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"THEY IMMEDIATELY ARRESTED HIM, DESPITE HIS ASYLUM STATUS AND THE FACT THAT HE WAS STAYING IN THE ASYLUM FACILITY"

Date and time: September 5, 2018 00:00

Location: Ljubljana, Slovenia

Coordinates: 46.054214385285626 , 14.507403457403598

Push-back from: Slovenia, Croatia

Push-back to: Bosnia

Demographics: 1 person(s), age: unknown , from: Afghanistan

Minors involved? No

Violence used: beating (with batons/hands/other)

Police involved: Slovenian Police, 4 Croatian officers in sky blue shirts

Taken to a police station?: yes

Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Yes

Reported by: Balkan Info Van

ORIGINAL REPORT

On August 16th. 2018, a person on the move traveling alone, was arrested in Slovenia. Having already been processed and fingerprinted in Slovenia he was brought to a police station and then transferred to an open asylum centre on the edge of the capital, Ljubljana. At this stage the individual was able to resume his asylum status in Slovenia and having signed some documents, was given a temporary asylum card. The man stayed in the open facility for nine days.

On the following Monday (27th) at around midday, he was walking through the centre of Ljubljana. He was spotted near the bus station by Slovenian police. They immediately arrested him, despite the individual explaining his asylum status (and that he was in fact staying in the asylum facility).

The man describes that he was taken to a closed detention centre, where he was kept for ten days. On September 5th. 2018 the man was taken by Slovenian police and driven by car to the border of Croatia. Here, he was handed over on foot by two officers to a combi van parked on the Croatian side of a motorway customs area. He then spent around 6 hours in the back of the combi, before arriving at the border crossing to Bosnia near Sturlic. Here the police, four Croatian officers dressed in sky blue shirts, were waiting for the combi. As he left the van they beat him with police issue black batons. They hit him for several minutes and then told him to make his own way back across the border to Bosnia.