## "THE VAN STOPPED AND ONE POLICE OFFICER OPENED THE BACK DOOR OF THE VAN AND HIT A MAN WITH A BATON"

Date and time: February 5, 2018 10:00

Location: Dobova, Slovenia

Coordinates: 45.8970349, 15.660114300000032

Push-back from: Croatia
Push-back to: Serbia

Demographics: 3 person(s), age: unknown, from: Algeria

Minors involved? No

Violence used: beating (with batons/hands/other), exposure to air condition and extreme temperature during car ride

Taken to a police station?: unknown

Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Yes

Reported by: No Name Kitchen

## **ORIGINAL REPORT**

Three men from Algeria were caught by the Croatian police at the border crossing Harmica – Dobova. They were hiding in a train, and were caught by 4 police officers in 2 cars. They asked for asylum, and at first the police responded that they would accept their request and that they would be taken to the asylum camp in Zagreb. They were driven to Zagreb in one police van along with an Irani family, whom were also caught at the border. From Zagreb they were transferred to another police van and were taken to the Serbian border.

The police van drove very fast and the police turned on the cold air conditioner during the drive. The men were kicking from the inside and were shouting to the police to turn off the cold air. The van stopped and one police officer opened the back door of the van and hit a man with a baton. Around midnight they were pushed back to Serbia, from Tovarnik to Sid.