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"THE 4 MEN WOKE UP AS THE POLICE STARTED KICKING THEM, AND THEY WERE BEATEN AND KICKED BY THE POLICE OFFICERS"

Date and time: December 17, 2017 01:30

Location: Near Batrovci on the Croatian side, Croatia

Coordinates: 45.0495562 , 19.101440300000036

Push-back from: Croatia

Push-back to: Serbia

Demographics: 4 person(s), age: unknown , from: Syria, Egypt

Minors involved? Unknown

Violence used: beating (with batons/hands/other), kicking, destruction of personal belongings, theft of personal belongings

Police involved: Croatian border police

Taken to a police station?: unknown

Was the intention to ask for asylum expressed?: Unknown

Reported by: Rigardu

ORIGINAL REPORT

4 men (1 from Egypt, 3 from Syria) tried to cross the border by walking. The Croatian police arrested them while they were sleeping under a bridge. There were more than 15 police officers and many cars. The 4 men woke up as the police started kicking them, and they were beaten and kicked by the police officers. The police searched their bags and pockets, took the money they found from 2 of these men and 2 phones were smashed.

One of the Syrians told the police about his illness and that he needed to go to Zagreb to be treated, but his request was refused. A police officer explained to them that the reason for this was that they had committed illegal entering. They were put in a van, and driven back to Serbia. In a place close to the border crossing at Batrovci, the officers wanted them to walk forward. They came back to Sid after walking all night long.