"THE MEN EXPRESSED THE INTENTION TO SEEK FOR ASYLUM AND EXPLAINED THEIR DIFFICULT SITUATION AT HOME AND IN HOST COUNTRIES, BUT THE POLICE ANSWERED 'NO ASYLUM, GO BACK TO SERBIA'."

Date and time: October 11, 2017 05:00

Location: Croatia, Tovarnik

Coordinates: 45.15714, 19.147172

Push-back from: Push-back to:

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

Minors involved? Yes

Violence used:

Police involved: 4 policemen, male, in Croation border police uniforms

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

5 male, 16, 16, 14, 20 and 20 y.o from Afghanistan

On the 11th of October, about at 5am (duration about 10 minutes), they were deported on the Serbian-Croatian border between Tovarnik and Sid, near train rails on Croatian side, inside the building where the border police monitors the border, about at location of: 45.157140,19.147172. Men crossed the border by train in container and got caught by 20 police near Tovarnik town about at location of: 45.157140,19.147172. The police called for four border police who transported the men by a police van to the deportation place, where the violence occurred. After that the police deported the men to the border and they walked back to Šid. There have been 4 policemen, male, in Croation border police uniforms.

TYPE OF VIOLENCE USED:

Beating with fists and palms, hitting with stick (long thin black with handrest) to all body parts.

The police examined bodies with hands, checked the baggage. Money and phones were confiscated. The men expressed the intention to seek for asylum and explained their difficult situation at home and in host countries, but the police answered "no asylum, go back to Serbia", after which the violence occurred. All men were treated the same.

EXPRESSION OF THE INTENTION TO ASK FOR ASYLUM:

All men expressed the intention in both places in English without proper response from the police.