

*My heart kept searching for refuge
An imagined space and place
My mind and soul asylum seekers for decades
Seeking asylum in peace and love
I wanted to be with you Angelic Angelina
I wanted to be with you mighty Marj
Gatekeepers of life refugees
Goal scorers of asylum seekers
Therapists of souls and hearts tormented
Restorers of human rights and humanity*

*The journey to peace and prosperity so tiring
They gave me all stay but I could not stay
They gave me work permit but I could not work
They gave me freedom but I could not be free
They gave me freedom of speech but I could not speak
All freedoms I was given got stuck, spanners on my path
All freedoms I got contaminated, it all got stinking
All rights I had were turned into wrong
All freedoms were not free*

*Until you showed me other women with nothing and none
Until I shared my story and asked for verdict*

*Until I gave my tears all flowing by my cheeks
Until women physically and emotional uprooted cried with me
Until refuge women took my story and made it theirs
Until I took stories of refuge women and made them mine
Until refuge became a sister to sister
Until refuge became sharing hope
Until refuge became an engaged mind
Until positive refuge became a positive mind
Until a positive mind became refuge
I would wonder the mind and soul*

*I got my freedoms free here and now
I got refugee status in my mind and body
I got my asylum, oops all pain gone
It was there on paper, I could read
Only words but not refuge
But needed it in my heart and soul
I found refuge in other women
My status changed, am emotionally free
Freedom is what I share
To know and to be known
To share a story and keep focus
To be foot solider of change, mine and theirs
Long searched refugee status*

It is here and with me to stay.