

Serious incident report no. 10809/2020

Report date and time (UTC)	2020-03-19 08:26
Reporting person	Text Removed - Justification 1
Last modification date and time (UTC)	2020-03-19 10:18
Last modification done by	Text Removed - Justification 1
SIR Status	Closed
FSC SIR Category	1 - Situations of high political and/or operational relevance especially with the potential to affect EU border management of one or more MS/SAC including international crisis situations
Type of SIR	2 Formal SIR
Subject	Hellenic Police Office COVID-19 Confirmation Case
Joint operation	Flexible Operational Activities 2020 Land
JORA incident number	
Original source of information	Text Removed - Justification 2
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Frontex resources involved	No
Incident dates (UTC)	2020-03-18 17:30
Detection date (UTC)	2020-03-18 17:30
Location of the incident	
Latitude	Text Removed - Justification 3
Longitude	Text Removed - Justification 3
Reference to the operational area	Yes
Type of resources / involvement	
Dead persons	
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Details

Information/Allegations	On 18-03-2020 at 18:30 hours approximately, Text Removed - Justification 2,4 reported about a new confirmed case of Covid-19 in Text Removed - Justification 3. The infected person is a
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Measures	<p>Text Removed - Justification 4 deployed in Text Removed - Justification 3. Text Removed - Justification 1, 2, Greek Police Officer followed the standard procedure and measures established by local authorities. Moreover, he immediately informed the doctor about his health status as he did not feel well. He was recommended to stay at home in quarantine and being monitored during all that time. As he did not get better, Covid-19 testing was performed and the final result was positive.</p> <p>Text Removed - Justification 3 police cars and office premises have been washed and disinfected.</p>
Assessment	<p>It is worth to highlight that Text Removed - Justification 5 is currently deployed in Text Removed - Justification 3; according with Text Removed - Justification 2, the infected Text Removed - Justification 4 has never been paired or been in touch with team members.</p>
Final outcome	<p>Nowadays, Text Removed - Justification 4 is hospitalized in Alexandroupolis.</p>

Serious incident report no. 10804/2020

Report date and time (UTC)	2020-03-18 16:23
Reporting person	Text Removed - Justification 1
Last modification date and time (UTC)	2020-03-20 15:19
Last modification done by	Text Removed - Justification 1
SIR Status	Closed
FSC SIR Category	3 - Incidents involving Frontex staff and participants in Frontex activities
Type of SIR	2 Formal SIR
Subject	Text Removed - Justification 4 hospitalized in Sofia Military Hospital
Joint operation	Flexible Operational Activities 2020 Land
JORA incident number	
Original source of information	Text Removed - Justification 4
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Frontex resources involved	No
Incident dates (UTC)	2020-03-18 13:30
Detection date (UTC)	2020-03-18 13:30
Location of the incident	
Latitude	Text Removed - Justification 3
Longitude	Text Removed - Justification 3
Reference to the operational area	Yes
Type of resources / involvement	
Dead persons	
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Details

Information/Allegations	On 18.03.2020 around 14:30 one Text Removed - Justification 4 deployed in Text Removed - Justification 3 has been hospitalized at the Military Hospital in Sofia. According to the doctor, he presented compatible symptoms with Covid-19 such as
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difficulties while breathing. Two days ago he felt some pain in his chest and lungs. He received immediate medical assistance but no further measures were considered necessary. Nevertheless, this morning he had some problems with his breathing and went to the urgency services to be checked. He was sent to the Military Hospital in Sofia for additional medical checks. On 20.03.2020 around 10:30, Text Removed - Justification 4 was informed that Covid-19 test gave a NEGATIVE result. At 13:30 Text Removed - Justification 4 left the Military Hospital and he was sent to his accommodation in Sofia.

Measures

The Covid-19 testing has been done. The analysis results will be delivered on tomorrow afternoon. Meanwhile Text Removed - Justification 4 is monitoring the situation; Text Removed - Justification 4 is isolated at this hospital. Text Removed - Justification 2, 3 has been already informed about this issue. Text Removed - Justification 4 will share more information about this situation as soon as he will receive it. After the release to COVID-19 test final result, no further measures was taken by the medical staff in charge for this case.

Assessment

Text Removed - Justification 4 is continuously checked and assisted by hospital doctors and medical staff. Bulgarian authorities inform that Text Removed - Justification 4 will remain one week without performing shifts just as a preventive measure (not a quarantine).

Final outcome

Serious incident report no. 10658/2020

Report date and time (UTC)	2020-03-04 17:41
Reporting person	Text Removed - Justification 1
Last modification date and time (UTC)	2020-03-05 11:59
Last modification done by	Text Removed - Justification 1
SIR Status	Closed
FSC SIR Category	3 - Incidents involving Frontex staff and participants in Frontex activities
Type of SIR	1 Initial SIR
Subject	Frontex officer exhibiting symptoms of COVID 19
Joint operation	FOCAL POINTS 2020 - AIR BCP
JORA incident number	
Original source of information	Text Removed - Justification 4
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Frontex resources involved	No
Incident dates (UTC)	2020-03-03 17:35
Detection date (UTC)	2020-03-04 17:35
Location of the incident	Text Removed - Justification 6
Latitude	Text Removed - Justification 6
Longitude	Text Removed - Justification 6
Reference to the operational area	No
Type of resources / involvement	Human resources
Dead persons	
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Details

Information/Allegations

On the 04.03.2020 personnel Text Removed - Justification 6 informed the Federal Police Headquarters that Text Removed - Justification 4, exhibited symptoms of COVID 19 (fever, chest pain, headache, heavily tired).

Measures

At the moment Text Removed - Justification 4 is not on duty and at home.

Text Removed - Justification 4 stated that they were in contact with travelers coming from Northern Italy, among others.

The medical department of the Federal Police is informed and involved.

A test will be performed today and evaluated in a laboratory in Text Removed - Justification 6 to define the real nature of the illness

Assessment

Text Removed - Justification 6 authorities are monitoring closely the situation and Frontex will be informed accordingly.

Final outcome

The result of the rapid test of COVID-19 performed by the team member deployed is negative.

The case is consider closed as per SI coordinator decision.

Disclaimers of Non-disclosure

1	Personal Data	<p>Names and/or contact details</p> <p>The non-disclosed text contains personal data, in particular, the name of an individual. Its disclosure would affect the privacy and integrity of the individual and is therefore precluded pursuant to the exception laid down in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.¹</p> <p>Medical data</p> <p>The non-disclosed text contains information about the medical condition of an individual participating in Frontex activities. The disclosure of such information would undermine the protection of the privacy and the integrity of the individual as protected by European Union laws regarding the protection of personal data. In this regards the text is not disclosed pursuant to the exception laid down in Article 4(1) (b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.²</p> <p>(plural)</p> <p>Names and/or contact details</p> <p>The non-disclosed text contains personal data, in particular the names of individuals. Its disclosure would affect the privacy and integrity of the individuals and is therefore precluded pursuant to the exception laid down in Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.³</p> <p>Medical data</p> <p>The non-disclosed text contains information about the medical condition of the individuals participating in Frontex activities. The disclosure of such information would undermine the protection of the privacy and the</p>
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2	Reporting tools and methods used by law enforcement officials	The non-disclosed part contains detailed information related to reporting tools and methods used by law enforcement officials to conduct border control tasks and counter criminal activities. Its disclosure would jeopardize the implementation of ongoing and future operations, and thus facilitate irregular migration and trafficking in human beings as the effectiveness of law enforcement measures would be significantly reduced. As disclosing this information would undermine the protection of the public interest as regards public security, this part is not disclosed pursuant to Article 4(1)(a) first indent of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 ⁵ .
3	Operational Area of Joint Operation	The non-disclosed parts refer to details of the operational area and cannot be released. As ongoing operations tend to cover similar operational areas as the operations conducted in preceding years, disclosing details of previous operational areas would be tantamount to disclosing the current state of play. This would provide smuggling and other criminal networks with intelligence, enabling them to change their modus operandi, which would ultimately put the life of migrants in danger. Consequently, the course of ongoing and future operations of similar nature would be hampered by depriving the operations of any strategy and element of surprise, ultimately defeating their purpose to counter and prevent cross-border crime and unauthorized border crossings. In this light, the disclosure of documents containing such information would undermine the protection of the public interest as regards public security in the sense of Article 4(1)(a) first indent of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 ⁶ .
4	Number and profile of Human Resources	The non-disclosed parts contain information regarding the number and profiles of officers deployed in the operational area. Disclosing such information would be tantamount to disclosing the weaknesses and strengths of Frontex operations and pose a risk to their effectiveness. As a result, the course of ongoing and future similar operations would be hampered, ultimately defeating their purpose to counter and prevent cross-border crime and unauthorized border crossings. Consequently, the disclosure of such information would undermine

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		the protection of the public interest as regards public security as laid down Article 4(1)(a) first indent of Regulation (EC) 1049/2001 ⁷ .
5	Number and type of technical equipment	The non-disclosed parts contain information regarding the technical equipment deployed in each operational area. Disclosing such information would be tantamount to disclosing the exact type, capabilities and weaknesses of the equipment, as well as their usual position, opening way for abuse. The result of this would only be to hamper the course of ongoing and future similar operations, ultimately obstructing their purpose to counter and prevent cross-border crime and unauthorized border crossings. In this light, the disclosure of such information would undermine the protection of the public interest as regards public security in the sense of Article 4(1)(a) first indent of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001. ⁸
6	Sensitive operational information	<p>The non-disclosed text cannot be released as it refers to details crucial for situational awareness at the external borders of the European Union which is used by Frontex to conduct its operational activities and to develop risk analyses. The disclosure of this information would hamper the effectiveness of Frontex operations and jeopardise the efforts carried out by the European Union and Member States to curtail criminal activities at the external borders. It would thus benefit criminal networks especially those involved in people smuggling and trafficking in human beings, which would put the life of migrants in danger. Hence, the disclosure of the information pertaining to this variable would undermine the protection of the public interest as regards public security and has to be refused based on Article 4(1)(a) first indent of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.</p> <p>The information related to this non-disclosed text is also used for the development of risk analyses, which constitute a specific form of internal decision-making processes based on the intelligence derived from previous and presently ongoing activities and have a bearing on the conduct of current and future operations. Being an important base for determining the strategic orientation of the Agency, the possibility to conduct such analyses without interference is crucial for Frontex to effectively exercise its mandate. Consequently, releasing this information would enable third parties to gain insights into this decision making process and, with ascertainable likelihood, result in depriving Frontex of the possibility to conduct such analyses wholly independently, free from any external pressure or third-party influence. In sum, releasing this information would seriously undermine Frontex internal decision making-processes. As no overriding public interest that is objective and general in nature and not indistinguishable from individual or private</p>

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		interests for the release of this information is ascertainable in the present case, information pertaining to this variable cannot be released based on Article 4(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.
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