

FROM THE FOREIGNER LAW TO THE IMMIGRATION LAW?



1955/61 – 1973 recruiting of "Guest Workers" into the Federal Republic of Germany	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• "The empire German police regulation" is overtaken in greater parts• 1965 Foreigner law
1973 – 1980 1st reuniting of families phase	
1980 – 1990 settling down phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1990: New foreigner law• 1983: Return support law
1990 – 2000 2nd reuniting of families phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2000: New Citizenship Law
2000 – 2005 Phase of consolidation/reorientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2005: Immigration law• 2007: Changes of the immigration law

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Principles of the German immigration legislation:

- Germany is not an immigration country
- Immigrants/Foreigners are potential interferers of the society
- Immigrants/Foreigners are endangering potential for the inner safety
- Immigrants/Foreigners are producing problems
- Naturalisation is generally not wanted

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Changes 2007

1) Reuniting of families:

- Rise of the age for children from 16 to 18 years
- Simple German knowledge for wives/husbands before getting a visa
- No visa for the family reunion when the one living in Germany receives social aid (even for German nationals)

2) Integration courses:

- Fine up to € 1,000 by no participation
- Threat of not prolonging the living permission or expulsion from Germany

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3) Citizenship law:

- Resident since 8 years in Germany
- Considerable interests of the Federal Republic of Germany, particularly such the outer or inner safety as well as the international relations should not be disturbed
- Sufficient knowledge of the German language (test)
- knowledge of the system of laws and social structure and the living conditions in Germany (test)
- No unemployment – not receiving social aid
- No dual citizenship
- Charges: 500 €

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Demands I – Federal Republic of Germany:

- The politics must accept that the Federal Republic of Germany has become an immigration country and approx. 15 million people with migration background live here
- The integration performances and successes must be appreciated
- The politics must stop introducing broader restrictions and sanctions
- Aim of the integration politics must be recognition and support of the cultural variety, equal rights and equal opportunities

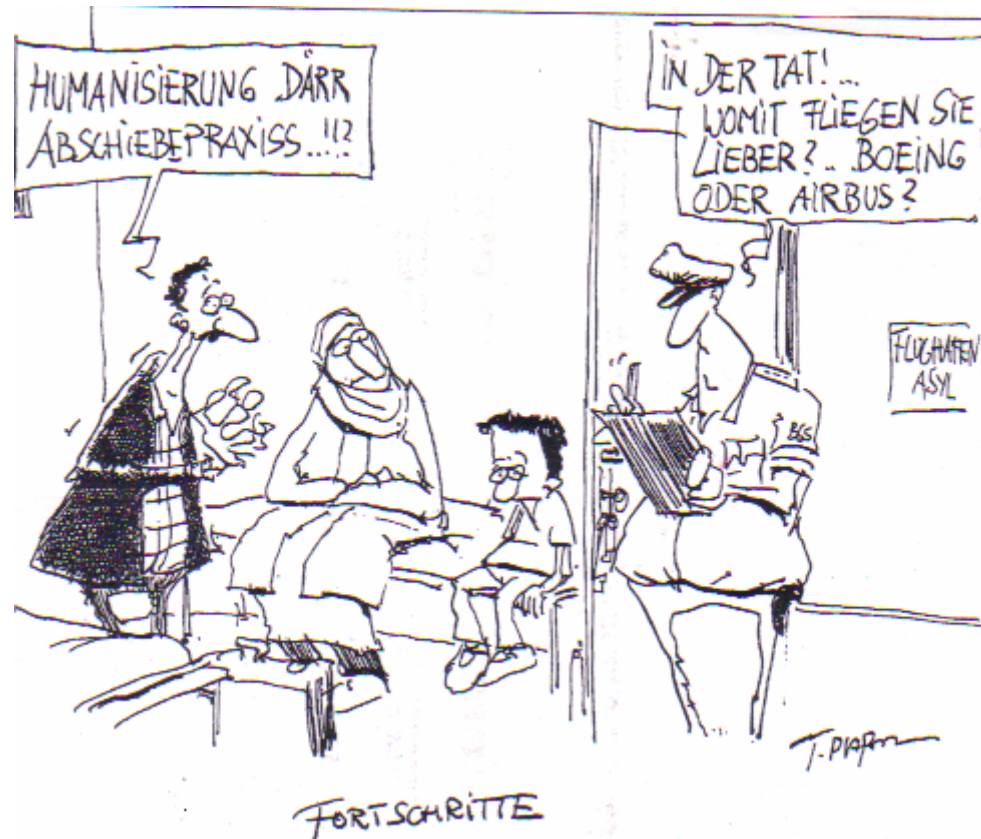
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Demands II - EU:

- The EU should have an central immigration and integration policy
- People from third countries must get equal rights with EU-Citizens
- Aim of the integration politics must be recognition and support of the cultural variety, equal rights and equal opportunities:
 - No isolation of the outer borders
 - EU citizenship for all
 - Dual (multiple) citizenship
 - Multilingualism
 - Implementation of positive measures in public administration

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Humanization of the expulsion? – Indeed, do you prefer Boeing or Airbus?