

Serious Incident Report no. 628

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Reporting person: Text Removed -
Justification 1

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FSC SIR Category	1 Standard
Subject	Riot/fire in Moria
Type of SIR	2 Formal SIR
JORA Incident number (if any)	
Joint Operation	Poseidon Sea 2017
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Incident date/time	10/07/2017 03:20 PM
Detection date/time	10/07/2017 03:35 PM
Original source of the information	Text Removed - Justification 4
Location of the incident	Moria hotspot
Is latitude unknown	Yes
Latitude	
Is longitude unknown	Yes
Longitude	
Reference to the operational area	Yes
Frontex resources involved (Human resources / co-financed technical equipment)	No
Type of resources / involvement	
Dead persons	
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Information/allegations

Information from HP (12/07/2017, 08:45): "The violent unrest triggered approximately at 15:20 h when Hellenic Police was about to apprehend a Haitian migrant in order to be handed over the 2nd negative reply, regarding the asylum process. A group of migrants, with African origin, attempted to release the Haitian national who was accompanied by police officers in order to be in custody (Pro.Ke.Ka). Hellenic Police officers managed successfully to avoid the attack of the immigrants. In a short period of time, the episodes were escalated, the number of participants were approximately three hundred (300) mostly African origin, at the same time, some of them started to throw stones against Hellenic Police Officers and Asylum Service facilities, while others started to set fire in bins and containers run by NGOs." Information from Text Removed - Justification 4 (10/07/2017, 15:35): clearly visible two fires (Text Removed - Justification 5) Text Removed - Justification 2.

Measures

Information from Text Removed - Justification 4 (10/07/2017, 15:35): "Moria Hotspot has been ordered to be evacuated". Information from HP (12/07/2017, 08:45): The Text Removed - Justification 2 deployed and Text Removed - Justification 2 and after that Hellenic Police manage to restore the public order at the RIC (according to Text Removed - Justification 4) 11/07/2017 Text Removed - Justification 4 information at approx. 17:15). Information from Text Removed - Justification 4 (10/07/2017, 19:04): the fire has been extinguished in Moria and RIC premises are open again. HP Text Removed - Justification 2 left the area at the same time and RIC premises were open again.

Assessment

The fire had been set up in at least two different places: opposite EASO a tent has been burnt away, and in the path leading to the detention area, at least, one container (belonging to the NGO Euro Relief) has been destroyed. Information from Text Removed - Justification 4 (11/07/2017, Text Removed - Justification 2): at first, garbage containers have been set on fire, which made the intervention of the fire brigade necessary. The migrants threw stones not only to HP, but also to the fire brigade who tried to extinguish at first the smaller fires. At the end, not only the windscreen of the fire fighters vehicle was smashed, but also a total of four office containers (used by NGOs Euro relief, Boat Refugee Foundation and European Lawyers were totally burnt. In addition, some big tents, which were used as shelter and for recreational, plus smaller tents, garbage bins, etc. Were burnt. Information from HP (12/07/2017, 08:45): Furthermore, during the episodes, four (4) containers were destroyed and two tents, three containers (3) were damaged and eight (8) metal waste bins were damaged also. The case is still under investigation. Information from Text Removed - Justification 4 (10/07/2017, 19:04): The registration area (Text Removed - Justification 2) has not been affected. Text Removed - Justification 2, 4. Text Removed - Justification 4 (11/07/2017, Text Removed - Justification 2) today the registration of new arrivals was performed as usual. Information from HP (12/07/2017, 08:45): up to now no injuries have been reported.

Final outcome