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BONN — West Germany has apparently thwarted a bid to rush 27,000 Third World refugees into West Berlin.

A Foreign Ministry official yesterday said the plan had involved moving 600 busloads of asylum-seekers from Turkey to Bulgaria and from there to West Berlin.

Bulgarian and Polish diplomats in Bonn were asked to stem the flow of mostly Iranian refugees in the interest of good relations, the official said.

Bulgarian authorities told Bonn that the first busloads had been turned back at the Turkish frontier and that refugees would not be allowed to cross Bulgarian territory unless they had valid West German entry visas.

Sources said the plan was aimed at bringing the refugees into West Berlin before Oct. 1, when a key route for refugees will be closed.