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"WHEN THE TWO OF THEM TRIED TO ASK FOR ASYLUM, THE OFFICERS STARTED [...] AND KICKING THEM EVEN STRONGER"

Date and time: January 26, 2019 03:00

Location: Kelebija, Hungary

Coordinates: 46.19414884807157 , 19.619380982457415

Push-back from: Hungary

Push-back to: Serbia

Demographics: 2 person(s), age: 22,23 , from: Afghanistan

Minors involved? No

Violence used: kicking, pushing people to the ground

Police involved: 7 officers with a van

Taken to a police station?: no

Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Yes

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ORIGINAL REPORT

On the night of January, 26, 2019, the two young men crossed the border from Serbia to Hungary, near Kelebija (HUN). They crossed at 1 am, and after walking for one hour through the countryside, they decided to have a rest.

At around 3 am, the Hungarian authorities found them and started kicking them for 20-30 minutes. The two of them tried to ask for asylum, but the officers started insulting them and kicking them even stronger.

Afterwards, the officers took their sleeping bags and coats. Then, they pushed the two of them on the ground into the snow, keeping one foot on their backs to keep them down for approximately one hour.

Later, they had to enter a van and were deported back to Serbia.