

# RESETTLEMENT/ AVR/R FOR THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS STRANDED



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IOM facilitates movement operations and pre-departure services, in liaison with concerned authorities in resettlement countries. IOM carries out “fitness to travel” health assessments, when requested; facilitates and provides logistical support for visa processing; offers transportation services as well as other services related to refugee resettlement, in compliance with the agreements signed with immigration services in the respective resettlement countries. In specific cases, IOM is responsible for Pre-departure orientation (PDO) sessions prior to the movement. Additionally, IOM mission in Albania assists with voluntary returns of third country nationals to their countries of origin. The process entails an initial pre-screening interview and, in case of eligibility, flight arrangements for the irregularly stranded migrants in the territory of the Republic of Albania. In case of lack of travel documents, IOM helps the returning migrants with the facilitation of their issuance in coordination with diplomatic missions of their respective countries of origin.

## PROJECT DATA

**Partners:** Immigration authorities in the resettlement countries. Diplomatic representation offices of the countries of origin.

As of 2015 IOM Tirana has assisted with the resettlement of 20 persons to the US, Norway, Finland, etc.