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“THE POLICE AND THE JUDGE WARNED HIM THAT IF HE WOULD TRY TO CROSS ONE MORE TIME HE WOULD BE JAILED FOR TWO MONTHS.”

Date and time: February 1, 2018 00:00

Location: Tovarnik, Croatia

Coordinates: 45.1648822 , 19.152205800000047

Push-back from:

Push-back to:

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

Minors involved? No

Violence used:

Police involved: Croatian and Serbian police

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

One man from Afghanistan tried to cross the Serbo-Croatian border hidden in a truck. At the scanner checking on a Croatian side of the border crossing Sid – Tovarnik he was caught by the Croatian police. They were searching the truck for two hours, removing the pieces. When they found him they started to yell at him and they took a picture of him inside the truck.

They didn't let him to take his shoes back from the truck. He asked for asylum but the police was laughing at him saying "Terrorist, terrorist!". He was taken to a small room at the border crossing where the police asked for his personal data filling some forms, and they also took his fingerprints. They didn't give him any of these papers.

After they put him in a police van and turned on the cold air conditioner. He was kept there for 2 hours. Afterwards Croatian police transferred him directly to the Serbian border police. He was without the shoes. Serbian police drove him to the police station in Sid where they were asking him for his shoes commenting "Croatian police crazy!".

There the police was asking him his personal information. He went to a court, where the judge was asking for the reasons why he was intending to cross borders. During the trial the judge didn't give him possibility to pay a fine for an illegal border crossing. He was directly sent to jail in Sremska Mitrovica where he was kept for 10 days (45.0267162,19.5535284). The police and the judge warned him that if he would try to cross one more time he would be jailed for two months.