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Political Refugees: Social Conditions, Health and Psychological Characteristics

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Nova Science Publishers Inc. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Political Refugees: Social Conditions, Health and Psychological Characteristics, Monica K. Zimmermann, A refugee is a person who, "owing to a well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group, or political opinion, is outside the country of their nationality, and is unable to or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail him/herself of the protection of that country" (according to the 1951 United Nations Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees). The concept of a refugee was expanded by the Conventions' 1967 Protocol and by regional conventions in Africa and Latin America to include persons who had fled war or other violence in their home country. A person who is seeking to be recognised as a refugee is an asylum seeker. In the United States a recognised asylum seeker is known as an asylee. Refugee was defined as a legal group in response to the large numbers of people fleeing Eastern Europe following World War II. The lead international agency co-ordinating refugee protection is the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), which counted 28.4 million refugees world-wide at...



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