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Further information on UA 347/02 (AMR 38/022/2002, 29 November 2002) Forcible return

JAMAICA Six Haitian nationals (names unknown)

Six Haitian nationals, previously facing forced return from Jamaica to Haiti, have been granted access to legal advice and representation. Their claims of asylum are currently being adjudicated in what appears to be an adequate and fair process.

The six were among a group of some 100 Haitians who arrived in Jamaica by boat on 20 November. It was reported that many of them wished to apply for political asylum. Amnesty International originally feared that the six would be returned in violation of the internationally recognized rights to a fair adjudication of their refugee claims.

Many thanks to all who sent appeals: Amnesty International will continue to monitor this case. No further action is required from the network at present.