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The required elements in order to apply Article 8 QD are:

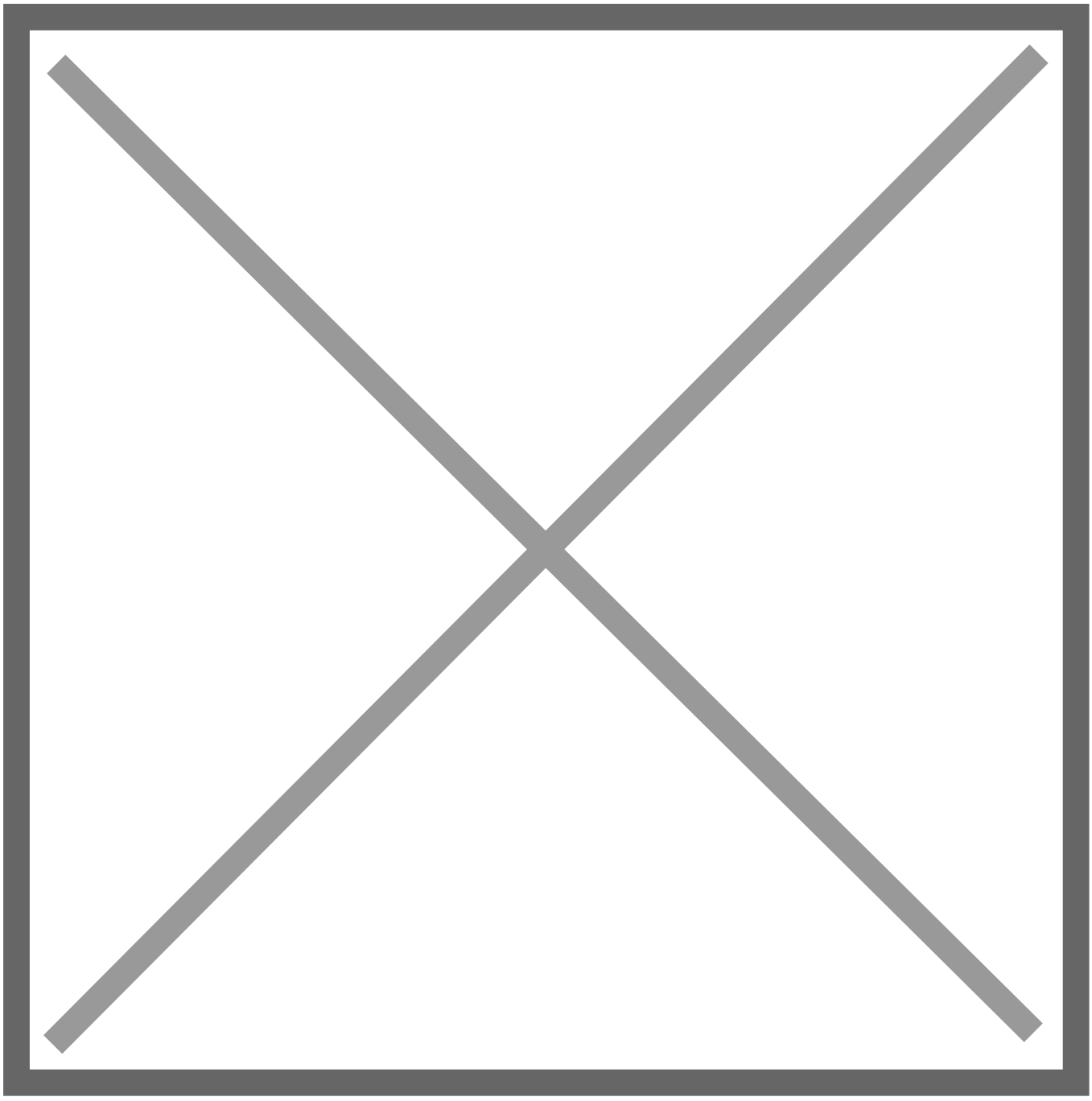

Figure 6. Internal protection alternative: elements of the assessment.

In relation to these elements, when assessing the applicability of internal protection alternative (IPA), the case officer should consider the general situation in the respective part of Nigeria, as well as the individual circumstances of the applicant. The burden of proof lies with the determining authority, while the applicant remains under an obligation to cooperate. The applicant is also entitled to submit elements to indicate that IPA should not be applied to him or her.

In this chapter, you will find further guidance on the elements:

- Part of the country
- Safety
- Travel and admittance
- Reasonableness to settle

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