## "BEING WATCHED BY HUNGARIAN AND GERMAN POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE REST OF THE NIGHT, THE MEN HAD TO WAIT IN THE COLD WITHOUT CLOTHES."

Date and time: December 30, 2017 22:00

Location: Serbian-Hungarian border near Horgoš

Coordinates: 46.17914499196982, 19.974861144978604

Push-back from: Push-back to:

**Demographics:** person(s), age: , from:

Minors involved? Yes

Violence used:

**Police involved:** 3 Hungarian police officers, 1-2 German police officers with several police dogs, some with and some without masks, some Hungarian army officers

Taken to a police station?:

Treatment at police station or other place of detention: Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: No

Reported by: Rigardu

## **ORIGINAL REPORT**

In the evening of December 2017 18 men from Pakistan, minors and 4-5 people with serious illnesses included, went from Serbia across Hungarian border and walked through Hungarian territory. Then, on 30th late in the evening they got stopped by 3 Hungarian male police officers in some "jungle" near the road 80. The police called for several more Hungarian police officers to join them. Some of the police committed violence to all of the men: the officers beat them with hands and sticks and kicked them to all body parts. The men didn't express the wish to seek for asylum. Then the police transported the men back to the Serbian-Hungarian border near Horgoš, Serbia. There were several Hungarian and 1-2 German police officers, who continued the beating and kicking, using harder violence than in the catchment place, so that the men had severe pain also afterwards. Using some police dogs, some with and some without masks, the men got punched and scratched. The men with illnesses showed their medical documents - the man interviewed proved his hepatitis B - and asked the police to stop this treatment regarding to their poor conditions and needs for special care. However, the police officers did not response to the pledges, and continued. The officers also asked if the men speak English, and beat the ones who do speak English even more. After the the use of violence the officers checked their bodies and belongings and asked for property. They searched for money and mobile phones and wrote down the numbers of the sim cards of their phones. Then they told the men to take their clothes off and sit on the ground in the rain. Being watched by Hungarian and German police officers for the rest of the night, the men had to wait in the cold without clothes. They got beaten again by the dogs. Once in a while some Hungarian army personnel passed the place. During their visits the police officers behaved properly but after he left the officers continued the mistreatment. The men asked for water and food but the officers denied. The persons suffering sickness asked again for a different treatment but no answer was given to them. Nobody expressed his intention to seek for asylum. The police let them stay at the place outside in the cold and rain for the rest of the night. At the next morning on the 31th the police ordered the men to go back to Serbia.