



Afghan Relocation Private Charter Questions

If you are planning to charter aircraft in an effort to help Afghans get to a third country, please use this list of questions to ensure you have a complete plan.

- Who is the POC in the country who will be authorizing this – name, position, contact, address?
- Who are all the designees in all of the supporting organizations (same as above)?
- Who holds the written permission/MOU?
- Who in this country's government has authorized landing permissions?
 - Are they the most powerful player? If not, have you spoken to the most powerful player and gotten them to agree?
 - Which airline?
 - Who will authorize flights out should that become necessary?
- How is this all going to be funded - beginning to end?
- What is the benefit for the receiving country?
- What requirements has the receiving country promulgated (i.e. biometrics, quarantine, vax, visa)?
 - What requirements do other countries need, should pax move onwards?
 - How much extra time will this take and has it been factored in?
 - Have you made contingency plans for emergencies?
- What plans have been made to prevent guests from ending up as wards of UNHCR/UNHCR liaison in the receiving country?
 - Is UNHCR even present in the country should folks not pass vetting or lose their legal pathway?
 - Does this country have an asylum or refugee process?
- What security precautions to protect women, children and other vulnerable populations are being implemented to prevent trafficking and other types of exploitation?
 - What security precautions are being taken in general?
 - If you plan to have people in a contained area for a long time, who are you partnering with on countering violent extremism (CVE) as discontent grows?

- Will people be able to work and if not, who will be their benefactor?
- Will people be able to take commercial flights if another pathway becomes available to them?
- Are US personnel in the country (embassy) going to process Afghan transfers of applications and process them through?
 - If folks have other legal pathways via other countries, have you notified these embassies that they will need processing?
 - Does the IOM country mission need to be notified?
 - Is there an IOM country mission?
 - Is the U.S. embassy an immigrant visa processing post or do you have to go to another country for visa interviews?
 - If not, what are the costs for visas to go to the nearest immigrant visa processing post?
 - Is the length of your visa adequate time to process a case?
 - When are the next available appointments to accept your case(s) for immigrant visa processing?
- What is the capacity for support?
 - Who will provide the support staff?
 - If an NGO, how many staff are required?
 - What type of staff are required?
 - Do you KNOW they will show up or are you counting on volunteers?
 - How will this be sustained as time goes on?
- What is the cost per pax per 6 mo or per year?
 - Who are the donors?
 - How is this going to be covered from start to finish?
- What are the conditions for living, medical, and religious support?
- What is the specific process of moving them on if they aren't being resettled?
- What is the specific process of keeping those who slip through the cracks (ie: do not pass vetting, do not have a viable pathway, fail a security check, newborns) safe?
- Does the country have another pipeline that will be 'disrupted' should this setup take place?
- Are there any regional and cultural factors that need to be assessed in the receiving country that will affect certain members of a special or vulnerable population? (i.e: what is the sentiment towards LGBTQI+ in the receiving country, religious considerations, etc.)