

# THE QUOTA

A DRAMA GAME BY DANIEL STEINBACH



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## TOPICS

Asylum, dilemma,  
democratic decision-making processes

## CHARAKTERS

Everybody is playing himself.

## ROOM

The Game is played best in a small conference room, e.g. around a round table, that is rather small to establish dialogues.

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## GAME STRUCTURE

The game starts with a short introduction text:

„The federal government has created a new law where citizens can be used similarly to jurymen as decision-makers in the asylum procedure.

Today you are selected to decide on twelve new asylum seekers. The quota indicates that due to lack of asylum places only five out of the twelve candidates can be accepted. There are too few jobs opportunities, there is housing shortage and not enough money for welfare payments.

These are the asylum application forms. You have one hour to make your decisions. Decisions must be made by majority vote.“

The game master leaves the room for one hour. He then asks the players to name the five persons who are granted asylum.

Afterwards, the game master tells what has happened to those who weren't granted asylum (in retrospective - Overview at last page).



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 1	For official use only	
Home country Syria		
Current Age 22		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 0		
Profession Locksmith		
Health condition Twisted spine, chronic back pain		
Flight history A smuggler brought him to Lebanon, where he asked for asylum at the German Embassy.		
Resume He grew up in poverty. His parents were killed in the war.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 2	For official use only	
Home country Iraq		
Current Age 45		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 4		
Profession Soldier		
Health condition Was wounded 3 times during war.		
Flight history He refused to fight against ISIS and fled to Turkey over the Iraqi-Kurdish border and then to Germany in order to ask for asylum there. His family is still in Iraq.		
Resume Served the Iraqi Army under Saddam Hussein. When the United States conquered Iraq, he was wounded and laid down his weapon. He was discharged from the army. However, during the attacks of ISIS on Mosul, he was re-accepted in the army.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 3	For official use only	
Home country Afghanistan		
Current Age 15		
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 0		
Profession None		
Health condition Physically healthy, but with strong mental problems		
Flight history By chance, she was picked up by smugglers who brought her to Pakistan for free. From Pakistan, she finally came to India and from there to Hamburg with a container ship. She paid her trip with sexual services.		
Resume As a child in war times, she was frequently abused and raped by different groups. Finally, they wanted to sell her.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 4	For official use only	
Home country Ghana		
Current Age 45		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 1		
Profession Car Mechanic		
Health condition healthy		
Flight history He got a fake passport and came to Germany via plane. He left his wife and child in Ghana to send them money from Germany.		
Resume He worked in a car garage in Ghana. As there wasn't enough work for all, he was fired.		



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Identify No. 5	For official use only	
Home country Indonesia		
Current Age 27		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 3		
Profession Driver		
Health condition healthy		
Flight history A German tourist provided him with a tourist visa for Germany. He didn't leave Germany although the visa got expired.		
Resume He grew up in a small village in Bali. He worked as a private driver and drove tourists to the main tourist attraction sites in order to earn his life.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 6	For official use only	
Home country Kosovo		
Current Age 26		
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 1		
Profession Locksmith		
Health condition Chronic asthma		
Flight history Friends gave her a lift to Germany with the car. Apparently, no proper control at the EU border in Bulgaria did take place.		
Resume She experiences war when she was a child, but grew up normally. The income of her family is lower than the national average.		



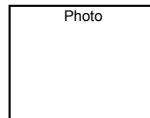
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Identify No. 7	For official use only	
Home country Turkey		
Current Age 69		
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 7		
Profession none		
Health condition Bad health condition, overweight		
Flight history She visited her children with a tourist visa and then stayed in Germany.		
Resume She lived all her live in a small village close to Ankara. All her children left the village with their families and her husband died. She misses her children a lot		



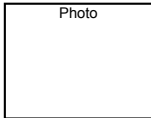
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Identify No. 8	For official use only	
Home country Ukraine		
Current Age 26		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children 0		
Profession IT-Technician		
Health condition Overweight, heavy smoker		
Flight history He crossed the border to Poland illegally in the night and then made his way to Germany.		
Resume He was working in a gas company. Because of the war in Eastern Ukraine, he as a reservist was ordered to join the army. He didn't symphasize with the Ukrainian government and supported the rebels. That's why he deserted.		



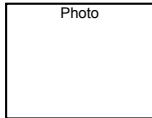
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Identify No. 9		For official use only
Home country Bangladesh		
Current Age 31		
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female	Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)	
Number of children 1		
Profession Seamstress		
Health condition Sick, unable to work due to gout		
Flight history The history of her flight is unknown.		
Resume She grew up under impoverished conditions. She started to work very young like the rest of her family in a big sewing factory for a German brand. Due to the bad working conditions, she founded a union and joined a party that was finally forbidden and members were persecuted.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. 10		For official use only
Home country Ivory Coast		
Current Age 25		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)	
Number of children 0		
Profession Security Guard		
Health condition He got shot in the conflict after the presidential election in 2011.		
Flight history He was picked up by an Italian Coast Guard ship from a capsized refugee boat and was taken to Lampedusa. At time of rescue, half of the people on board already died.		
Resume As security guard, he was working for the President. He always worked very carefully. When French troops intervened in the conflict, he was shot and never employed again ever since.		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. <b>11</b>	For official use only	
Home country <b>Egypt</b>		
Current Age <b>35</b>		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children <b>unknown</b>		
Profession <b>Cook</b>		
Health condition <b>healty</b>		
Flight history <b>He came to Lampedusa in a refugee boat which was organised by smugglers.</b>		
Resume <b>He was member for the Muslim Brotherhood and supported former President Mohammed Mursi. After the military coup and the ban imposed on them, he was persecuted.</b>		



# Application for Asylum



Identify No. <b>12</b>	For official use only	
Home country <b>Nigeria</b>		
Current Age <b>17</b>		
Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Marital status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Widow(er) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)
Number of children <b>unknown</b>		
Profession <b>none</b>		
Health condition <b>Physically healthy, but severely traumatized</b>		
Flight history <b>He crossed the Sahara by foot and with a mini van and finally arrived in Melilla, a Spanish enclave in North Africa. He climbed over the fence to Spain and from there went on to Germany.</b>		
Resume <b>He had to fight for Boko Haram as a child soldier. Apparently, he didn't choose freely to fight for the radical Islamists. That's why he deserted.</b>		



*No. 1*

He drowned in the Mediterranean in a further attempt to flee his country

*No 2.*

After the deportation, he was forced to fight IS and was killed in battle.

*No 3.*

She is now earning her living as a prostitute in Pakistan.

*No. 4*

After the deportation, he committed suicide after he poured gasoline/petrol over his wife and child and set them on fire.

*No. 5*

He is driving tourists for sightseeing to the main tourist attractions in Bali. He sees his children only once a year.

*No. 6*

He repeatedly travelled to the EU and applied for asylum in France, Italy, Greece, Sweden, Denmark and the Netherlands without success.

*No. 7*

He died in the plane during deportation.

*No. 8*

He fled to Russia. He is working again in the IT sector.

*NR. 9*

She has been arrested at the airport in Bangladesh. She will spend 10 years of her life in prison.

*No. 10*

After being deported to Ivory Coast, he has been arrested by the security forces of the new president. He will stay in prison for 12 years.

*No. 11*

He has been arrested after returning to Egypt and was taken to an unknown location. No one knows where he is or how his health condition is.

*No. 12*

He was beheaded by members of Boko Haram during an attack on his village.