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196 Refugees Leave U.S. For Resettling in Canada

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Nearly 200 Vietnamese refugees were flown from two United States relocation centers yesterday to new lives in Canada, according to The Associated Press.

Thirty-five refugees were picked up by an Air Canada jetliner at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida and 161 from a center at Fort Chaffee, Ark., joined them during a stopover of the Montreal-bound flight at Little Rock, Ark.

Murray Oppertshouser of the Canadian Ministry of Manpower and Immigration, who directed the operation, said the 35 persons picked up in Florida would join friends and relatives in Canada.

The others, he said, will be resettled under a program announced Saturday under which Canada agreed to accept 3,000 Vietnamese from United States camps.