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**Date and time:** March 19, 2019 09:00

**Location:** Border crossing Batrovci / Croatian side

**Coordinates:** 45.04757221833792 , 19.10244131504851

**Demographics:** 2 men from Afghanistan, 16 and 18 years old

**Minors involved?** Yes

**Violence used:** Imprisoning, denying of food and water

**Police involved:** 15-20 Croatian border officers, walking, plus 5-10 Serbian border officers, walking, plus 1 Serbian police van

**Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?:** No

**Reported by:** No Name Kitchen

## Original Report

X is 16 years old, he was with his friend Y, 18 years old. Both are from Afghanistan. They stayed in the squat of Sid, on the old factory Grafosrem.

They went on game on the 19/03 late evening, walked until the Batrovci border, and entered in a Bulgarian truck, parked right before the border.

On the morning, the truck turned on and passed the Serbian scanner. Just after passing the Croatian one, the border police opened the truck and found X and Y. It was around 9 am. The policemen were between 15 and 20. X precise that most of them were very tall, quiet fat, and had shaved hair. There was also a woman on the group. They were speaking with a low level of English. When they found X and Y, they told them “talibans”.

They brought them into a room at the Croatian border side by walk. 6 migrants were there, including X and Y. They made a short interview with each of them, asking for the name, family name, country, signature. When X say that he was 16 years old, the policeman wrote 20.

After 2 hours waiting on this small room, between 5 and 10 Serbian border policemen came by foot and moved them to a similar room but on the Serbian side of the border. Inside the building, there were many little rooms. They put X and Y in one of them for 5-6 hours. They didn't get any food or water during the whole time and had the authorization to use the toilet (located 10m from the room, but outside), only for 1 minute, not more. X talked about a “very dangerous room”, and “no weather room” to explain that there were no windows and no light. They of course didn't get any information about anything while they were detained.

Finally, the police put them in the “prison Serbian van” (see picture) on the direction of Sid. While Sid is located a 20 minutes drive from the Batrovci border, they were 3 hours inside the car. At any point the doors were open, there is no window, and it was very cold because it was night time (around 1 or 2 degrees outside). X and Y were “doing tac tac” for have information about the situation but didn't receive any answer. Finally, the policemen opened the doors. They were in front on the Chinese market of Sid, located at few meters from the police station. Samiullah didn't remember the face

of the policemen, they just tell him to go to a camp in Belgrade.

