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"THE POLICE REFUSED THEM ACCESS TO THE ASYLUM PROCEDURES AND VERBALLY ATTACKED THEM"

Date and time: June 14, 2018 00:00

Location: Rakovec, Slovenia

Coordinates: 45.922627 , 15.70264510000004

Push-back from: Slovenia, Croatia

Push-back to: Bosnia

Demographics: 3 person(s), age: 23, 25, 30 , from: Pakistan

Minors involved? No

Violence used: theft of personal belongings

Police involved: Slovenian border police officers (wearing uniforms), 1 police car (van)

Taken to a police station?: yes

Treatment at police station or other place of detention: fingerprints taken, photos taken, papers signed, no translator present

Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Yes

Reported by: No Name Kitchen

ORIGINAL REPORT

The interviewee and his two friends walked from Velika Kladusa (Bosnia) through Croatia, and from there to Slovenia. Within Slovenian territory, on a road close to the village Rakovec, the group was detected by the Slovenian border police. The police took the men to a police station, where they were interviewed. The interviewee and his friends expressed their intention to seek asylum in Slovenia, but the police refused them access to the asylum procedures and verbally attacked them.

"Police said to us that we could not apply for asylum in Slovenia and told us to go back to Bosnia and apply for asylum there. They [police officers] were telling us: Go back you migrant!"

Afterwards, a police officer took the men's fingerprints, photographed their faces, and made them sign a document in Slovenian language that the men did not understand, as they could not speak Slovenian and the police did not provide them with a translator. The men have not obtained a copy of this document. Police stole their three phones and three power banks. They were hiding their money in a tooth paste, so that the police couldn't find it. In the end, the police drove the men to the Croatian border from where they walked around 30 km back to Velika Kladusa.