

## Warning – Hearing by Officials of the Somali Embassy

The only purpose of the personal hearing is to issue travel documents for deportation. A Passport for other purposes cannot be applied for here.

The Somali officials receive money for these hearings.

If you go to the hearing, the following may happen:

- The invited persons are questioned by the Somali delegation in order to find out if they come from Somalia, based on language ability, pronunciation, dialect, appearance, traditional tattoos etc.
- If the Somali delegation issues a travel document, there is a risk that a deportation will occur soon.
- We do not know exactly how such a hearing is conducted and what exactly is done there.

If you do not go to the hearing, the following may happen:

- You do not have to attend the hearing if you have a medical (Doctor's) note.
- You may be charged for an offence if you do not attend the hearing without having a medical note or excusing yourself.
- You may be forcefully brought to the next hearing by the Police.
- You may get a Toleration (Duldung) according to Paragraph 60b of the Residency Laws, whereby you are not permitted to work.

If you get an invitation to a hearing, contact your Lawyer or go to a counselling center. Get advice there about a new asylum application, as the situation in Somalia has worsened.

If you have attended a hearing, tell other people about the process of the hearing and contact us. In this way, we can inform other people about it.

Contact us

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