

7 November 2003

Mr Mick Keelty Commissioner Australian Federal Police PO Box 401 Canberra City ACT 2601

Dear Commissioner:

## **Re: Names of the deceased persons from SIEV-X**

The Network for International Protection of Refugees is a South Australian based independent human rights organisation. We call upon the Australian Federal Police (AFP) to release the full (or) partial list of the deceased persons of October 2001 from the sinking of the vessel, SIEV–X, within international waters. We note that the Australian Federal Police is in possession of this list.

Our network also wishes to assure you that we are requesting the list of the deceased persons only on the grounds that the Australian Federal Police is in possession of such a list. By requesting the list from the AFP, we are not, a priori, assuming nor will we be trying to implicate that Australia is responsible for the sinking of that vessel. We are requesting this information in order to officially establish for certain positive number of persons who died in the sinking of the abovementioned vessel.

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation in this matter.

Yours respectfully,

(EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE) Network for International Protection of Refugees

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1. Hon. Chris Ellisson, Federal Minister for Justice, Australia.

2. Ruud Lubber, High Commissioner, UNHCR, Switzerland.

<u>ABOVE:</u> NETIPR'S LETTER TO COMMISSIONER MICK KEELTY TO RELEASE THE NAMES OF SIEV-X VICTIMS. PLEASE ADD YOUR VOICE BY SENDING LETTER/PETITION TO THE COMMISSIONER. GENERIC PETITION FORM ENCLOSED. --WITH WARM REGARDS, U NE OO.

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On October 19th 2001, 353 people perished at sea on the voyage that has since become known as SIEVX. Two years later and the Australian public is still waiting for the release of the names of those 146 children, 142 women and 65 men who drowned. I believe these victims deserve respect and our humanity. I undersigned appeal to you to release the names of those who died in the SIEVX tragedy immediately.

## **PETITION TO RELEASE NAMES OF SIEVX VICTIMS**

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