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### **Message From The President**

The rapid progress of the program in Forced Migration and Refugee Studies has been a source of great pride to the University and to me personally over the past year. Not only has the program attracted the support of many international agencies and donors, but it has filled our seminar rooms with a wide variety of important and fascinating lecturers. This is as it should be, since Egypt offers a safe haven for members of two of the world's largest refugee populations, the Sudanese and the Palestinians, and is close enough to allow research on other important refugee populations in West Asia and the Horn of Africa. As a uniquely multi-cultural, English-medium university, AUC can and should host such a multi-disciplinary program. I offer my congratulations to all those who have been involved in developing this important addition to the University.

John D. Gerhart

### **Message From The Provost**

As any reader of this report can see, the program in Forced Migration and Refugee Studies at AUC has had another highly successful year of attracting students, important visitors, and external funding. With its series of well-attended Wednesday lectures and various specialized activities, FMRS has established itself as the leading center in Cairo for the many people interested in this exciting and changing field. In recognition of the increasing interest that students have in FMRS, we have initiated a new dual degree option for AUC students to enable them to work for the Diploma in Forced Migration and Refugee Studies and an MA Degree. This year will also mark the beginning of such vital new ventures as a two-year project that will study the key issues related to the livelihoods of the large Palestinian community in Egypt. I am very pleased with the achievements of FMRS this year and look forward to outstanding success in the coming year.

Earl (Tim) Sullivan

### **Message From The Director**

Some months ago, I was speaking with a colleague from one of the refugee agencies in Cairo who suggested that the Forced Migration and Refugee Studies Program could take some of the credit for increasing people's interest in refugee issues in Egypt and helping to develop strategies for promoting their well-being. Certainly, our well-attended seminars, short courses, legal aid training sessions, and other outreach activities indicate that significant numbers of concerned individuals want to know more about the challenges facing refugees and the societies that host them. One of our missions is to shed light on the ways host societies include or exclude refugees. After all, those societies which promote respect for human rights through legislation and good leadership deal more successfully with the refugees in their midst.

One of the more disturbing trends in recent months has been the rise of racist incidents involving refugees in Cairo, mainly affecting those from other African countries. Media coverage of these events has failed to convey the fact that xenophobia negatively affects societies themselves; both the reports of abuse suffered by refugees and the claims that Egypt cannot support more refugees given its economic challenges and rates of unemployment talk past the issue at the heart of the matter. Antagonisms between groups do not simply stem from ethnic or other differences, but must be actively created. Since refugees are and will continue to be part of the social reality everywhere, we at FMRS are particularly interested in examples of societies which involve the participation of government, media, and civil society in upholding social and economic rights as fundamental aspects of human rights so that differences between refugees and their hosts are accommodated or overlooked.

Intolerance and xenophobia need to be understood in the context of complex processes such as urbanization, which involve large numbers of nationals as well as forced migrants and refugees in our region. Urban settlement, we argue, is not merely a demographic variable but a focus for both negative interaction and possibilities of positive change. As refugee agencies increasingly look for ways to deliver services to "self-settled" refugees, including those in urban areas, FMRS calls upon those who serve disadvantaged citizens to look for creative

ways to incorporate refugees into their programs. Likewise, refugee agencies would do well to think more strategically about how they use their assistance to promote tolerance. By providing, say, day care services for the children of poor Egyptians and refugees in Cairo's most disadvantaged neighborhoods, tolerance can be nurtured among both groups.

Awareness and good policy are two sides of the same coin. The media can also play a critical role in encouraging respect and tolerance for refugees through creating awareness of refugees' need for and right to protection by the host state and society. Egypt's important history in refugee protection—from being part of the drafting of international instruments that protect refugees worldwide to successfully integrating foreign communities—needs also to be shared and celebrated. By educating members of society about the rights of all people and the benefits of cultural diversity and pluralism, we can work to create wider conditions in which refugees and nationals alike may lead dignified lives.

Anita Fábos

## **MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS 2001-2002**

### **New Location**

FMRS is now situated on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of AUC's Old Falaky Building, sharing this space with the *Institute for Gender and Women's Studies* and the *Office of African Studies*. FMRS is looking forward to increasingly productive collaborations between departments through the continuous exchange of research and contacts.

### **New Program Administrator**

This year, Alia Arafa has assumed the task of administrating the expanding FMRS program. Bringing with her extensive experience gained previously as Senior Program Assistant at the Ford Foundation, she has been working to promote and maintain relationships with academic programs, government, inter- and non-governmental organizations. She also coordinates communication between students and staff, publicizes diploma and outreach activities through the FMRS database, as well as administers the day-to-day running of the office.

### **Emma Bonino at FMRS**

Emma Bonino, former Commissioner of the European Community Humanitarian Office (ECHO), has been named Distinguished Visiting Professor at FMRS. On March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2002, she gave a public lecture at AUC entitled, 'Human Rights Issues in Humanitarian Crises' which was widely attended by students, staff, members of the diplomatic community and the public. She will also be acting as an advisor to FMRS and the Egyptian Organisation for Human Rights' Refugee Legal Aid Project. A promoter of international human, civil and political rights campaigns throughout Europe, she has been advocating for the establishment of the International Criminal Court.

### **Library**

The Mellon Foundation-funded Forced Migration and Refugee Studies Core Collection of Library Materials, catalogued by Sohila Hussein, has continued to expand with the acquisition of books, journals, conference papers and otherwise inaccessible unpublished literature. The Document Room now houses its own computer, allowing students and other researchers easy access to the wealth of internet-based forced migration and refugee studies related resources.

Through the work of Martha Plettner, Director of Library Technology Services at AUC and FMRS's Library Liaison officer, the FMRS library is now the Middle East partner of the Oxford University-initiated Forced Migration Portal Project, due to be officially launched in November 2002. *Forced Migration Online* will offer web resources for practitioners, researchers, and students in the field and provide the latest information on the situation of forced migrants worldwide.

### **Networking and Collaboration**

Given its proximity to Middle East, Mediterranean, East and North-East Africa, FMRS faces the challenge of establishing networks and extending its collaboration with institutions in these regions that are affected by forced migrations and internally displaced persons. The provision of a graduate teaching program and training activities for inter- and non- governmental agency staff, and outreach programs to facilitate collaboration with refugee communities will ensure that FMRS's contribution is felt at local, national, and international levels.

### **Africa**

Charles Mubbale, Director, Refugee Rights Advocacy, part of the Sudan Human Rights Association, Kampala, Uganda, visited FMRS in Cairo as part of the HURINET 'capacity building' program. He gave a seminar presentation on the protection work of his organization in Uganda and visited all the main centers of refugee assistance in Cairo. Zachary Lomo, Director of the Refugee Law Project, Faculty of Law, Makerere University, Uganda, came to advise the Refugee Legal Aid Project. Ronald Kalyango, Senior Training Officer, Refugee Law Project, gave a presentation on their training activities for the office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugee (UNHCR) and NGOs, Professor Harrell-Bond is the external examiner for the master's degree at Witwatersrand University, Johannesburg (South Africa).

In addition FMRS is currently hosting several visiting research fellows whose principle focus is Africa and African refugees. See *FMRS Visiting Research Fellows and Scholars under Outreach*.

### ***UNESCO/UNITWIN Network on Forced Migration***

FMRS has been accepted as a member of the UNESCO/UNITWIN Network on Forced Migration. This network, which links university programs offering forced migration studies, is chaired by the Migration and Humanitarian Law Program, Hassan II University, Casablanca-Ain Chock (Morocco). The other members of the network are: the Centre for Study of Involuntary Migration, An-Najah University, Nablus (The Palestinian Authority); Refugees and Displaced Persons Studies Programme, Yarmouk University, Irbid (Jordan); University of Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo (Mozambique); the Centre for Southern African Studies, University of Western Cape, Bellville (South Africa); and the Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford, Oxford (United Kingdom). At the general board meeting in Casablanca on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, attended by Dr. Anita Fabos, Professor Harrell-Bond, and Mike Kagan, the FMRS was elected as the Network Coordinator. At the same time, Dr. Nancy Petersen and Mike Kagan gave lectures for the program in Casablanca and Dr. Anita Fabos and Professor Harrell-Bond attended the UNESCO UNITWIN *'Women, Migration and Human Rights'* conference held at Hassan II University in Casablanca. The FMRS has translated a refugee law training manual from English into Arabic for institutions in the Middle East with funding from UNESCO.

### ***Networking Visit to Jordan***

In October 2001 Dr. Anita Fábos undertook a week-long networking visit to Jordan where she attended a workshop organized by Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches sur le Moyen-Orient Contemporain (CERMOC). The first activity in a three-year project, the CERMOC-organized *'Migration in the Arab Middle East: Policies, Networks and Communities in the Context of Globalisation'* workshop, which was attended by researchers who discussed migration policies, networks and institutions. She met with representatives from IOM, Hana Jabr, Director of CERMOC, Dr. Jureidini, Chair, Department of Sociology, the American University in Beirut, Dr. Geraldine Chatelard of the European University Institute, and Philippe Fargues, Director of Research, the Institut National D'Etudes Demographiques (INED). INED, currently involved in preparing for the European University Institute's launch of a multi-year, multi-country project on migration in the Middle East and Mediterranean, expressed particular interest in FMRS's collaboration with the program. Intended to develop Euro-Med expertise on migration through pre- and post-doctoral research, the Euro-Med Observatory of International Migration is due to be launched in November 7<sup>th</sup> 2002. Dr. Fábos also visited Yarmouk University's Refugees, Displaced Person's and Forced Migration Studies Center, directed by Dr. Ali Zahal, and members of the staff. The center is a founding member of the UNESCO UNITWIN Network.

### ***Collaboration and Networking with Iran***

Professor Harrell-Bond visited Iran twice in the last year, to present a paper at a workshop on refugee and, in December, to teach a short course on legal and psycho-social issues facing refugees. This one-week course was organized by the Tehran University Center for Human Rights Studies, the Iran NGOs Initiative, and the Organization for Defense of the Victims of Violence, in December 2001. It was attended by students, NGO representatives, and UNHCR staff.

During her visit, Dr. Harrell-Bond met with UNHCR officials working in Iran and participated in meetings with social scientists organized by the Population Council Advisor as well as with officials from the Ministry of Interior (BAFIA). She delivered a lecture at Tehran University's Faculty of Law and visited the Hamyaran NGO Human Resource Center and a refugee camp near Saveh. Concluding the program, she gave a television interview.

### ***Funding***

FMRS is grateful to an increasing number of donors whose generous contributions are fundamental to the program's continuing growth and development.

This year, core support grants from the Ford Foundation and Mellon Foundation have provided continuous support for research and training in the field of forced migration and humanitarian assistance. Grants from the Ford Foundation and the Canadian Governments will fund a seminar for judges from Arab League countries to be held at the beginning of 2003. Another grant from Ford is helping to expand training in refugee/human rights law and expand the refugee protection network. *See section Legal Aid Program under Outreach.*

A grant from UNESO UNITWIN has been received to support exchanges for staff and students between member institutions located in the Arab Middle East.

IOM has donated funds to support the full-time enrollment of Egyptian ministerial staff in the FMRS program. DANIDA has provided five scholarships for one Sudanese and four Egyptian students to study for the FMRS Diploma and, with a British trust, also supported the establishment of the Legal Aid Program in concert with the Egyptian Organisation of Human Rights (EOHR). *See Legal Aid Program under Outreach.* The Swiss Embassy has provided funding for Egyptian lawyers to audit the semester course, International Refugee Law. *See Swiss Funding for Egyptian Lawyers.*

Funding for a 2-year research project into Palestinian livelihoods in Egypt has been secured from IDRC. CEDEJ, UNHCR and the Office of African Studies supported the *History, Politics and Society of North East Africa* short course given by Dr. Gerard Prunier, Director of the French Centre for Ethiopian Studies in Addis Ababa. *See short Courses under Outreach.*

## **DIPLOMA PROGRAM**

### **FMRS Graduate Students**

Since the FMRS program began in 2000, 29 students have enrolled in classes offered as part of the Diploma. Many are professionals who are pursuing the program part-time, including diplomats from the Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, persons working for Egyptian human rights organizations, and Egyptian staff of international non-governmental organizations.

Ten individuals from the departments of Middle East Studies, Sociology/Anthropology and Political Science have enrolled in the core course and/or are conducting research in the field under the supervision of FMRS faculty. Many students have conducted research projects investigating local refugee communities as part of their coursework, and are contributing to overall understanding of the refugee and forced migrant situation in Cairo.

In addition, a new *dual degree* option is open to FMRS students. With prior arrangements with the faculties, they may read for the diploma and a masters degree in Human Rights Law, Development, and Sociology or Anthropology.

### **Diploma Student News**

Egyptian Diplomat and FMRS Diploma student, Mohamed Sarwat Salim, has been posted to the Egyptian Embassy in Belgium.

FMRS Diploma student, Iman Mohamed Ismail, has received a scholarship for the Refugee Studies Centre 2002 Summer School program in Oxford.

Leben Nelson Moro received a scholarship from the FMRS program to attend a conference on the *Work, Employment, and Society* organized from September 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> 2001 at the University of Nottingham, where he presented a paper under the theme of '*Slavery, old and new.*' He also attended the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Comparative and International Society (CIES) hosted from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March 2002 in Orlando, Florida, by the University of Central Florida. The conference was organized under the theme 'The Social Construction of Marginality: Globalization's Impact on the Disenfranchised.'

AUC International Relations MA candidate, Sohair Razek, has recently been awarded one of just two scholarships offered to Egyptian students by the International Master's Degree Program at the University of Joensuu, Finland, to study Intercultural Counselling (ICC). Her thesis focused on refugees in two of Uganda's encampments.

### **GUEST LECTURERS**

*This year FMRS has again welcomed guest lecturers from organizations and institutions throughout Europe, Africa, and the Middle East to share ideas and expertise with graduate students enrolled in the Graduate Diploma Core Seminar, 'Issues in Forced Migration'.*

**CHRIS DOLAN**, Ph.D. Candidate, ACCORD, **'Refugee Livelihood'**

**ROBERT THOMSON, MD**, World Health Organization, **'Adolescence and Exile'**

**PINDIE STEPHEN**, Regional USCO Coordinator, Nairobi, **'Resettlement'**

**EMMA BONINO**, Member of the European Parliament, **'Human Rights Issues in Humanitarian Crises'**

**JEYA HENRY, Ph.D.**, Head of Food Sciences and Nutrition, Oxford Brookes University and Research Fellow, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, **'Nutrition in Humanitarian Crises'**

**MAWAHEB EL-MOUELHY, MD, DRCOG, MPH**, Director, Zienhom Model Centre, Cairo Family Planning Association, **'Refugees and Reproductive Health'**

**NAILA NAPHUAL**, Ph.D. Candidate, Oxford University, **'Returnees and Displaced Persons: Resettling the Displaced in Cairo'**

## RESEARCH

### Research Directions

FMRS has identified three areas under which to structure its research program: refugee settlement in urban areas in the 'south'; immigration, nationality, refugee law and policy in Arab League countries; and reproductive health for refugees in urban areas.

#### ***Refugee Settlement in Urban Areas in the 'South'***

Although it has been estimated by some researchers that up to 80% of refugees are 'self-settled' rather than living in designated camps, the emphasis of the literature on refugees has principally been on humanitarian emergencies, settlement in camps and resettlement in the 'north'. FMRS has sought to redress this imbalance by devoting a substantial proportion of its research resources to expanding what is known about *urban* refugee populations in the Middle East and Africa through particular focus on those living in Cairo. FMRS researchers are involved in the following projects:

- **Dr. Nancy Peterson** (Department of Psychology) conducts research on educational problems of Sudanese children in Cairo, including gaining access to the right to education.
- **Dr. Liz Coker** (the Department of Psychology) has completed a project investigating encounters of Sudanese in Cairo with the Egyptian medical establishment. The 'illness narratives' that Sudanese produce in Cairo's profoundly alienating environment are distinctly tied to this urban experience.
- **Dr. Anita Fábos** (Department of Anthropology and FMRS Director) researches experiences of racism and exclusion among African refugees in the context of urban processes of labeling, media coverage, and differential access to basic services among Egyptian and non-Egyptian residents of Cairo.
- **Dr. Ibrahim El-Nur** (Department of Political Science and Director of African Studies) conducts research on survival strategies and livelihoods of displaced persons around Khartoum.
- **Dr. Stancil Campbell** (Department of Performing and Visual Arts) conducted a research project on theatre initiatives in Cairo-based refugee assistance programs.

#### ***Palestinian Livelihoods in Egypt***

This year, as part of the wider initiative by faculty and affiliated staff at FMRS to research refugee communities living in Cairo, Oroub Al-Abed, Research Associate and Adjunct Instructor, Department of Political Science, has embarked on a two-year project examining the livelihoods of the 70,000 strong Palestinian community. Intended to assess the nature of the community's continuing development within and adaptation to Egyptian society, the research will analyze the 'coping mechanisms' Palestinian refugees have developed in order to overcome social, cultural, administrative, economic and political obstacles over the fifty years they have been resident in Egypt.

#### ***Immigration, Nationality, Refugee Law and Policy in Arab League Countries***

FMRS research on the legal and policy environment affecting refugees and other forced migrants in Arab League countries suggests that both the history of the region and regional agreements have shaped population flows to and from these countries in specific ways. Faculty research initiatives have, therefore, been directed towards investigating the specificities of refugee law and policy in the Arab world.

- **Dr. Martina Rieker** (Department of History) explores issues around how the Palestinian refugee question has shaped thinking and policy on refugee policy in general in the Arab world.
- **Dr. Mark Salter** (Department of Political Science) is researching the development of passport regimes in the region.
- **Dr. Anita Fábos** (Department of Anthropology and FMRS Director) has embarked on the second phase of a project exploring the non-legal determinants (e.g. attitudes towards 'certain' foreigners) of Egyptian immigration policy.

- **Dr. Ibrahim El-Nur** (Department of Political Science and Director of African Studies) investigates the ways in which the experiences of academics in the Sudanese Diaspora is shaping the social science agenda in the Middle East and is comparing it with the Latin American case.
- **Ms. Oroub Al-Abed** (FMRS/Department of Political Science) continues her research on Palestinian citizenship issues in Jordan.

*IDP Field Research in Iraqi Kurdistan*

Following a two-month research visit to Iraqi Kurdistan in the summer of 2001 to assess the history and development of the Kurdish Media, Maggy Zanger (Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, AUC), has recently submitted a research proposal to FMRS to return to Kurdistan again this summer. She intends to examine the social, economic and political adaptation strategies of the Kurds, Turkoman, and Assyrian and Chaldean Christians forcibly displaced from Iraqi government-controlled areas into the urban centers of the Kurdish self-rule area. By conducting a series of case histories of Internally Displaced Persons living throughout the region patterns of displacement and settlement will be identified, in order to determine levels of incorporation into or isolation from Kurdish society in the self-rule area of Northern Iraq.

***Reproductive Health and Urban Refugees Initiative***

*See Reproductive Health under Outreach.*

**FMRS Visiting Research Fellows and Scholars**

Several of the research fellows affiliated with FMRS have also been conducting research among refugees in Cairo and in Africa, in general:

- **Dr. Alison Bichard**, D. Phil., Oxford University, reproductive health issues of urban refugees
- **Debra Budiani**, Ph.D. candidate, Michigan State University, livelihood and identity construction of Somali in Cairo,
- **Mauro De Lorenzo**, D.Phil candidate, Oxford University, forced migration in the Democratic Republic of Congo
- **Esther Dingemans**, Ph.D. candidate, University of Amsterdam, education of Sudanese refugee children
- **Gudrun Kroner**, Ph.D. candidate, University of Vienna, identity construction and living conditions of Somali refugees in various countries, with special emphasis on Cairo
- **Mulki Sharmani**, Ph.D. candidate, Johns Hopkins University, a study of Somali community identity in Cairo

## **OUTREACH**

### **Legal Aid Program**

In August 2001, the Refugee Legal Aid Project was relocated to the 12th floor, 8-10 Mathaf al-Manial Street, Al-Manial, where it is operating as a 'project' of the Egyptian Organisation for Human Rights (EOHR). EOHR and AUC entered into a contractual relationship, with the FMRS program and the Department of Political Science responsible for training and general supervision of cases work, the EOHR for delivering legal aid. Over the past year, Gina Bekker, a South African, has served as senior lawyer, assisted by Ashraf Ruxi and Sanaa El Hakim, both Egyptian lawyers. Staff also includes Motaz Hefny, administrator, Mahmoud Ahmed, accountant, and Rania Alaa, receptionist. The project also hosts self-funded volunteers, lawyers, and paralegals from Egypt and overseas who gain experience in preparing cases for refugee status determination interviews and defending rejected cases and closed files for rehearing at UNHCR. Volunteers come for periods from three months minimum to six months. Their presence has permitted the Project to give assistance to some 700 cases since it began.

### **List of Legal Aid Volunteers 2001-2002**

*Alex Loden, UK*  
*Alex Moradi, US*  
*Alex Moorehead, UK*  
*Asmaa El Toby, Egypt*  
*Aya El Hilay, Egypt*  
*Aurelia Perrier, US*  
*Bridget Haas, US*  
*Charlotte Feijter, New Zealand*  
*Charlotte Van Dyke, Belgium*  
*Christine Hegel, US*  
*Daniel Calvani, Italy*  
*Daniel Swift, UK*  
*Daniela Raiman, Slovakia*  
*David Willey, US*  
*Don Kahaian, US*  
*Duncan Fyfe, UK*  
*Gry Ballestad, Norway*  
*Hema Kotecha, UK*  
*Hester Waddams, UK*  
*Javieria Rizvi, Sweden*  
*John-Paul DeRosa, UK*  
*Justin Conlon, US*  
*Kirsten Melling, UK*  
*Laura Maxwell, UK*  
*Lee Jackson, US*  
*Linda Signer, Switzerland*  
*Lotte Lenaers, Belgium*  
*Lucrezia Botton, Italy*  
*Lydia Korkis, US*  
*Marianne Werrum, Norway*  
*Matthew Lehrfeld, US*  
*Max Bonnemann, Germany*  
*Mark Pallis, UK*  
*Michael Heller Chu, US*  
*Negar Azimi, Switzerland*  
*Neysa Hughes, Australia*  
*Nicholas Stivang, Norway*  
*Omar Aboud, Canada*  
*Paulina Wyrzykowski, Canada*

*Perveen Ali, US*  
*Rachel Grant, UK*  
*Sherif Sayeed, Egypt*  
*Soha El Laithy, Germany*  
*Wendy Pettifer, UK*  
*Wessel Affi, Egypt*

### ***Training***

The EOHR Refugee Legal Aid project runs continuous training programs in refugee/human rights law and procedures for status determination, for its own lawyers and volunteer paralegals from Egypt and overseas. In addition, it participated in the course at FMRS/AUC taught by Ms. Sharryn Aiken. *See the section on Short Courses.* From September to November 2001, Michael Kagan and Gina Bekker organized Saturday training sessions on refugee law and case preparation at AUC. A weekly training session is run at EOHR premises on refugee law and UNHCR procedures. A separate weekly in-house session is also run on interviewing techniques and the RSD process as conducted at UNHCR.

Regular weekly seminars are held on Sunday evenings at Professor Harrell-Bond's apartment. These sessions focus on country-of-origin training for all legal aid volunteers, both lawyers and non-lawyers.

In December 2001, a Saturday training course was run at AUC on interviewing techniques, refugee law, and the RSD process at UNHCR. All these courses were open to the public and attended by volunteers from EOHR, members of the Mussa'deen group, which includes members of the refugee community, as well as other interested parties. Mike Kagan also conducted a full-length practicum in delivering Legal Aid for the Department of Political Science.

In April 2002, Motaz Hefny and Sanaa El Hakim attended a workshop on the management of legal aid clinics, in Budapest, hosted by the Legal Aid Refugee Clinics Association (LARC) and the Hungarian Helsinki Committee. Subjects covered included Teaching legal argumentation skills/Running a moot court competition, Student supervision (with a particular focus on the lawyer-student relationship), External relations, and Student recruitment and selection. As part of their mission, representatives of the Cairo Legal Aid Project visited the Hungarian Helsinki Committee as well as the Legal Aid Clinic in Budapest. The expenses of Motaz Hefny were covered by the organisers whereas FMRS paid for Ms. El Hakim's attendance. Earlier in the year, Ashraf Ruxi attended a 'reach out' meeting, sponsored by UNHCR, in Amman, Jordan. In March, the Refugee Legal Aid project held a 'strategic planning' exercise with Fateh Azzam from The Ford Foundation as the facilitator. Since then, Legal Aid program has begun to do work on several projects that are aimed at improving policy in Egypt. These include: status determination, the situation of unaccompanied minors, detention of refugees and UNHCR's response, and withdrawal of refugee status. These reports will be discussed in open fora at AUC and published.

### ***Collaboration with Other Organizations***

The project cooperates with the Centre for Studies and Humanitarian Development Programs (CSAHDP), the Arab organization for Human Rights Legal Aid (AHRLA), and the Mussa'deen refugee self-help group. It continues to liaise with the CSAHDP, whose staff regularly participate in training sessions, lawyers' meetings, and exchange ideas and consult on cases. Further to this, scholarships have been received from the Swiss Embassy to enable several people from EOHR and CSAHDP to audit the refugee law course at AUC.

### ***Lobbying***

Since the initiation of the Legal Aid project, cooperation with UNHCR to develop means of improving refugee protection policies has been a growing area of work. The project has attempted to present and discuss problems and potential improvements with UNHCR. To this end, efforts have been directed towards forging coalitions with other NGOs in Egypt and abroad and documenting patterns of rights violations against refugee applicants.

**SITE VISIT PROGRAM TO THE US**

*HEBA KASSEM, FMRS Legal Aid Trainee and Director of the Centre for Studies and Human Development Programmes, participated in a Site Visit Program to the USA sponsored by the Ford Foundation. Held in October 2001, the program enabled participants to visit and observe the work of national and international refugee organizations in New York and Washington, D.C. responsible for advocating for the rights of refugees and providing legal aid. The visit was also attended by representatives from the Refugee Law Project, Makerere University, Uganda, the Refugee Consortium of Kenya and the Ad-Hoc Committee for Non-Palestinian Refugees, Lebanon.*

**SWISS FUNDING FOR EGYPTIAN LAWYERS' TRAINING**

*This year, the generosity of the Swiss Embassy of providing scholarships enabled several Egyptian lawyers and paralegals attended training in International Refugee Law at FMRS. The following persons participated in training:*

*Ahmed Badawy Mahmoud  
Negad Mohamed El Borai  
Heba Ahmed Abdalla Kassem  
Mohamed Sayed Bayaomy  
Yasser Awad Mahmoud El Rayes  
Marwa Mostafa Khalafallah*

### **Reproductive Health for Urban Refugees Initiative**

Facilitating the development of a much-needed community-wide coalition to address the reproductive health needs of refugees living in the Cairo area, FMRS has recently established a working group, under the supervision of Research Scholar, Dr. Alison Bichard, intended to initiate the scheme.

A workshop held in May 2001, bringing together social scientists, physicians and health-care workers as well as NGO representatives, identified the development of a clinically applicable research agenda to address gaps in the theoretical understanding of reproduction and reproductive health in urban refugee populations and the formulation of a framework for the structuring of viable policies in this field as the two principle priorities for the project. Given the diversity of origins represented by Cairo's urban refugee population, particular attention is also being directed towards the complex cultural dimensions inherent in the provision of clinical reproductive health services to these communities.

### Short Courses

Following the success of last year's short courses, FMRS has this year substantially broadened the scope of its program to include courses aimed at refugees, NGO staff, and the general public as well as students.

- **'Identity, Ethnicity and the New Racism'** by Dr. Eftihia Voutira (Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia) was offered again in January 2002. Adopting an anthropological approach, this course introduced participants to the current academic debates on nationalism, regionalism, and ethnicity as key determinants of group identity and belonging, at both global and local levels, in the context of forced migration. The course was attended by 34 participants, representing nationals of Burundi, Egypt, Eritrea, Finland, Jordan, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Somalia, UK, and USA
- **'Refugee and Human Rights Law'** taught by Dr. Sharryn Aiken of the Refugee Studies Centre, York University, in July 2001, will continue to be offered each year from 2002-4. This course is designed to provide participants with instruction in the application of human rights law in determining refugee status, examination of inclusion, exclusion and cessation clauses, interviewing techniques, credibility assessment as well as the psychological dimensions of the refugee experience. Eighty four people participated in the course, coming from Georgia, Holland, Kosovo, Pakistan, Sudan, and Syria
- **'Adapting to a New Environment: The Challenge of Refugee Women'** initiated by Ma'an, a local NGO and organized in collaboration with FMRS, this course was aimed at providing skills training for Sudanese and Somali women refugees living in Cairo. Over thirty-five women were given training in home health care, first aid and special needs teaching. Held in August 2001, it is to be offered again in August 2002
- **'History, Politics and Society of North-East Africa'** held in May, was conducted by Dr. Gerard Prunier, providing country-of-origin information to Legal Aid Project staff, UNHCR Protection Officers and others responsible for the assistance of refugees from North-East Africa, intended to enable them to better understand the circumstances that have forced people from these countries to flee to Egypt. The course was attended by over one hundred representatives from UNHCR, Legal Aid Project, Egyptian Organisation for Human Rights, local NGOs working with refugees, UNDP, FAO, WFP, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as well as local press and refugee communities

### Wednesday Evening Seminar Series

Serving as a valuable interface between the public and the FMRS program, the weekly seminar series brought lecturers from institutions and organizations worldwide attracting considerable interest from students, refugees, and general public alike.

*'The Refugee Elections in Bosnia-Herzegovina in 1996'*

Mr. Mauro De Lorenzo, D. Phil. Candidate, Dept. of Anthropology, University of Oxford

*'Afghani Refugees and Internally Displaced People: A View from the Field'*

Dr. Ahmed A. Abdel Rahman, Project Manager, Healthnet International, Peshawar, Pakistan

*'Conditions of Palestinian Refugees in the Middle East'*

Mr. Aage A. Tiltnes, Regional Representative, FAFO, Norwegian Institute for Applied International Studies

*'Research among Tibetan Refugees in Northern India'*

Dr. Nancy Peterson, Associate Prof. of Psychology, AUC

*'Displaced Persons in Kurdistan'*

Ms. Nasreen Sideek, Minister of Reconstruction and Development, Kurdistan Regional Government, Erbil, Iraq

*'Housing Demolition and Resettlement in Cairo'*

Mr. David Sims, Participatory Urban Development and Resettlement, Mansheit Nasser Project, GTZ

*'Whistling by the Graveyard: 10 Years of Kurdish Self-Governing in Iraq'*

Ms. Maggy Zanger, Lecturer, Dept. of Journalism and Mass Communication, AUC

*'Dislocated Identity and the Fragmented Body: Illness Narratives and Medical Encounters Among Southern Sudanese Refugees in Cairo'*

Dr. Liz Coker, Assistant Prof. of Psychology, AUC

*'Palestinians in Egypt'*

Ms. Oroub Al-Abed, Research Associate, FMRS, AUC

*'The Arab Human Rights Movement: Principles, Politics and Money in a Global Context'*

Mr. Fateh Azzam, Program Officer, Human Rights and International Cooperation, The Ford Foundation

*'Legal Assistance to Asylum Seekers and Refugees'*

Mr. Mike Kagan, International Human Rights Lawyer

*'International Solidarity and Palestine: A Day-to-Day Account of Non-Violent Action in December 2001'*

Ms. Leslie Whiting, Member of the International Solidarity Movement

*'Daily Life in Northern Uganda's Protected Villages for IDP's'*

Mr. Chris Dolan, ACCORD, UK

*'Reading the Ruins: Making Sense of the Algerian Catastrophe'*

Dr. Hugh Roberts, Senior Research Fellow, Development Studies Institute, London School of Economics

*'Delivering Human Rights: Refugee Education in Cairo'*

Ms. Esther Dingemans, University of Amsterdam

*'Delivering Human Rights: Building Human Rights Awareness Among Women Refugees'*

Dr. Magda Ali, Director of Ma'an Centre

*'Prisoners and Their Families in Egypt'*

Mr. Mohamed Zarei, Director, and Ilab Sallam, The Human Rights Center for the Assistance of Prisoners

*'Effective Orientation as a Critical Component in the Integration of Resettled Refugees'*

Pindie Stephen, International Organization for Migration, Nairobi, Kenya

*'The Encamped Palestinians in Lebanon'*

Sohail El Natour, Chief Editor, Alhoriah Newspaper

*'Nutrition in National Development: Problems and Prospects'*

Prof. Jeya Henry, School of Biological and Molecular Sciences, Oxford Brookes University

*'Resettlement Policy: A Panel Discussion'*

Mr. Timothy Gorham, Canadian Embassy  
Ms. Deanna Abdeen, American Embassy  
Ms. Mary-Anne Illidge, Australian Embassy

*'Canada's Resettlement Policy'*

Mr. Timothy Gorham, First Secretary of Immigration, Canadian Embassy

*'Delivering Human Rights to Domestic Workers who are the Victims of Violence'*

Ms. Azza Soliman Hashim, Director, Center for Egyptian Women's Legal Assistance

*'Delivering Human Rights to Refugees: Health Services'*

Dr. Keith Russell, Medical Director, Joint Relief Ministry, All Saints Anglican Cathedral

*'Monitoring Refugee Protection: The Work of the Sudan Human Rights Association in Uganda'*

Mr. Charles Mubbale, Director, Sudan Human Rights Organization, Uganda

*'Resettling Lebanon's Internally Displaced'*

Ms. Naila Naphaul, Ph.D. candidate, University of Oxford

**DOCUMENTARY SERIES**

*As part of the weekly seminar program, FMRS has shown a series of documentaries addressing worldwide issues of forced migration and humanitarian aid.*

- **'The Hunger Business'** – a critical assessment of humanitarian aid – Biafra to Rwanda – and its questionable role in saving lives in a war situation
- **'El Norte'** – a feature film recounting the experiences of refugees from Guatemala entering the USA
- **'Exodus'** – Rwandan refugee experiences in Tanzania
- **'The Heart of Darkness'** – a five part series documenting the war in Eastern Congo, Ted Koppel, Producer, ABC News Nightline

**Other Events**

**PALESTINIAN FILM WEEK**

*In response to recent events in Israel and the Palestinian territories and in support of the continuing Palestinian struggle for their homeland, from 7-11 April 2002 FMRS held a Palestinian Film Week presenting a series of documentaries exploring the history, dispossession, and on-going struggle for survival of the Palestinian people.*

**Festival Commemorating World Refugee Day**

This June, in collaboration with Cairo's Refugee Communities, FMRS, AUC, St Andrew's Church, All Saint's Cathedral and the Mussa'deen, FMRS student Christy Ferguson and Legal Aid volunteer Javeria Rizvi organized a festival day, held in the grounds of AUC, to commemorate World Refugee Day. Attracting refugees, students, journalists, UNHCR staff, and general public alike, the festival created a vibrant and dynamic forum for the celebration of the Arts, Crafts, Music, and Cuisine of the numerous and diverse refugee communities living in Cairo.

Playing to over 300 people, the festival performers captivated their audience throughout the afternoon with music, drama, dances and ceremonies from throughout the Horn of Africa. Members of all ages from the Palestinian, Liberian, Sierra Leonean, Somali, Ethiopian, Eritrean,

Rwandan, Burundian, and Sudanese communities gathered together with students and volunteers to dance and celebrate well into the early evening. To end the night, members of the Palestinian Chorale sang to a capacity audience in AUC's Oriental Hall.

**MEETINGS OF REFUGEE COMMUNITIES**

*A recent extension of FMRS's outreach program has been meetings with particular nationalities of refugees with Vincent Cochetel, Senior Protection Officer, UNHCR. These meetings create a forum for discussion of questions and concerns held by refugees. Meetings have been organized for refugees from Somalia, Sierra Leone, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Yemen and Afghanistan living in Cairo.*

## **FACULTY & STAFF 2001-2002**

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## FACULTY ACTIVITIES

**OROUB AL-ABED** presented a paper as part of the FMRS weekly seminar series assessing the initial findings of her 2-year research project on *Palestinian Livelihoods in Egypt*. A workshop to be held in mid-June will bring together other NGO's involved in similar qualitative studies and discuss the questionnaire to be used during field research. In addition to this, she is currently involved in a 3-year program initiated by CERMOC, entitled *'Boundaries, Migration and Globalization'*. Focusing on the administrative regulations affecting Palestinian refugees in Arab countries, her research is intended to demonstrate the extent to which state bureaucracies and accompanying notions of nation-state, citizenship and hegemony of state are responsible for rendering Palestinian refugees 'stateless'. She also attended a *'Statelessness in the Arab World'* conference (organized by the Shaml Palestinian Diaspora and Refugee Center, Ramallah) held in Ayia Napa (Cyprus), where she presented research gathered on stateless Palestinian refugees from Gaza.

**ELIZABETH COKER** has, with Dr. Anita Fábos, and in conjunction with FMRS, initiated the development of a *Reproductive Health for Urban Refugees* project. Intended to establish a base for the collaborative study of the reproductive (and general) health of urban refugee living in Cairo, it is hoped that the initiative will establish AUC and the FMRS program a leading center of applied research and training in the health care needs of urban refugees. She also presented *'Dislocated Identity and the Fragmented Body: Illness Narratives and Medical Encounters among Southern Sudanese'* at the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association in Washington, D.C. as part of a panel, which she chaired, entitled *'Urban Borderzones: Sudanese Refugees and Forced Migrants in Cairo'*.

**CURITS DOEBBLER** attended a workshop addressing issues of statelessness held in Ayia Napa (Cyprus) from 2-3 November, 2001. The focus of the meeting was directed towards the Palestinian question, the Kurds, the Bidoon of Kuwait, as well as addressing the issue of children born to Egyptian women married to non-Egyptian men. Dr. Doebbler presented a paper entitled *'International Law and Citizenship'*.

**IBRAHIM ELNUR** participated in the border crossing research project, which took place in March in Cairo and subsequently in June, in Beirut. He also attended a workshop entitled *'Peace and Conflicts in Africa,'* as part of the Special Initiative for Africa organized in Maputo, in June 2002.

**ANITA FÁBOS** served as a Director of FMRS since January 2001. In collaboration with Dr. Barbara Harrell-Bond she co-taught the FMRS core courses, *'Introduction to Forced Migration and Refugee Studies,'* and *'Issues in Forced Migration.'* She presented papers this year at the workshop on *'Transnationalism, Gender and Generation: Views from the Middle East and North Africa'* organized by the European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies in Montecatini Terme and Florence (Italy) as well as at a conference on *'Women, Migration and Human Rights'* at the Hassan II University in Casablanca. She also gave a lecture to visiting graduate students from the University of East London entitled *'An Urban 'Borderzone'? Forced Migrants and Social Networks in and out of Cairo'* and, in December 2001, presented *'Gender and Propriety: Educated Sudanese Men and Unemployment in Cairo'* at the Institute of Gender and Women's Studies seminar series, *Masculinities in the MENA region* at AUC. During the 2001 *American Anthropological Association* meetings in Washington, USA, together with Dr. Liz Coker she co-organized a session on *Urban 'Borderzones': Sudanese Refugees And Forced Migrants In Cairo* where she presented a paper entitled *'Of Metaphors And Microbuses: Sudanese Visiting Strategies In Cairo.'* At the conference on *Racism in Metropolitan Areas* at the University of Ghent (Belgium), she presented a paper entitled *'Cosmopolitan Racism? Nationalism, Refugees and Integration in Cairo.'* She continued her research on a project entitled *'Egyptian Perceptions of Forced Migrants in Cairo: National Identity and Hosting the 'Other.'* In addition, she researches race and racism in Cairo regarding refugees from Africa from the perspective of urban studies.

**BARBARA HARRELL-BOND** conducted a week-long training program on Refugee Studies held in Tehran in December 2001 and organized by the Tehran University in partnership with the Iran NGOs Initiative and the Organization for the Defense of the Victims of Violence. She gave the Michael S. Dukakis lecture at the American College of Thessaloniki entitled *'The Evolution of Solutions for Refugees'* and, in May 2002, presented *'The Crisis of Asylum Seeking in the Middle East with Specific Reference to Egypt'* to the Department of Socio-legal Studies at Wolfson College, University of Oxford (UK). In November, 2001, she attended a lecture given by Professor Harold Kohl, Yale University, for the annual Harrell-Bond Human Rights Lecture, established in her name at the University of Oxford. A member of the International Advisory Panel to the UNESCO UNITWIN Network on Forced Migration, she recently attended and chaired at the UNESCO UNITWIN *'Women, Migration and Human Rights'* conference held at Hassan II University in Casablanca. She also presented *'Cultural Diversity: Definitions and Dangers'* at the Euro Mediterranean Partnership's *'Cultural Diversity and Universality of Human Rights'* Regional Seminar, held in Rabat and organized by the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) in partnership with the Moroccan Association for Human Rights (AMDH) and the Moroccan Organization for Human Rights (OMDH), and with the support of the European Commission. In February, she gave a lecture on refugees at the Department of Political Science, Cairo University. She continues to advise at FMRS and supervises the FMRS/EOHR Legal Aid Project.

**MIKE KAGAN** taught a course on *'Practicum in Refugee Status Determination'* for the department of Political Science at AUC. He continues to supervise the provision of legal assistance at both the Egyptian Organisation for Human Rights (EOHR) and the Mussa'deen refugee self-help group. He also attended a conference on *'Women, Migration and Human Rights'* at Hassan II University in Casablanca (Morocco) where, as part of the UNESCO UNITWIN initiative, he lectured on special topics in Refugee Law.

**NANCY PETERSON** taught the FMRS course, *'Psychosocial Issues in Forced Migration'* and served as co-chair of the FMRS Joint Steering Committee. In March, she traveled to Baku, Azerbaijan, where she taught a 5-day short course entitled *'Psychotherapy of Trauma Survivors.'* She also met with local NGO staff and toured a refugee camp with an active psychosocial program for children and families. In May, Dr. Peterson traveled to Casablanca, Morocco, where she held a seminar on psychosocial issues in forced migration for law students. With Esther Dingemans, she is writing on educational and psychosocial needs of Sudanese refugee children living in Cairo.

**MARTHA PLETTNER** continues to serve as FMRS Library liaison. With the launch of the Forced Migration Portal expected in November 2002, she has made regular visits Oxford, most recently attending a meeting for the Portal Planning team held in November 2001 to discuss website design and cataloging strategies.

**MAGGY ZANGER** has, this spring, been responsible for the development and teaching of a new graduate 'special topics' course on *'Media Coverage of International Humanitarian Crises'*. The multi-disciplinary class was designed to be taken as part of the Forced Migration and Refugee Studies Diploma Program, is also available to students of journalism, political science, Middle East Studies and anthropology. In Fall 2001 she conducted a lecture and slide show *'Whistling by the Graveyard: 10 Years of Kurdish Self-Governing in Iraq'* on her AUC research and coordinated the visit of Nasreen Sadeek, Minister of Reconstruction, Iraqi Kurdistan, to lecture at FMRS. She was also invited to assist in a week-long training workshop for Iraqi journalists held in Paris (sponsored by the Human Rights Alliance) and has recently had her paper *'From Kalashnikov to Keyboard: The Development of the Iraqi Kurdish Media'* accepted by the Middle East Studies Association for the November 2002 annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

**'STATELESSNESS IN THE ARAB WORLD' REGIONAL WORKSHOP, AYA NAPA, CYPRUS**

*Held in November 2001 and attended by Ms. Oroub Al-Abed (Research Associate, FMRS and Adjunct Instructor, Department of Political Science, AUC), Drs. Curtis Doebbler (Distinguished Lecturer of Political Science and Public International Law, AUC) and Hayat Alvi (Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, AUC), this workshop formed part of the ongoing research project 'Bidoon: Statelessness in the Arab World'. It provided an opportunity for researchers involved in the project to share their findings on the phenomenon of statelessness within the Arab region. Organized by the Palestinian Diaspora and Refugee Center (SHAML), the workshop principally addressed the Arab East, the Levant, Egypt and Kuwait; with an estimated seven million stateless persons in the region, the issue of statelessness is most critical. With regards to Egypt, special attention was directed towards the issue of children born to Egyptian women married to non-Egyptians who do not enjoy citizenship. Oroub Al-Abed presented research on the 'statelessness' of Palestinians from Gaza, Dr. Doebbler presented a paper on 'International Law and Citizenship, while Dr. Alvi assessed 'The Political Strategy of the Palestinian Authority in the Peace Process'.*

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## LOOKING AHEAD

- **JULY 2002 -‘Refugee and Human Rights Law’**, Dr. Sharryn Aiken’s short course held in July 2001 is to be offered again in July 2002. Next year the course will be for advanced students and limited to some 30 participants
- **NOVEMBER 2002** – Official launch of the **Forced Migration Portal Project**, initiated by the University of Oxford’s *Refugee Studies Centre* and designed to provide a comprehensive electronic information system for refugee and forced migration studies. FMRS continues to actively contribute to the development of this project
- **JANUARY 2003 - Ethics in Humanitarian Emergencies**, a course taught by Dr. Eftixia Voutira and Mr. Nick Stockton
- **JANUARY 2003 – Seminar for Judges from Arab Countries on Refugee and Human Rights Law**, in collaboration with the *Centre for the Independence of the Judiciary and the Legal Profession* and the *International Association of Refugee Law Judges* FMRS will be hosting a seminar aimed at bringing together refugee law judges from member countries of the Arab League
- **APRIL 2003 - ‘Challenges of Integration’**, a course to be taught by Dr. Mark Grey, an anthropologist with particular experience of refugee integration into urban communities
- **SPRING 2003 - ‘Refugees in the Arab League States’**, conference on refugee related issues, legal frameworks, and cooperation in the Arab League states
- **Urban Refugee Methodology Workshop** - In accordance with its specialized focus on refugees in urban areas, FMRS is planning a workshop exploring and assessing methods for studying these populations. Researchers from the Middle East, East, South, and West Africa together with representatives of the Universities of East London and Oxford are to be invited
- **OAU Convention Jurisprudence Workshop** - FMRS, in collaboration with other interested organizations, plans to hold a workshop bringing together legal scholars on African jurisprudence to discuss the 1969 OAU Convention Governing the Specific Aspects of Refugee Problems in Africa