

Subject Response from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (Correspondence Ref. #: 2018-00971117)
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Dear Ramzi Abdulhadi Zanaïqa:

The Office of the Prime Minister has kindly forwarded to the Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship, a copy of your correspondence of January 8, 2018, regarding your wish to come to Canada to be reunited with your son. I have been asked to respond to your concerns.

I understand the circumstances that prompted you to write and I sympathize with your situation. However, please be advised that an individual cannot apply directly for resettlement to Canada at an embassy or visa office, or by sending an application to the Office of the Minister. Canada's immigration legislation prescribes the means by which persons may be considered for resettlement in Canada, including referral by a recognized agency, such as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), as well as through refugee sponsorship. Canadian visa offices abroad will consider applications from refugees and other persons in need of protection only if:

- they have been referred for resettlement to Canada by the UNHCR; or
- they have obtained a private sponsorship that has been approved by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).

Furthermore, information about private sponsorship can also be found [here](#) and [here](#).

To be eligible for resettlement, a number of conditions must be met. Applicants must meet IRCC's definition of the Convention Refugee Abroad Class or the Humanitarian-Protected Persons Abroad Class, which includes the Country of Asylum Class. In addition, no other durable-solution, such as voluntary repatriation, local integration, or resettlement to a third country should be available to the applicants, and the applicants must demonstrate their ability to establish themselves successfully in Canada. Applicants must also pass criminality and security screenings, as well as a medical assessment, in order to meet the admissibility criteria. Information about resettlement from outside Canada can be found [here](#).

There are many different programs that may allow interested individuals to immigrate to Canada permanently. To determine which immigration program will work best for potential applicants based on their personal circumstances, they can answer a few questions using [IRCC's online service](#) in order to find out what immigration programs they are eligible for. as

[IRCC's Child Support](#) in order to find out what management programs they are eligible for, as well as how to apply.

With regard to your son's whereabouts, the issues you have described are not specifically within the scope of IRCC's programs. Individuals in similar situations are advised to discuss these matters with their local family law office, legal counsel, or local law enforcement authorities.

While I understand that this is not the response you had anticipated, I hope that you will find this information to be helpful.

Sincerely,

P. MacLeod

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