
DESPERATE AFGHAN REFUGEE SETS HIMSELF ON FIRE IN INDONESIA

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Afghan refugee Ezat Najafi sensed something was wrong when his friend and fellow refugee, Ahmad Shah, began to behave erratically in front of the Indonesian Organization for Migration (IOM) building in the Indonesian city of Medan.

For a month, a group of Afghan refugees – some of whom have been living in limbo in Indonesia for almost a decade – had been staging a 24-hour protest in a makeshift camp in front of the IOM office, sleeping in tents pitched in the forecourt.

The IOM is responsible for the care of refugees while they are in Indonesia awaiting resettlement in a third country.

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