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# 2. Refugee status

This chapter provides a brief outline and general considerations with regard to the assessment of applications for international protection in relation to the elements of the refugee definition ( Article 2(d) QD) and proceeds with the analysis of information concerning 19 particular profiles of applicants for international protection in relation to qualification for refugee status. For each profile, and in some cases for the relevant sub-profiles, it provides: COI summary, risk analysis (including findings whether the treatment that an individual under this profile risks would amount to persecution and an assessment of the level of risk) and conclusions with regard to the potential nexus to a reason for persecution.

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