FRONTEX
EUROPEAN BORDER AND COAST GUARD AGENCY

Serious Incident Report no. 698

Reporting date: 16/02/2018 04:08 PM

Last modification date: 16/02/2018 04:14 PM

Reporting person: Text removed - justification 1

Last modification done by: Text removed - justification 1

FSC SIR Category	1 Standard
Subject	Ramming of Text removed - justification 5 by TCG patrol boat
Type of SIR	2 Formal SIR
JORA Incident number (if any)	
Joint Operation	Poseidon Sea 2018
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Incident date/time	12/02/2018 11:40 PM
Detection date/time	12/02/2018 11:40 PM
Original source of the information	Text removed - justification 5
Location of the incident	Text removed - justification 6
Is latitude unknown	No
Latitude	Text removed - justification 6
Is longitude unknown	No
Longitude	Text removed - justification 6
Reference to the operational area	Yes
Frontex resources involved (Human resources / co-financed technical equipment)	Yes
Type of resources / involvement	Text removed - justification 5, TCG patrol boats
Dead persons	
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Information/allegations

On 12th of February at 23:30 the Text removed - justification 5 in the framework of "POSEIDON 2018" commenced patrolling Text removed - justification 6. At the sea area Text removed - justification 6, four (04) TCG patrol boats were detected.Communication with the TCG boats was not established although Text removed - justification 5 repeatedly called them via VHF. Meanwhile the TCG vessel Text removed - justification 1 was executing dangerous manoeuvres close to the starboard side of Text removed - justification 5. All the appropriate light and echo signals were used in order to avoid collision.At 23:41 LT while Text removed - justification 5 was stopped in position 37°02,61'N and 027°09,77' E, the Text removed - justification 1, sailed with straight course for collision at the portside of Text removed - justification 5.

Measures

Text removed - justification 5 executed immediate manoeuvres in order to avoid the collision but eventually the TCG patrol boat Text removed - justification 1 rammed Text removed - justification 5 at the stern portside level of the main deck. No injuries off the crew members were occurred only partly damages at HCG patrol boat.

Assessment

Text removed - justification 5 with its own means returned Text removed - justification 2.A thorough inspection was performed and it is estimated that the Text removed - justification 5 will be fully operational by the end of February. Text removed - justification 5 after the incident was replaced by Text removed - justification 5.

Final outcome