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**Update on the discontinuation of the use of *bin* and *binti*
on UNHCR issued documentation**

On 1 August 2019, UNHCR issued a community message on its policy to discontinue the use of *bin* and *binti* on UNHCR documentation for Muslim Persons of Concern from Myanmar.

Following an internal review of this policy and in consultation with the Government of Malaysia, the Office will continue to cease the use of the terms *bin* and *binti* on UNHCR documentation, however will retain the name of the father on UNHCR documentation.

This practice has taken effect since 16 September 2019.

Individuals who approached UNHCR between 2 August 2019 and 15 September 2019 and have had their father's name removed from their UNHCR documentation will be contacted by UNHCR in early 2020 to have their documentation changed accordingly to include the father's name.

Thank you for your kind attention.

**UNHCR Representation in Kuala Lumpur
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