



What to expect?

MY ASYLUM APPLICATION



While you wait for a decision, **don't leave** to go to another country without approval.

- If you cannot go back to your country because it is unsafe for you, **you can ask for asylum here**.
- Asylum is also called **international protection**.
- **A child (below 18)** who arrived alone is assigned a person called a **guardian** for support.
- After checking all the information, the authorities will decide **if you need asylum or not**.

REGISTRATION



The authorities will **register your application**, take your **photo** and **fingerprints** (if you are older than 6 years old) and check your documents.



You will be given a **document saying you applied for asylum**. Keep it safe.



After registration, you will be given an invitation with the **date, time** and **location** of the interview.



Don't miss your asylum interview! If you are sick, inform the authorities.

YOUR ASYLUM INTERVIEW



You'll be asked why you left your country, about your family, your life back home and your journey.



Bring documents (ID, photos, reports) to support your story.

AWAITING YOUR INTERVIEW



You will stay in a **safe place**. While waiting, try to **keep yourself busy**.



Learn the local language, make new friends, play sports and stay healthy.



Ask a legal counsellor or your guardian to help you **prepare for the interview**.

THE DECISION

After a few months, you will receive a decision.



If positive, you can stay in this country and move to more permanent housing.



If negative, you'll be informed about safe options to return home. If you disagree with the decision, you can challenge it officially. This is called an **appeal**.

REMEMBER

- ✓ You can see a lawyer for advice on return or how to appeal a negative decision.
- ✓ Ask for an interpreter if you don't speak the language.
- ✓ If you can't answer the questions the officer asks you, you can say so.
- ✓ All officers must treat you with respect.
- ✓ Work with the officers. Ask them to explain what they mean if anything they say is unclear.

