

## Joint Return Operation on 19 January 2014 to Pakistan Organised by Greece

2014/ROS/06

### Implementation Plan

The Joint Return Operation (JRO) on 19.01.2014 to Pakistan is organised by Greece and coordinated and co-financed by Frontex. Its purpose is to remove, from the territory of the EU Member States and Schengen Associated Countries, relevant third-country nationals who are subject of individual return decision issued by the participating countries to their country of origin.

Members detailed for duty in this operation will ensure full compliance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights<sup>1</sup> ensuring respect and dignity for all persons encountered in the course of this operation and with the Code of Conduct for JROs coordinated by Frontex<sup>2</sup>.

Any incident of a sensitive or public interest nature which occurs during the course of this operation will immediately be reported, in writing, by the member concerned, for the information of Frontex

Itinerary: Route / schedule (local times):

Date	Flight Number	From	Local Time	To	Date	Local Time
19.01.14	██████	Athens	████	Tbilisi	20.01.14	████
20.01.14	██████	Tbilisi	████	Lahore	20.01.14	████
20.01.14	██████	Lahore	████	Tbilisi	20.01.14	████
20.01.14	██████	Tbilisi	████	Athens	20.01.14	████

Aircrafts: Airbus ██████

Available seats for this operation in total: 165

Available seats for PMS: 35 for returnees and staff

Leading state: Greece

Stop-over State: -

Participants Spain

<sup>1</sup> Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, 2007/C303/01

<sup>2</sup> Code of Conduct for Joint Return Operations coordinated by Frontex, Decision of the ED 2003/67 entered into force on 08.10.2013  
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Numbers of returnees, escorts, observers: See Annex1

It is the PMS/SAC Escort Leaders responsibility and task to report any changes regarding the number of returnees and staff in the Annex 1 prior the departure from their respective home country, by sending SMS to the Escort Leader of Spain and the Frontex Project Manager - see contact details in annex 2.

Length of operation (Implementation period: 19.01.2014 - 20.01.2013):

[Redacted]

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Handling Agents:

Athens

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Frontex:

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Dress code:

The dress code for escorts on this flight will be smart casual without neck ties. Official vests with "national logo" in clear letters on the rear or front or armbands shall be worn while on duty at embarkation airport and onboard until arrival at the airport in Islamabad. They will not be worn if disembarking from aircraft in Islamabad. Full uniform is NOT permitted.

Operational Briefing:

The Escort leader (EL) of Spain will attend an operational briefing at Athens Airport to update the pax lists, seating plan and discuss boarding process, security as well as other important procedures on board. The briefing point and time will be determined in due time.

Separate briefing with the Pilot in Command of the aircrafts and his/her crew will be conducted by the Escort Leader of Greece before the departure in Athens.

Medical Attention:

Medical staff will be available at the Athens Airport before the departure of the joint charter as well as onboard.

Participating states are requested to communicate any pre-existing medical conditions or requirements in timely fashion to the organising Member State.

**Interpreter:**

There will be no interpreter on board.

**Human rights monitor:**

There will be no monitor on board.

**Transport of returnees to Athens Airport:**

The delegation of Spain will arrive by charter flight at Athens airport.

The PMS will be assisted by the Greece ground staff in Athens and taken connecting charter embarkation to the main charter

**Preparation of transport for Returnees (Airport):**

1. Each returnee has to be searched thoroughly before boarding by respective national escorts (in accordance with the national law).
2. National escort leaders are in charge of the coercive measures concerning their deportees. The GR escort leader has the final responsibility.

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

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3. Escorts will have a designated returnee from departure to the destination.
4. Personal belongings shall not be put in the baggage hold of the aircraft. They should be placed in an envelope/plastic bag and marked with a name of a returnee. These items actually will be handled only by a responsible escort and they will hand it back over to the returnee just before disembarkation.
5. Baggage which is transported in the hold of the aircraft will be properly tagged and marked with a name of a returnee.
6. Maximum weight allowed per passenger is limited to 20 Kg.

**Boarding:**

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**Procedures Onboard of Aircraft:**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Procedure at Islamabad Airport:**

[REDACTED]

**Return from Islamabad:**

- After the hand-over procedure, the EL of all participating Member States will be respectfully asked to complete "JRO Debriefing Form", distributed by the Frontex representative onboard, and return it before the debriefing. The feedback provided in the forms will be utilized during the debriefing.
- A debriefing will be organised during the return flight from Islamabad to Greece with all the escort leaders and team leaders.

**After-operation phase:**

- Greece as a leading country will provide Frontex with the Final Return Operation Report in a standard form.

**It is the escort leader's responsibility and task to inform each member of his/her contingent about the content of the implementation plan and to ensure that each member of his/her contingent complies with it.**

- Annexes:
- Annex 1 - Passengers' numbers & Embarkation Airports & Arrival Times
  - Annex 2 - Escort Leaders & Crisis Focal Points 24/7 & Observers
  - Annex 3 - Code of Conduct for all participants in Frontex activities
  - Annex 4 - Code of Conduct for JRO coordinated by Frontex

For Frontex, [REDACTED], Head of Return Operations Sector  
*Signature*

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Done in Warsaw, 14.01.2014