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LACC	U.S.-Cuba Migration Talks	The talks discuss the evaluation and implementation of the Migration Accords, updates on Cuban Migration Policy, trends in maritime and overland Cuban Migration, and the issue of returning removable aliens to Cuba. Attendance: solely U.S. and Cuban officials.	Biannual	Alternates between DC/HAV	Typically RAO Associate Director, International Operations Division Chief or Deputy Division Chief and Havana FOD. At times this depends on the location DC or HAV and the stakes involved (e.g., 2016 Talks in HAV was attended by D1/COS)
LACC	Fraud/Human Smuggling Technical Exchange	Participants discuss issues concerning Cuban migration fraud trends, trafficking/smuggling, migration statistics, and best practices. Technological and security measures are examined and areas of cooperation are considered. Attendance: solely U.S. and Cuban officials. In the past, there has been representation from other DHS components including ICE HSI, CBP, and USCG.	Biannual	Alternates between location in the US and HAV	FOD and other LACC and/or IO HQ FDNS representative
EMEA	Resettlement meeting with Australia, Canada, and UK	Representatives from the U.S., Australia, Canada, and UK meet quarterly to discuss resettlement numbers through the rest of the year, new refugee populations that have been introduced, fraud trends, and particular challenges that each country has encountered within the MENA caseloads.	Quarterly	Amman, Jordan	FOD
EMEA	Fraud meeting with Australia, Canada, UK, Germany, and UNHCR	Participants discuss particular fraud trends within the MENA caseload, fraud deterrence methods used by each country, and suggestions for better vetting and streamlining the referral process with UNHCR. Participant countries also discuss ways to identify and close cases that are in the resettlement pipeline for multiple countries.	Quarterly	Amman, Jordan	FOD
APAC	Five Country Conferen Information Sharing Task Force	This meeting is comprised of members from the FCC(UK, AUS, NZL, CAN). Members routinely share trends, new information received from host government on document security, best practices, and learn about other ways to improve visa integrity. Members also on occasions share more specific informations related to potential visa fraud rings, perpetrators, threats when there's established information sharing agreement between the member countries.	Monthly	Beijing, China	FOD
APAC	Five Country Conferen Information Sharing Task Force - LES	This meeting is similar in nature as above but the members are comprised of LES who support the member embassies. It is a way to ensure that we further allow our support teams to be engaged as well on the fight against visa fraud.	Quarterly	Beijing, China	LES
APAC	China Ministry of Supervision -Anticorruption Fugitive Taskforce	The primary members of this meeting is the Chinese Ministry of Supervision (similar to the OIG) Ministry of Public Security, Ministry of Justice, FBI, DOJ, and DHS (ICE and USCIS) The taskforce was meant to show the Chinese how to create working-level taskforce and purpose of taskforce is to work on repatriation of China's economic fugitives who have misused their public trust and embezzled from the Chinese government. The US-side is supposed to assist the Chinese in terms of legal coordination, law enforcement assistance, and information sharing from the US end. So far, we only met once and future meetings have been put on hold due to China's on-going covert law enforcement activities that are taking place in the US without prior notification and approval from the US. US-lead for this taskforce is DOJ.	Quarterly	Beijing, China	FOD
APAC	Risk Assessment and Anti-Fraud Team (RAAFT) Delhi	Members of the team meet on a monthly basis to discuss regional fraud trends as well as best practices with respect to risk assessment and anti-fraud measures.	Monthly	New Delhi, India	FOD/OAO/SIO
APAC	Five Country Conference Task Force Meeting	Meet with counterparts from Australia, Canada, UK, and Germany to Discuss fraud trends with Refugee/Immigration populations in India.	Every other month	New Delhi, India	SIO
APAC	Five Country Conference Antifraud Meeting	Quarterly round table where representatives from the US, UK, Canadian, Aust	Quarterly	Manila, Philippines	FOD/LES Investigator

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ASY	IGC Asylum Working Group (U.S. is currently Chair)	The Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC) consists of 16 member states and was established as a forum for information exchange and consultations on issues relevant to the management of international migratory flows. The IGC convenes several working groups related to migration, including immigration, enforcement/removal, country of origin research, technology, and asylum to discuss issues of shared interest. Each working group is headed by a Chair and consists of subject matter experts from each participating government. The groups each meet twice per year in Geneva to discuss themes and agendas developed in concert with other IGC member states, the IGC Secretariat, and the sitting IGC country chair (currently Norway).	Biannual	Geneva	Asylum Deputy (Chair)
ASY	US-Canada Asylum Working Group	USCIS Asylum Division and Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) hold bi-weekly calls in support of the biannual face to face meetings and to discuss matters related to our respective systems of Asylum processing. The working group allows for both sides to share best-practices, compare features of each program, and to report on trends and statistics including the flow of asylum-seekers between our shared border with Canada.	Biannual	Once in US (Asylum Office), once in Canada	Asylum Deputy, Branch Chief, HQ Officer
ASY	US/Canada/Mexico/UNHCR Capacity Building Steering Meeting	USCIS Asylum Division, IRCC and Immigration and Refugee Board (IRB) from Canada, COMAR (Mexico's Asylum agency), and UNHCR representatives from the Americas and the Caribbean convene yearly to update and assess the yearly Joint Plan of Action, share statistics and best practices as well as discuss current challenges to the represented Asylum programs and to review the state of refugee flows in the Latin American region with an eye towards best supporting capacity building efforts with the Mexican Asylum Program. Monthly conference calls are also held to check in on the progress of Joint Action Plan items and to exchange information.	Annual	Rotates between US, Canada, Mexico	Asylum Deputy, Branch Chief, HQ Officer
ASY	Asylum Capacity-Building Activities	Asylum Division staff have provided training in Mexico to Mexican COMAR staff and returned for follow-up interview observations and to provide feedback to the newly training Mexican Asylum Officers. Asylum Division staff also provided training and technical consultation to Mexico's INM, Academy Training for Mexican Immigration officials, in conjunction with DHS and components.	Varies	Varies--primarily Mexico right now	Varies--supervisory asylum officers, HQ staff, training officers
ASY	DOS-DHS Preclearance POE Negotiations	Section 235A of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish preinspection facilities at foreign airports if certain conditions are met. One condition relates to the foreign country's treatment of asylum seekers and refugees. To conduct preinspection activities related to immigration processing at a foreign airport, the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, must ensure that the foreign country either "maintains practices and procedures with respect to asylum seekers and refugees in accordance with the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees (done at Geneva, July 28, 1951), or the Protocol Relating to the Status of Refugees (done at New York, January 31, 1967)," or "that an alien in the country otherwise has recourse to avenues of protection from return to persecution." INA § 235A(a)(5)(C), codified at 8 U.S.C. § 1225a(a)(5)(C). In recent years, the USCIS Asylum Division has been called upon to participate in the USG's bilateral negotiations with respect to this provision--e.g., United Arab Emirates and Dominican Republic.	Whenever a new preclearance POE is being negotiated	World-wide	Asylum Chief, Deputy, HQ staff
RAD	Annual Tripartite Consultations on Resettlement (ATCR), UNHCR	UNHCR HQ and field staff, government officials from resettlement countries, and NGOs meet in plenary and breakout sessions to discuss overseas resettlement issues and domestic integration.	Once annually (June or July): June 11-13, 2018 (tentative)	Geneva, Switzerland	RAD Chief or Deputy Chief
RAD	Working Group on Resettlement (WGR), UNHCR	UNHCR HQ and field staff and government officials from resettlement countries meet in plenary and breakout sessions to discuss overseas resettlement issues and domestic integration; limited NGO participation.	Once annually or at the discretion of the Chair (not currently scheduled)	Discretion of the Chair	RAD Chief or Deputy Chief; other RAD subject matter experts (SMEs), depending on the agenda

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RAD	Working Group on Resettlement – Integrity, UNHCR (sub-group of the WGR)	The US and Australia currently co-chair this subgroup of the WGR to focus on antifraud, data-sharing, and other integrity measures related to refugee resettlement. UNHCR staff and a subset of WGR countries participate.	At the discretion of the Chair and UNHCR (not more frequent than annually)	Geneva, Switzerland or discretion of the chair	RAD Chief, Deputy Chief, or SME
RAD	Syria Core Group, UNHCR (sub-group of the WGR)	Under UNHCR auspices, resettlement countries rotate responsibility to chair this WGR sub-group to share information on needs, goals, and best practices with regard to Syrian refugee resettlement. A subset of WGR countries participate. Depending on the agenda, State/PRM may be the sole USG participant.	Discretion of the Chair (usually combined with another UNHCR-convened meeting); Nov. 6-8, 2017	Discretion of the Chair; Nov. 2018 meeting - London	RAD Chief, Deputy, or SME, depending on the agenda; may include others (e.g., RAO Research Unit or FDNS) depending on the agenda. Nov. 2018 meeting staffed solely by PRM/Geneva Mission
RAD	UNHCR's Executive Committee	"ExCom" consists of UN Member States with an interest in refugee issues, including countries of nationality, hosting/transit, and resettlement. The USG delegation is led by State Dep't's Assistant Sec. for PRM and typically USAID, World Food Program, and other agencies participate. ExCom advises the High Commissioner, reviews funds and programs, and approves budgets.	Annual (first week of October)	Geneva, Switzerland	RAIO Associate Director or designee
RAD	Five Country Conference Resettlement Working Group/Network	Representatives from the 5 governments' operational components responsible for refugee resettlement meet to discuss issues of mutual concern, including UNHCR operations. The USG is represented by State/PRM and USCIS. While the group had been designated a less-formal "network," its status was changed to a "working group" for 2017 in order to respond to recommendations in a 2016 report on Syrian refugees. It is expected to revert to a "network" in 2018.	Annual in-person, in conjunction w/the ATCR; supplemented with periodic conference calls (not currently scheduled)	Geneva, Switzerland	RAD Chief or Deputy Chief
RU	IGC Country of Origin Information Working Group	The Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC)	Biannual	Geneva	RAIO Research Unit Chief
RAIO	IGC Mini Full Round	The Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC) consists of 16 member states and was established as a forum for information exchange and consultations on issues relevant to the management of international migratory flows. In addition to the working groups the IGC convenes twice per year, it also coordinates two high level meetings focusing on issues related to a particular theme that is set by the chair (this year it is Norway). The Mini Full Round is one of two high level meetings and generally takes place every December in Geneva.	Annual (December)	Geneva	RAIO Associate Director / Senior Advisor (accompanying)
RAIO	IGC Full Round	The Intergovernmental Consultations on Migration, Asylum, and Refugees (IGC) consists of 16 member states and was established as a forum for information exchange and consultations on issues relevant to the management of international migratory flows. In addition to the working groups the IGC convenes twice per year, it also coordinates two high level meetings focusing on issues related to a particular theme that is set by the chair (this year it is Norway). The Full Round is one of two high level meetings - the location varies and is selected by the chairing country in consultation with the IGC.	Annual (May)	Varies - The country chair generally hosts in his/her country.	D2 and RAIO Associate Director / Senior Advisor (accompanying)
OoC	Metropolis North America - Migration Policy Forum: People, Labor, Borders and Security	The goals of this inaugural policy forum are to facilitate open and constructive discussion between policymakers, researchers and practitioners in order to achieve better understanding of the respective challenges in the area of migration in the United States, Mexico and Canada.	Annual (inaugural meeting November 2017)	Arlington, VA	Office of Citizenship Chief or Deputy Chief
RAIO	International Association of Refugee Law Judges (IARLJ)	The IARLJ holds a yearly conference attended by refugee law judges from around the world. The IARLJ seeks to foster recognition that protection from persecution on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion is an individual right established under international law, and that the determination of refugee status and its cessation should be subject to the rule of law. This year, Asylum will present on Adjudication of Sensitive Claims, specifically sexual orientation and domestic violence.	Annual	World-wide (will be hosted in Washington DC in August 2018)	Varies--AD, senior advisor, supervisory asylum officers, HQ staff, training officers

List of RAIO Acronyms

LACC-Latin America, Canada and the Caribbean District

EMEA-Europe, Middle East and Africa District

APAC-Asia Pacific District

FOD-Field Office Director (International)

OAQ-Overseas Adjudications Officer

SIO-Supervisory Immigration Officer

LES-Locally Employed Staff