## "THE SLOVENIAN POLICE TRANSFERRED THEM DIRECTLY TO THE CROATIAN BORDER POLICE"

**Date and time:** April 14, 2018 02:00 **Location:** Slovenia, border crossing

Coordinates: 45.84525, 15.694777799999997

Push-back from: Push-back to:

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

Minors involved? No

Violence used:

**Police involved:** Slovenian police found them and pushed them back to Croatia, where Croatian police deported them to the Serbo-Croatian border. There Croatian border police treated them violently.

Taken to a police station?:

Treatment at police station or other place of detention: Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Yes

Reported by: No Name Kitchen

## **ORIGINAL REPORT**

Name/s	S.
Nationality	Afghani
Date and time	14.04.2018; 02:00 am
Catchment place	Slovenian border: 45°50'42.9"N 15°41'41.2"E (border crossing)
Deportation place	Train rails between Tovarnik and Sid

(45.147575,19.164551)

Number of people deported 8 Age No minor involved Physical police violence Yes Asylum requested Yes What happened?

- push-back
- denied access to asylum procedures
- physical violence

A group of 8 people from Afghanistan crossed from Serbia to Croatia, and went to the Slovenian border: at the border crossing the Slovenian police found them in the trucks and arrested them.

They asked for asylum in Slovenia but the police responded that that time it wasn't possible to achieve. One police officer told them that they should have walked and in that way that they could have seek for an asylum. Moreover they told them that they didn't want them to enter to Europe. As they were hungry since they hadn't eat for two days the police gave them food and water.

Afterwards the Slovenian police transferred them directly to the Croatian border police. The Croatian police took them to an unknown police station. They stayed there for 3 to 4 hours. They asked also for an asylum in Croatia but the police officer told them it was impossible as the Croatian government "closed the stay". The police took their personal information but didn't give them any paper.

In a white police van they drove them to the border with Serbia, near the trail rails Tovarnik – Sid. The police that drove them to the border left around 1 p.m. and left them with the Croatian border police. Border police told them to stand up one by one. They beat them all. As the interviewed man tried to talk with the police asking them why they are beating them, one police officer stand on his feet and beat him hardly with the stick. The police told them that they had to go back to Serbia and never again try to come to Croatia. And they pushed them back to Serbia.

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