**How to Corroborate a Newspaper Article**

1. Attempt to find the article on the newspaper’s website
	1. Check to see if the website is listed in the newspaper and search for the article on the website
	2. If no website is listed, Google the name of the paper to try to find the website.
	3. The following websites list newspapers from around the world:
		1. <http://www.loc.gov/rr/news/fncr.html>
		2. <http://www.onlinenewspapers.com/>
		3. <http://allafrica.com/>
		4. <http://www.world-newspapers.com/>
		5. <http://www.abyznewslinks.com>
		6. <http://www.w3newspapers.com>
		7. <http://en.wkipedia.org/wiki/List_of_newspapers>
		8. http://www.ipl.org/div/news/
	4. I’ve seen some news sites that list all the articles they’ve published by date. Sometimes, an article will not appear when I search it but I am able to scroll down to the date it was published and find it there.
2. If you are not able to find the article on the newspaper’s website, try Googling the article’s title or text from the article itself.
	1. You may find the article was published in another paper or posted on another site.
3. Request information from the Library of Congress.
	1. http://www.loc.gov/rr/askalib/ask-news.html
4. Attempt to find contact information for the editor of the paper or the author of the article.
	1. **\*\*\*Check with Deepinder first before contacting anyone in the home country asking about the article.** If word gets out that we are searching for the article, people may know the client is in the U.S. applying for asylum. **This is sensitive information that we cannot release without the client’s permission and releasing it could put the client at great risk if the information fell into the wrong hands.**
	2. Newspapers often list phone numbers or email addresses for contacting newspaper staff.
	3. Alternatively, Google the name of the author or editor of the paper to find contact information. Sometimes, contact information is listed on Facebook or Linked In. I once found the text of an entire article posted on the reporter’s Facebook page.
	4. If you are able to find contact information, call or email to ask them to send a copy of the article to you. If they are not able to send the article, see if they are able to send a signed letter attesting to the article’s existence.
5. If you are still unable to find the article, try to find contact information for other people who could help you find it or corroborate its existence.
	1. Try to contact other journalists in the country. I was once able to corroborate an article by contacting the president of an association of independent journalists.
	2. Try contacting libraries or universities in the country.

\*\*\*Important note: When contacting people asking about the article, **do not** **tell them it is for our client or for an asylum case.** Not only does this violate attorney-client privilege, but it could also put our client in danger.