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OPPORTUNITIES FUND: ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR CORONA INITIATIVES

Because the situation is still dire, the Kansfonds [Opportunities Fund] has extended the emergency aid for homeless, undocumented migrants and people in destitution until the end of 2020. This aid includes living allowance, humane shelter and accommodation and food supply for these vulnerable groups. It is to be expected that this emergency aid will be continued in 2021.

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ADMISSION POLICY

Court of Appeal: risk of disproportional sentence on return Moroccan woman with extramarital child

This case concerns a Moroccan woman who, in The Netherlands, gave birth to a child of a Syrian man. In Morocco extramarital sex is punished with a prison sentence. The court are of the opinion that this is a violation of the prohibition of inhumane treatment. Therefore she cannot be expelled. You will find more information [here](#).

Court of Appeal: status for Sudanese woman because of risk for repeated circumcision after reconstructive surgery

This Sudanese woman who underwent reconstructive surgery after her circumcision has applied for asylum in The Netherlands. The IND has rejected her asylum application because the woman concerned is highly educated and in Sudan there is no risk of repeated circumcision for independent women. However, the lawyer has shown that women in similar situations have been granted asylum permits. This should therefore apply to this woman as well, according to the Court (Court of Appeal Amsterdam, NL20.6162 and NL20.7559, 5.10.20).

Court of Appeal: 81-year-old mother should be admitted for visiting her daughter in The Netherlands

The admission criteria for foreigners have been tightened due to corona. Therefore this 81-year-old woman from South Africa who wanted to visit her daughter in The Netherlands, was refused entry at the border. She was placed in a hotel and had to return.

The Court are of the opinion that the corona policy is European policy. In other countries relatives are admitted. Therefore this woman should not have been refused entry (Court of Appeal Haarlem, AWB 20/7449, 9.10.20).

CHECK AND DETENTION

Council of State: detention of aliens after regular home inspection is allowed

Currently this man is in aliensdetention with the intention to expel him. He stated that he should not have been arrested.

The Council of State has concluded that the police initially went to the address on account of complaints by the neighbours concerning neighbourly conflicts. Thereupon they checked the identity papers of the people present. In situations like these this is allowed. Therefore it was justified to place this man in detention of aliens. You will find more information [here](#).

ACTIVITIES

COOL: New network for undocumented migrants Leiden

Various organisations and individuals in Leiden have founded the Comité Opgang Ongedocumenteerden Leiden: COOL. Cool consists of people who fight for the well-being of undocumented migrants who are

left out in the cold – the most vulnerable – and who support them, both verbally and physically. Particularly in these times of corona.

One of COOL's projects is LOF, Leids Ongedocumenteerden Fonds. This Fund for undocumented people helps financing the basic necessities of life for undocumented people who apply for support.

<https://www.debakkerijleiden.nl/nieuws/2020/10/wij-zijn-cool>

NOO! - In The Netherlands people live in the street!

As a consequence of failing refugee policy thousands of undocumented people live in the street. Do you agree that this is unacceptable and do you want to help by offering accommodation?

In that case please join the national Netwerk Ongedocumenteerden Onderdak (NOO) [Network Undocumented Accommodation]. This network want to join forces from people like YOU!

Register with Tom Waalewijn: twaaalewijn@gmail.com

Diaconate Weekend Leiden: Give Leiden's undocumented migrants a humane existence 7-8 November

We know how the support of this group of refugees in particular is controversial in this country. For this reason this year we issue an extensive, sixteen-page themed paper entitled [*Krant zonder Papieren*](#) with further backgrounds, book and film suggestions with reference to this subject.

<https://www.debakkerijleiden.nl/nieuws/2020/10/diaconaal-weekend-2020-laet-ze-niet-vallen>

Webinar MPC: 'Covid19 and Systemic Resilience: What Role for Migrant Workers?', 9nov 9-17:30u

The online conference provides an opportunity for a first discussion of key themes and priorities for a new research and policy agenda on migrants and systemic resilience, with a focus on food production, health services, and social care. It will discuss the implications of a concern with systemic resilience for how we assess the effects of labour migration and how we design migration policies and related public policies. The conference is free and open to all but registration is required.

The Zoom link to the Webinar will be provided [following registration](#).

Journal of the Transnational Migrants' Coordination

This journal shows that in all countries, whether inside or outside Europe, migrants face the link between their juridical status, the residence permit, and a series of conditions depending upon work, income, family and their state of origin. In this context, racist and patriarchal violence are instrumental to impose the worst condition to migrants, in particular migrant women, for whom family reunification means dependency on their husbands' documents. Against all this we demand documents for all migrants, valid in all Europe, detached from employment contract, income, wage and family.

<https://www.coordinamentomigranti.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/TMC-JOURNAL-PUBLISHER-EN-FINALE.pdf>, October 20