

Serious Incident Report no. 637

Reporting date: 17/08/2017 11:44 AM

Reporting person: Text Removed -Justification 1 Last modification date: 07/01/2018 10:44 AM

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Last modification done by: Text Removed -Justification 1

FSC SIR Category	1 Standard
Subject	Interception in Libyan SAR area
Type of SIR	4 Final SIR
JORA Incident number (if any)	
Joint Operation	
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Incident date/time	16/08/2017 08:30 AM
Detection date/time	16/08/2017 11:03 AM
Original source of the information	Text Removed - Justification 4
Location of the incident	Libyan SAR Area
Is latitude unknown	Yes
Latitude	
Is longitude unknown	Yes
Longitude	
Reference to the operational area	No
Frontex resources involved (Human resources / co-financed technical equipment)	Νο
Type of resources / involvement	
Dead persons	μ
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Serious Inci	ident Report	related to	Search and	Rescue action

SAR activated date/time	16/08/2017 08:30 AM
SAR activated by whom	MRCC Rome
Boat in distress	
Туре	rubber
Flag, name, IMO if available	
Detected by	
Detection done by Frontex co-financed asset	Νο
Intercepted by	
Interception done by Frontex co- financed asset	Νο
Estimated people on board	100
Planned port of disembarkation	
Departure country	Libya
Involved authorities	Libyan coat Guard

Information/allegations

On 16/08/2017 at 08:30 the Text Removed - Justification 4 informed about an ongoing SAR event close to the Libyan shores. The Text Removed - Justification 5 was requested to head south of Lampedusa in direction of the coordinates provided. MRCC Rome Text Removed - Justification 2 informed the SAR incident was coordinated by MRCC Tripoli. At 11:03 Text Removed - Justification 5 observed an inflatable dinghy with at least 100 migrants on board attempting to start its engine. At 11:30 the migrant boat approached an Text Removed - Justification 5 Vessel who dispatched a skiff Text Removed - Justification 4. At 11:52 the Vessel 4 from the Libyan Coast Guard approached the migrant's boat trying to give them a rope. At 12:33 the Libyan CG vessel turned back towards the Libyan coast. At 12:50 it came back to the migrant's boat and began circling the migrant boat, almost swamping it with its wake.

At 12:59 the migrants accepted the rope from the Libyan coast guard vessel. At 13:34 the migrant's boat was observed under its own power, being escorted by the Libyan Coast Guard towards the Libyan Territorial Waters.

At 16:37 the migrant's boat was along-side at AL KHUMS port (Libya)

Measures

The Text Removed - Justification 2, 5 observed the ongoing SAR operation. Text Removed - Justification 2.

Assessment

Final outcome