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## **"THE INTERVIEWEE WAS BEATEN SO SEVERELY, THAT HE BROKE SOME FINGERS ON HIS RIGHT HAND"**

**Date and time:** December 24, 2017 02:00

**Location:** Near Kelebija, Hungary

**Coordinates:** 46.180593053764 , 19.555664104409516

**Push-back from:** Hungary

**Push-back to:** Serbia

**Demographics:** 10 person(s), age: 20-30 , from: Pakistan

**Minors involved?** No

**Violence used:** beating (with batons/hands/other), kicking, destruction of personal belongings

**Police involved:** Hungarian border police officers (male, both in uniforms and civils), 2-3 Hungarian army personnel with dogs

**Taken to a police station?:** unknown

**Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?:** Yes

**Reported by:** Rigardu

### **ORIGINAL REPORT**

On December 23rd. 2017, 10 men from Pakistan, all about 20-30 years old, walked from Serbia across the Hungarian border. At around 11pm. on the following night of December 24th., they were stopped by several Hungarian border police officers (male, some in uniforms and others in civilian clothes), and 2-3 Hungarian army personnel with dogs and cars in a forest. The men expressed their intention to seek asylum. The police officers searched their bodies and belongings. They checked their money and mobile phones and broke one of them. They interrogated the men, took pictures, wrote down their personal details and asked them to sign the papers. No fingerprints were taken, and no written documents were given to them.

The police proceeded to beat the men, one by one, with hands and stick, and kicking on all parts of their body, for about 10 minutes in total. The interviewee was beaten so severely, that he broke some fingers on his right hand. The men stayed at the place for about 2-3 hours. Afterwards they were transported to the Serbian-Hungarian border near Kelebija Serbia, where they arrived early the following morning. The police ordered the men to go back to Serbia, so the men returned to the Serbian side. When the interviewee managed to go back to Subotica, he still suffered extensive pain and had to visit a hospital there. The fingers were broken, so the doctors put a cast on, which the man had to wear for several weeks.