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Abused and Abandoned: Refugees Denied Rights in Malaysia

'Abused and Abandoned: Refugees Denied Rights in Malaysia' investigates the plight of refugees and asylum-seekers, who are not offered any official recognition by the Malaysian government and are instead subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention, violence, harassment, and deportation back to the persecution they fled.

The report is to be released ahead of several relevant dates:

18 June: the conclusion of the Malaysia visit of the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention

19 June: the 65th birthday of Daw Aung Sang Suu Kyi (the vast majority of refugees in Malaysia are from Myanmar)

20 June: World Refugee Day

For clarity: The embargo time of 14:01 GMT Wednesday 16 June is equivalent to **00:01 Thursday 17 June in Australia.**

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