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Date and time: February 14, 2018 00:00 **Location:** close to Kisszállás, Hungary

Coordinates: 46.252974212572475, 19.56315330175778

Push-back from: Push-back to:

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

Minors involved? No Violence used:

Police involved: Hungarian police officers, Czech army personnel visited and told officers to stop violence

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: Rigardu

ORIGINAL REPORT

In the night of February 14th-15th, 10 men (interviewed one from India, others from Pakistan, no minors involved) walked across Serbian-Hungarian border near Subotica, Serbia. They continued walking through the night in Hungarian territory and then stayed in the woods until the following morning. Subsequently, a group of Hungarian police officers caught the men (close to Kisszállás). At first they committed violence: police officers beat with hands and stick and kicked the men for a while. Then a group of international army personnel (from Czech Republic) arrived to the place and told the police officers to stop the treatment. After the incident the officers let the men stay at the place for about 3-4 hours. The men expressed their intention to seek for asylum. The police officers responded to the expression incompletely: They didn't give the men the opportunity to register for asylum process, but only said that because the men were from Pakistan, they couldn't get asylum, and that Muslims, like these men were, are not welcome in Hungary. The officers wrote down the personal details and took pictures of the men, but they didn't take fingerprints or handed out any written documents. After that, the men were transported to the Serbian-Hungarian border near Subotica to be deported.