"THE POLICE OFFICERS SEARCHED THEIR CLOTHES AND (...) ALSO THEIR MOBILE PHONES"

Date and time: February 12, 2018 00:00

Location: Vinkovci, Croatia

Coordinates: 45.2879058, 18.805678100000023

Push-back from: Push-back to:

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

Minors involved? No

Violence used:

Police involved: 6 Croatian 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

A group of three persons from Afghanistan (aged 19, 24 and 29) for 2 nights and 1 day were walking from the Serbo-Croatian border to the town of Vinkovci. From there they wanted to take a taxi, but a taxi driver called the police. Five to six policemen arrived in three police cars to the taxi parking space.

They stayed there during all the time of the interrogation. They asked for asylum but their request was rejected with an explanation that it was not possible to seek an asylum and that they should return back to Serbia.

The police officers searched their clothes and what they were wearing. Also they took their mobile phones and search the content inside, asking about the pictures they had stored, and about people who were on these pictures. They returned mobile phones to them. The police didn't take any personal information nor give them any official paper. They were driven in a police car back to the border with Serbia, where they were pushed back on a trail rails Tovarnik – Sid (45.147575,19.164551).