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EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD AGENCY

Serious Incident Report no. 683

Reporting date: 05/01/2018 07:27 PM

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Reporting person: Text Removed - Justification 1

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FSC SIR Category	1 Standard
Subject	A Tunisian migrant committed suicide in Lampedusa (outside Hotspot)
Type of SIR	4 Final SIR
JORA Incident number (if any)	220471
Joint Operation	Triton 2017
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Incident date/time	05/01/2018 01:00 PM
Detection date/time	05/01/2018 02:00 PM
Original source of the information	ICC Rome
Location of the incident	Lampedusa in land
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)	No
Type of resources / involvement	
Dead persons	1
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Information/allegations

On 05.01.2018 Text Removed - Justification 4 sent the preliminary information received by the intelligence officer regarding a Tunisian migrant that had committed a suicide in Lampedusa by hanging himself in an abandoned house just outside of the Hotspot and the corpse was found by other migrants. Back ground information: the migrant had arrived on Lampedusa on 30/10/2017, and he had received the order to leave Italy on the 23.12.2017, but due to the bad weather his scheduled transportation to the mainland on 31.12.2017 was cancelled. Local media has already reported of the incident, falsely reporting that the suicide had happened in the Hotspot. However, the Text Removed - Justification 4 confirmed that it had happened outside of the Hotspot.

Measures

Assessment

Final outcome

The corpse was found by other migrants an abandoned house 150 meters outside of the Hotspot that alerted UNHCR operators. UNHCR informed local Authorities and the local Doctor on the spot, despite performing a possible reanimation, had confirmed the migrant deceased.Back ground information: the migrant had arrived on Lampedusa on 30/10/2017, and he wanted to return to Tunisia, but it was impossible to return him dirictly to his origin country. Thus he received the order to leave Italy on the 23.12.2017, but he refused to board on an organized flight to the mainland. His trasportation to mainland was reschedulated for the 31.12.2017, but the commercial ferry used for transportation was cancelled due to a technical problem and there were not other opportunity to transfer him till the 05.01.2018. On 03.01.2018 the Doctor of the Hot Spot, declared that the Tunisian person had psychic problem to be verified by professional visit, but no follow up are reported on this issue.