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# 90 days after the hunger strike: Where is Norwegian refugee policy heading? – the Afghan example

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**Conference 30. October 2006 – Nobel Peace Centre 10.00- 16.00.**

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By the end of the hunger strike, the Afghan Refugee Committee (ARC) stated that a conference would be arranged within 90 days to assess the process and the current situation for the Afghan refugees. It is time to take a critical look at the way in which the Norwegian authorities have been handling the Afghan refugee cases after the hunger strike was finished, and at the direction in which Norwegian asylum policy is heading: Is it humanitarian, as promised by the government Soria Moria declaration?

ARC has invited its collaborating partners to assist in organising the conference (please see list below), and will invite the involved parties, researchers, politicians, organisations etc to say something about the process surrounding the hunger strike, the situation in Afghanistan, and, above all, Norwegian asylum- and refugee policies in general. We will issue a more detailed programme as soon as it is ready.

The conference will take place on 30 October at the Nobel Peace Centre, Vestbanen. Registration will take place from 9.30 onwards, and the programme will run from 10.00 to 16.00. Deadline for registration is 20. October – register on [www.90dager.net](http://www.90dager.net).

We hope to see those from your organisation/division/party with an interest in these issues there!

Best regards,  
The Afghan Refugee Committee

### Collaborating organizations:

- Amnesty International Norge
- Blitz
- Kirkens Bymisjon
- Mellomkirkelig Råd
- Nettverk mot Statlig Rasisme
- NOAS
- Norsk Folkehjelp
- SOS Rasisme
- The support network for Afghan refugees