Dear applicant,

In reference to your <e-mail><letter> dated <XX.XX.XXX>, the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration (UDI) would like to inform you that your request will not be processed as an application for international protection in Norway. Norwegian authorities require that an application contains a person's full identity (full name, date of birth, nationality) and address. In this case, we do not have your full identity and cannot process the request.

UDI would also like to inform you that according to the Norwegian Immigration Act Section 28 an alien has to be present within or at the border of the Norwegian Kingdom to apply for international protection. A person who is not within or at the Norwegian border is not entitled to be recognized as a refugee in Norway pursuant to the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees Article 1 A.

If you are in a foreign country, you can apply for protection in that country by submitting an application with the national authorities or with UNHCR. If you are unsure who is responsible for receiving your application for protection in the foreign country, you can find more information on the UNHCR HELP pages: https://help.unhcr.org/

Currently, Norway receives a limited number of refugees annually and usually in cooperation with the UNHCR. This is, however, a limited solution for refugees who meet very specific criteria. Please note that an application through the UNHCR does not automatically result in an entry permit to Norway. Each case will be considered according to the criteria for selection of refugees under the annual refugee quota.

Contact your local UNHCR office for more information

If you have further questions regarding residence permits in Norway, please use the following link to find UDI's fact sheets (several languages): http://www.udi.no/en/want-to-apply