple with 4 children
- 1 couple with 3 children
- 10 couples with each 2 children
- 4 couples with each 1 child
- 1 couple without children
- 1 single woman with 3 children
- 4 single women with each 2 children
- 3 single women with each 1 child.

Concerning families in detention, I'd like to point out that the law concerning the holding facility foresees that their detention may not exceed 72 hours.

Non-accompanied minors are never placed in detention in the holding facility. Except the category of persons sub 3), only illegal migrants in deportation proceedings are placed in detention.

- 3) Asylum seekers (i.e. those waiting for decisions on their claims) are not placed in detention, unless an illegal migrant claims for asylum during his stay in the holding facility. In 2012, we counted 9 detainees in that situation.

Please don't hesitate to contact me for further information.

Best regards.

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Director