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1 The meaning of the term 'asylum' is rarely illustrated. It is derived from the Greek word *asylon*, which means literally something not subject to seizure or freedom from seizure. In 1950, the Institut de Droit international defined the term 'asylum' as the protection, which a State offers to an individual within its territory or in another relevant territory subject to certain of its organs who seek such protection (Institut de Droit international 'L'asile en droit international public [à l'exclusion de l'asile neutre]' (11 September 1950)). 2
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