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DEAR FRIENDS!

Moria ist Moria is burnt down and all those who do not close their eyes intentionally or who demand exclusion at any price anyway, have once again experienced in the days after 8 September how brutal, inhumane and murderous EU asylum and migration policy is. A good two



weeks later, Von der Leyen & Co presented their plans for a "New Pact on Migration and Asylum", a draft for the next round of tightening up: Asylum procedures directly at the borders, even more detention and even more deportations. "Man cannot eat as much as man wants to puke" - full stop!

For the further introduction of the new Kompass, we take over the short and so apt speech that a friend from Athens wrote a few days after the fire:

„The tragic thing is not that Moria burned down. What is tragic is that it existed. They write in various texts or comments that refugees are now ‘homeless’ and lost their few belongings. Moria wasn't a ‘home’, it was a prison and Moria's inmates are not ‘homeless’ now. They've been homeless all these years. They

go on the channels and accuse refugees of setting the fires. If they set the fire they had every right to do it. All the right in the world.



Credit: Umbruch Bildarchiv

They present the burning of Moria as a health bomb as it might lead to the spread of covid. A health bomb, however, was its existence as tens of thousands of people were stacked in miserable conditions without elementary healthcare, without even access to water and soap. After all, rich foreigners, tourists, walking around bars,

restaurants, cafes are not a health bomb. Poor foreigners - those who are the untouchables for a large part of society - will be accused of spreading. As accused of all problems. No matter who has the responsibility for burning. We have to fight the ones who was responsible for the existence of Moria.

Let the burning be a reason - in an extremely difficult political and social correlation - for common struggles that claim the self-evident. The right to freedom of movement and to decent housing and life."

In this spirit and with anti-racist greetings,
the Kompass crew



DATES AND INFORMATION FOR OCTOBER 2020

MORIA IS BURNT DOWN

Umbruch Bildarchiv: Enough is enough! We Have Space!

Together with a broad action alliance, Aktion Seebrücke called on the solidary civil society to take to the streets in Berlin on 20 September. Under the motto "Enough is enough! Wir have space!", more than 10,000 demonstrators demanded the immediate admission of people who had fled from the burnt-out camp Moria on Lesbos.

PHOTO GALLERY AT: [HTTPS://UMBRUCH-BILDARCHIV.ORG/ES-REICHT-WIR-HABEN-PLATZ/](https://umbruch-bildarchiv.org/es-reicht-wir-haben-platz/)

A Short Story Of Moria | Joko & Klaas 15 Min live

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRqN9E9boCY>

Impressive Video-Documentation!

Open letter from cities and municipalities to the Federal Chancellor

<https://seebruecke.org/news/offener-brief-kommunen-moria/>

<https://www.proasyl.de/news/katastrophe-von-moria-soforthilfe-und-evakuierung-jetzt/>

<https://www.proasyl.de/news/die-katastrophe-von-moria-und-ihre-folgen/>



Credit: Umbruch Bildarchiv

From the commentary and links to further texts at medico about Moria:

No Greek tragedy

It is more than commiseration and indignation: Moria is a politically organised human rights crime.

By Mario Neumann

It is not a Greek tragedy that is now entering a new chapter after the fires on Lesbos. Moria is - despite all the contrary image politics and feelings

that the word now arouses in many people - a European catastrophe, which is also of a purely political nature, even if so much sounds like a natural disaster and everyone wants to help intuitively: children are bitten by rats, women sleep in nappies because they don't dare go to the toilets at night for fear of being raped and assaulted, a few doctors take care of tens of thousands of people. But every illness, every rape and every rat bite is the result of years of political deprivation of rights, not a lack of resources or technical failure. There are culprits and those responsible for Moria and there is nothing there that is not exactly wanted, known and thought of in the same way.

Now Moria is history and yet nothing has been turned around for the better. Nothing that has happened and is happening was not foreseeable, the whole situation reflects a border and asylum policy that, at the latest since 2016 with the EU-Turkey deal, has been exclusively about barracking existing problems, about locking out or exclusion. It is about controlling mobility instead of human rights and politics. That was the case in Idomeni, that was the case in the squares in Athens, where thousands of refugees slept and are now doing so again, that



was the spirit of the deal with Erdogan, that is the case in the central Mediterranean. Refugee movements and their support are fought and criminalised. Some end up as smugglers before Greek or Italian courts, others are locked up directly in EU hotspots. ...

THE WHOLE COMMENTARY HERE: [HTTPS://WWW.MEDICO.DE/BLOG/KEINE-GRIECHISCHE-TRAGOEDIE-17878/](https://www.medico.de/blog/keine-griechische-tragoedie-17878/)

MORE INTERESTING TEXTS:

[HTTPS://WWW.MEDICO.DE/MORIA-SELBSTORGANISATION-STAERKEN-17880/](https://www.medico.de/moria-selbstorganisation-staerken-17880/)

[HTTPS://WWW.MEDICO.DE/ABWEHREN-INTERNIEREN-RUECKFUEHREN-17904/](https://www.medico.de/abwehren-internieren-rueckfuehren-17904/)

„NEW PACT ON MIGRATION AND ASYLUM“

From the Pro Asyl quick analysis:

Border procedures under detention conditions - the future of the European Asylum System? If the plans of the EU Commission, which it presented on 23 September in the context of the "New Pact on Migration and Asylum", are anything to go by, then yes. The proposals would lead to a two-tier asylum system, as the PRO ASYL rapid analysis shows.

EU Commission President Ursula von der Leyen presented the so-called "New Pact on Migration and Asylum", a new departure for a Common European Asylum System (GEAS). First reform proposals of the Commission of 2016 failed due to the disagreement of the EU Member States about the reception and distribution of protection seekers. Little has changed in this dispute. That is why the Commission is focusing on issues on which everyone can agree: Deportations and exclusion.

The year 2020 has already had to be seen as another low point in European history with regard to respect for human rights and refugee protection:

Shooting at the Greek-Turkish border; the temporary suspension of the right of asylum in Greece; violent push backs on the Balkan route; refugee boats being dragged back into Turkish waters by the Greek coast guard - and finally the fire at Moria and the unworthy refusal to take in 12,000 people who have lost everything in a Union of 446 million people...

Read more here: <https://www.proasyl.de/news/grenzverfahren-unter-haftbedingungen-die-zukunft-des-europaeischen-asyllsystems/>

[HTTPS://AKTION.PROASYL.DE/#PETITIONFORM](https://aktion.proasyl.de/#petitionform)

27.09. - 09.10.2020 BERLIN: ONE YEAR AFTER THE ATTACK IN HALLE - RESILIENCE FESTIVAL AND COMMEMORATION



Nearly one year ago, an international group of Jewish young adults living in Berlin traveled to the Jewish community of Halle, Germany, for Yom Kippur. The purpose of the journey, organized by Hillel International's Base Berlin project for Jewish young adults, was to bring the spirit and vibe of young Berlin to an emptier synagogue with an older, majority Russian-speaking populace, in the hope of building bridges within the German Jewish community. But on that Yom Kippur day, an attacker with antisemitic, racist, and xenophobic motivati-



ons, with homemade guns and grenades, shot at the synagogue with the intention of murdering everyone inside.

One year later, our community – both those who were in Halle in person and those in Berlin who are connected – continues to heal from the trauma of the attack and process the enduring presence of right-wing prejudice in this country. In this process, it's important to mark anniversaries and milestones along the way. Therefore, we propose a Festival of Resilience, coinciding with the Jewish holidays of Yom Kippur and Sukkot, to mark one year's passing of time.

Resilience is defined as the capacity to recover. Yet rather than focus exclusively on a tragic moment in the past, resilience invites us to consider the future – more specifically, how we can build a strong future together. A Festival of Resilience invites moments for celebration, unity, and bonding, as well as important moments for somber reflection. Throughout the Festival, there will be a sense of forward-looking, setting goals to strengthen the community we share.

[HTTPS://MAILCHI.MP/BASEHILLEL/RESILIENCE](https://mailchi.mp/basehillel/resilience)

09.10.2020 BERLIN: MEMORIAL DEMONSTRATION ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE RIGHT-WING EXTREMIST ATTACK IN HALLE

2pm, Südstern

On 09.10.2019, a right-wing terrorist committed an anti-Semitic and racist attack in Halle. The main target of the perpetrator was the synagogue in Halle, where more than 50 people were staying at the time of the attack to celebrate the most important Jewish festival, Yom Kippur. After the armed assault failed, Jana L. and Kevin S. were shot dead. During the subsequent escape from the police, the right-wing extremist assassin injured several more people. The Action Alliance Antira - ABA calls for a demonstration on the 1st anniversary of the attack and writes in an appeal:

By commemorating this attack in a dignified manner, we would like to help ensure that it is never forgotten, that it is a reminder never to trivialise anti-Semitism and racism - especially in view of German history - and that it is to be fought consistently.

We stand together and will not be divided.

We stand up against right-wing terror, against anti-Semitism, structural racism and everyday racism and for an open and solidary society in which everyone has a place!

MORE HERE: [HTTPS://BERLIN-GEGEN-NAZIS.DE/GEDENKDEMONSTRATION-ZUM-JAHRESTAG-DES-RECHTSEXTREMEN-ANSCHLAGS-IN-HALLE/](https://berlin-gegen-nazis.de/gedenkdemonstration-zum-jahrestag-des-rechtsextremen-anschlags-in-halle/)

17.10.2020 IN MANY PLACES: ACTION DAY OF THE PLATFORM OF THE TRANSNATIONAL SOCIAL STRIKE (TSS)



Our Freedom within and beyond the Borders of Europe. October 17th: Transnational Day of Migrants' Struggle

On the 17th of October, when hundreds of thousands of migrants and sans-papiers will storm Paris from all over France, the Transnational Migrant Coordination



calls all migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, collectives, groups and supporters, to demonstrate throughout Europe and beyond.

Protests, strikes and riots are shaking the U.S. against the systemic racism and police violence that threaten black and non-white lives. On our side of the Atlantic, we are pushed back at the sea and at the borders, we are exploited and as women harassed in the workplaces. Inside and outside the European Union, also because of Dublin Regulation, we are threatened by patriarchal violence and racism, based on the color of our skin and on the blackmail of documents. The living conditions of LGBT* migrants and refugees are heavily affected by this system of racist exploitation. As in the U.S., time has come to take to the streets in mass. The time has come to take back migrants' lives.

Only a transnational initiative can build the power we need to overturn this system. In these months, migrants' struggles have multiplied challenging the set of national laws, E.U. policies and international agreements that chain our lives to borders, hierarchies and increasingly poorer jobs. For this reason, we have started a transnational coordination involving migrants' organizations from France, Italy, Spain, Germany, Slovenia, Macedonia, Greece, Turkey, Morocco and Lebanon. On the 17th of October, we will come back to the streets to seize freedom of movement and break the chains of racism and exploitation. It is time to attack together at the transnational level, overcoming the isolation of local and national initiatives....

FULL CALL AND MORE HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.TRANSNATIONAL-STRIKE.INFO/2020/09/15/OUR-FREEDOM-WITHIN-AND-BEYOND-THE-BORDERS-OF-EUROPE-OCTOBER-17TH-TRANSNATIONAL-DAY-OF-MIGRANTS-STRUGGLE/](https://www.transnational-strike.info/2020/09/15/our-freedom-within-and-beyond-the-borders-of-europe-october-17th-transnational-day-of-migrants-struggle/)

24.10.2020 WIESBADEN: DEMO AGAINST RIGHT-WING AND RACIST STRUCTURES IN POLICE AND AUTHORITIES



Big demonstration on 24 October 2020 in Wiesbaden #wi2410

On 24 October* we will take to the streets together in Wiesbaden to demonstrate against right-wing structures and racism in the Hessian security authorities. The recent cases of racist police violence and the retrieval of personal data from police computers in connection with NSU 2.0 have once again shown that these are not regrettable

individual cases, but that the security authorities in Hesse have a structural problem.

In contrast, we will send a powerful signal in the capital of Hesse.

We want something to change: Right-wing networks in the security apparatus must be consistently uncovered and fought against!

We call for an end to police violence and racial profiling and stand in solidarity with all those affected by right-wing violence: whether in Hanau, Wächtersbach, Kassel or Frankfurt.

Let us together and resolutely make it clear that we will never accept right-wing and racist structures in the police, the Office for the Protection of the Constitution and elsewhere!

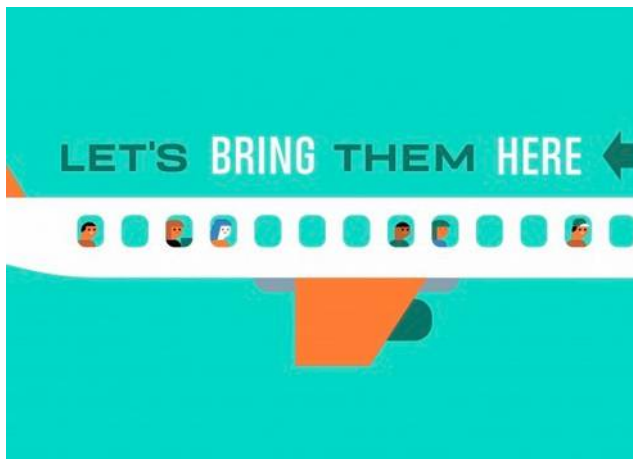


On 24 October* all together on the streets in Wiesbaden - against racism, anti-Semitism and sexism in the security authorities and everywhere!

ALLIANCE AGAINST RIGHT-WING AND RACIST STRUCTURES IN THE HESSIAN SECURITY AUTHORITIES.

[HTTPS://WIESBADENGEGENRECHTS.BLACKBLOGS.ORG](https://wiesbadengegenrechts.blackblogs.org)

29.10.2020 ONLINE EVENT FROM SEA TO THE CITY: CORRIDORS OF SOLIDARITY



<https://wegaanzehalen.nl/english/>

Das The transnational network <https://fromseacity.eu> has already organised two online events on their demands and a third one will take place on 29 October on projects and initiatives for concrete "corridors of solidarity". The network intends to organise a conference in Palermo in April 2021 (which was originally planned for June 2020 and had to be postponed due to Corona).

LINKS TO THE RECORDINGS OF THE ONLINE EVENTS AND THE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE UPCOMING EVENTS (INCLUDING REGISTRATION) CAN BE FOUND HERE:

[HTTPS://FROMSEACITY.EU/PROGRAMME/](https://fromseacity.eu/programme/)

ANTI-RACISM EXHIBITION IN FRANKFURT - ON THE DEATH OF MATIULLAH J.

Press release from the Afghan Refugees Movement

Contribution on Afghan refugee shot in Fulda from 1.10. in the city laboratory of the Historical Museum Frankfurt

Part of the exhibition "I see something you don't see. Racism, Resistance and Empowerment" from 1 October 2020 to 28 February 2021

Frankfurt, 28.09.2020 - The exhibition "I see something you don't see. Racism, Resistance and Empowerment" aims to make the views of those affected visible in the public discussions about racism and colonialism. Part of the exhibition is also a contribution of the Afghan Refugees Movement to the case of Matiullah J., who was shot by a policeman in Fulda in 2018. In their contribution, the complete belongings of Matiullah J. are shown under the question "What remains?" We often hear in the media about how the refugees in Germany would be doing so well or even too well. They come here for economic reasons and are not really refugees at all, but economic migrants. This article is intended to illustrate an example of what is actually available in Germany after three years.

Matiullah J. came to Germany at the beginning of October 2015, like so many other refugees, full of hope to build a new life in security. Only three years later he was shot by the police on April 13th 2018 in front of his refugee accommodation in Fulda. Shortly before, he had signed the papers for a voluntary return to Afghanistan. Due to his death it was possible to contribute his estate to the exhibition. This is done in memory of him and all the many other nameless people who left Germany, mostly unnoticed, and continued to flee, among others to France.



Since the death of Matiullah J., civil society actors, above all the Afghan Refugees Movement, have repeatedly pointed out the open questions about the course of events. On 10 August 2020, the Public Prosecutor in Frankfurt decided that the investigations in Fulda must be reopened. "Matiullah must not be forgotten, especially now that the investigations against the shooter in Fulda have been reopened, it is important to demand a complete clarification, we owe this to the family of the deceased" says Sarmina Stuman of the Afghan Refugees Movement. In particular, it is still unclear why five policemen were not able to arrest the young man, but also why Matiullah J. was shot several hundred metres from the scene of the conflict while fleeing.

The exhibition "I see something you don't" places the case of Matiullah in a larger context of racism and colonialism in Germany and thus makes it possible to draw attention to the institutional racism that can also be found in the police and judicial authorities.

LINK TO THE EXHIBITION PROGRAM;

[HTTPS://WWW.HISTORISCHES-MUSEUM-FRANKFURT.DE/DE/STADTLABOR/DE/ICHSEHEWASWAS-DUNICHTSIEHST](https://www.historisches-museum-frankfurt.de/de/stadtlabor/de/ichsehewaswas-dunichtsiehst)

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UPDATES SEA RESCUE: ALARM PHONE UND SEA WATCH

Stop the mass dying at sea!

Alarm Phone on September 27, 2020

SIX SHIPWRECKS AND ALMOST 200 DEATHS OFF LIBYA IN SEPTEMBER!

Once again, hundreds of people have died in the Central Mediterranean Sea over just a few days, and once again European authorities keep silent. Once again, those who survived are alive only thanks to the efforts of local fishermen who rescued them. And once again, Fortress Europe has demonstrated its deadly violence against people seeking to cross borders and find safety.

Between 14 and 25 September, Alarm Phone was alerted by hundreds of people who were in



Credit: Sea Watch

distress at sea. Whilst some of the people who reached out to us were rescued by Alan Kurdi, many others did not make it to Europe but were pushed back to Libya, and therewith to the war and torture they risked their lives to escape from.

Unfortunately, several people were not able to reach out to Alarm Phone when they were in distress at sea and were only able to call us after they had returned to land, informing us on how they survived

shipwrecks, how they watched their friends die at sea, and how those who survived were alive only due to the intervention of brave fishermen.

More than 190 people have died off the Libyan coast over just a few days. In the second part of this report we reconstruct each event according to the information we have gathered, mostly thanks to testimonies of survivors and fishermen.....



FULL REPORT HERE: [HTTPS://ALARMPHONE.ORG/EN/2020/09/27/STOP-THE-MASS-DYING-AT-SEA/](https://alarmphone.org/en/2020/09/27/stop-the-mass-dying-at-sea/)

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The Real Crimes are Push-backs and Human Rights Violations by the Greek Government

Oktober 01, 2020

Alarm Phone Press Release

On Monday, the Greek police issued a press release about the criminal investigation into 33 people from four different NGOs and two 'third country nationals'. Accordingly, a criminal case was filed for the offenses of forming and joining a criminal organization, espionage, violation of state secrets, as well as facilitation of entry (1). Even though the press statement does not name the NGOs or the individuals, there were several media reports stating that the Alarm Phone is among the groups that are targeted (2). For the time being, we refrain from publicly commenting on the ongoing investigation. Instead, we want to point out the real crimes which are ongoing!

THE "STATE SECRETS" THAT HAVE BEEN VIOLATED ARE OPEN FACTS

Push-backs, heavy forms of violence including beatings, robbery and shootings, non-assistance, forcing refugees on life-rafts and leaving them drifting in the middle of the sea. These crimes are carried out by bodies obviously belonging to the Greek state. We are not the only witnesses of this alarming development. Several actors have publicly reported about these unlawful actions carried out by the Hellenic Coast Guard at sea and border guards on land: the UNHCR, the Greek Council of Refugees, Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch and other human rights organisations, NGOs, and media outlets. (3)

The same goes for the situation in Moria, which is also mentioned as one of the state secrets in the press release of the Greek police. It is not a secret but a public fact that with European funds and support, Moria stood as the symbol of the EU's migration policy whose purpose is to deter, trampling human dignity and rights underfoot.

Human rights violations reached a new level in the Aegean Sea since the beginning of March. This escalation in violations went along with acts of repression against NGOs and all sorts of solidarity structures for refugees and migrants. Obviously, the Greek state wants to eliminate witnesses of the crimes against humanity they commit on a daily basis. It is clear that it is bothered by our activity considering that this year alone, the Alarm Phone has witnessed and documented push-backs and serious human rights violations in numerous cases. (4)

We have to note that since the founding of the Alarm Phone six years ago, our relationship with the Hellenic Coast Guard has never been as complicated as it is right now. Since October 2014, we have referred approximately 1,975 cases of people in distress to the Greek Coast Guard and other Greek authorities. On several occasions, our experience was that the Coast Guard tried their best to rescue as quick as possible. We had established a quick and efficient communication that led to rescue operations, which was crucial in times when we received as many as 23 calls per day from boats in distress in the Aegean Sea, and which remains crucial to this day.

At the very beginning of our project, we had openly addressed all Coast Guards, explaining the role and purpose of the Alarm Phone. In this letter from October 2014 we stated: "Our hope is that through our work we can support you in your daily task of saving the lives of migrants. At the same time, we will vigorously denounce any failure to this mission. We hope



that your institutions will accept both our contribution and the accountability we demand, which is required of all public institutions.” This is what we have been doing and will continue to do with determination.

The increase of human rights violations and push-backs is not a phenomenon happening locally from Greece towards Turkey alone. In the Alarm Phone, we also witness a trend towards illegal push-backs from Malta and Italy towards Libya and Tunisia in the Central Mediterranean, as well as from Spain towards Morocco in the Western Mediterranean.

We call on those in solidarity with people on the move to raise awareness of and to protest against the crimes against humanity that are perpetrated on a daily basis in the Aegean. Every refugee that is pushed back, every person that is left in an unseaworthy boat, every child that is not rescued in distress is reason enough to stand up and raise one’s voice. We will not be silenced!

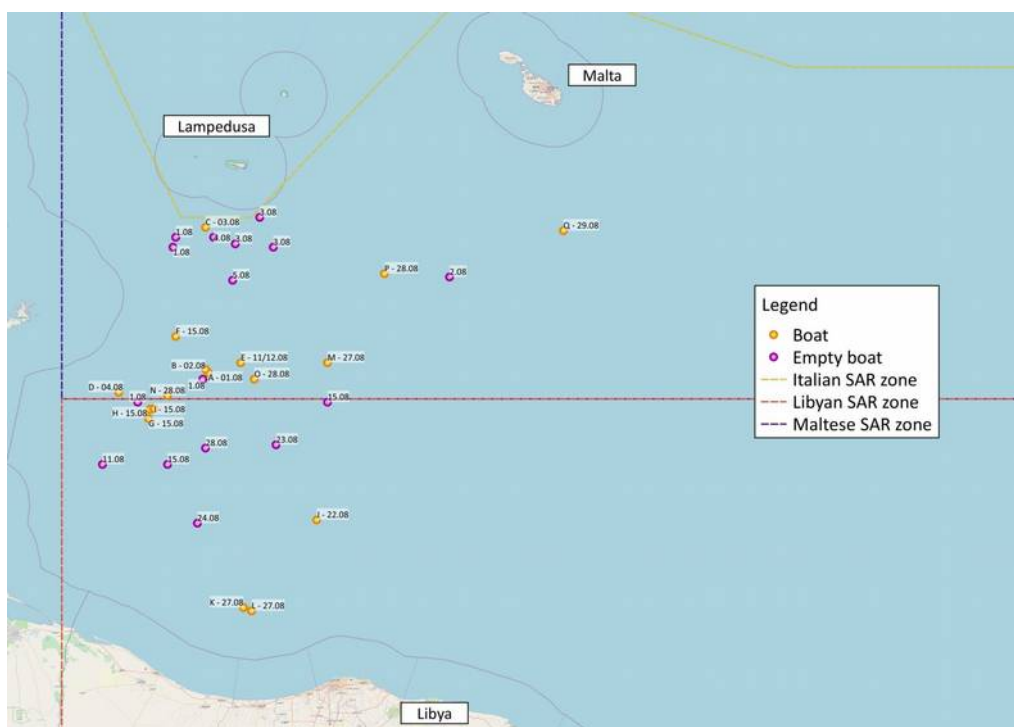
[HTTPS://ALARMPHONE.ORG/EN/2020/10/01/THE-REAL-CRIMES-ARE-PUSH-BACKS-AND-HUMAN-RIGHTS-VIOLATIONS-BY-THE-GREEK-GOVERNMENT/?POST_TYPE_RELEASE_TYPE=POST](https://alarmphone.org/en/2020/10/01/the-real-crimes-are-push-backs-and-human-rights-violations-by-the-greek-government/?post_type_release_type=post)

Crimes of Malta

In the first half of 2020, Maltese authorities were implicated in multiple failures to respect and protect the rights of refugees and migrants at sea. Under their coordination, people were pushed back to Libya, a country at war where refugees and migrants are systematically abused. Delays in attending to distress calls exposed people to the risk of drowning. People rescued at sea were denied disembarkation and were unlawfully detained for weeks on board private vessels meant for brief pleasure cruises.

MORE HERE [HTTPS://SEA-WATCH.ORG/CRIMES-OF-MALTA/](https://sea-watch.org/crimes-of-malta/)

Airborne Monthly Factsheet August 2020



This factsheet outlines a summary of the distress cases witnessed in August 2020 by Sea-Watch's Airborne crew with Moonbird. In August 2020 we flew 18 missions, with a total flight time of 81 hours and 43 minutes. We spotted around 704 persons in distress.

FULL REPORT HERE: [HTTPS://SEA-WATCH.ORG/AIRBORNE-MONTHLY-FACTSHEET-AUGUST-2020/](https://sea-watch.org/airborne-monthly-factsheet-august-2020/)

DUBLIN AND CHURCH ASYLUM: NO EXTENSION OF DEADLINES TO 18 MONTHS!

From Pro Asyl:

"Federal Administrative Court decides: No "fleeting status" in open church asylum!

In an important decision in June, the Federal Administrative Court ruled that a person in church asylum is not considered "fleeting" within the meaning of the Dublin Regulation. In contrast to the current practice of the BAMF, the transfer period may not be extended to 18 months! An important decision which must now be implemented accordingly....".

DETAILED STATEMENT HERE (IN GERMAN):

[HTTPS://WWW.PROASYL.DE/NEWS/BUNDESVERWALTUNGSGERICHT-ENTSCHEIDET-KEIN-FLUECHTIGS-EIN-IM-OFFENEN-KIRCHENASYL/](https://www.proasyl.de/news/bundesverwaltungsgericht-entscheidet-kein-fluechtigs-ein-im-offenen-kirchenasyl/)

SOLIDARITY WITH SERIF - LAST ROUND AGAINST DEPORTATION AUTHORITIES

After a successful return to the family in Germany: deportation authorities take revenge with



a notice of costs over 23.000€ for detention and charter flight in 2006. Together we also win the last act in the fight against the policy of exclusion!

His persistent fight against deportation to Turkey and a campaign for his right to stay made headlines in July 2006. The Hessenschau and many newspapers reported on his history several times. Şerif Akbulut successfully defended himself for months, three deportation attempts

had to be abandoned in a plane at the last minute. Friends organised rallies in front of the prison in Frankfurt-Preungesheim and at his prison examination dates. Finally, in early September, the authorities chartered a private jet to take him - alone with pilot, police and medical escort - out of the country. Deportation and deterrence at all costs, although Şerif had grown up in the Main-Kinzig district and should have granted him a right to stay. Şerif lived in Turkey for 1 1/2 years afterwards, partly in hiding to avoid being drafted into the military. In 2009 he set off again. On a ship heading for Italy he barely survived an accident after a storm and stranded in Greece. From there he finally managed to escape to Belgium, where he lived since the beginning of 2011 - finally no longer in fear of deportation. Finally he returned to Germany in 2019 to his family in Hesse, as his mother, who is now ill, is dependent on his support after his father's death.

The deportation authorities had stolen years of his life and put his life in danger several times. But Şerif never gave up and finally won the fight for his right to return and stay. It cannot conceal their defeat, but only makes the deportation authorities look even more pitiful



that they sent Şerif a notice of costs in 2019: He will be charged 23,000 euros for the unsuccessful deportation attempts, for the two-month detention (as "accommodation costs") and for the special charter in September 2006. Şerif, who has a family and his mother to look after, cannot raise this sum on his own. But we will not leave him alone with this.

Şerif himself has no doubt even in 2020 that his resistance was necessary and right: "I had to do this, also for many others and their stay." Şerif's Resistance and the public outrage over his deportation had contributed to the successful right to stay of many other affected people in 2006. Not only for this reason: solidarity with Şerif - also in the last round against the deportation authorities.

DONATION CAMPAIGN HERE:

[HTTPS://WWW.BETTERPLACE.ORG/DE/PROJECTS/84409-SOLIDARITAET-MIT-SERIF-LETZTE-RUNDE-GEGEN-ABSCHIEBEBEHOERDEN](https://www.betterplace.org/de/projects/84409-solidaritaet-mit-serif-letzte-runde-gegen-abschiebebehoerden)

NEW FILM: HEALTH IS A HUMAN RIGHT. THE ANONYMOUS HEALTH INSURANCE CERTIFICATE

A film by Anne Frisius, in cooperation with MediNetz Bremen and Solidarity City Bremen (Jena/Bremen 2020, 34 min.)

In one of the richest countries in the world, you would think that all people have access to medical care. But people without residential status do not have access to the regular health care system in Germany. Various initiatives would like to change this.

The film presents three of these models. While Medinetz Bremen and Humanitäre Sprechstunde Bremen have only limited resources and are by no means able to provide adequate care for everyone, the Anonymous Health Insurance Certificate Thuringia (AKST) offers a system that is more reliable for both patients and doctors.

It lets people from Jena and Bremen have their say, who are committed to take care of those who are ill and have to remain invisible. A woman from Bremen, who had to live without papers for a while, tells how she was excluded from everything in the middle of Bremen until she could get medical help through Medinetz. And the staff of the AKST tell of Thuringia, where an anonymous health insurance certificate opens all the roads to the health system - without fear and vital for many.

THE FILM IS AVAILABLE ON THE NET: [HTTPS://VIMEO.COM/447258595](https://vimeo.com/447258595)

UPDATES INITIATIVE 19. FEBRUAR HANAU



Statement on 22 August, the speeches of a special rally and an open letter

"...Almost 50 people were on stage on 22 August. In front of them stood not the expected 5000, but just 249. But tens of thousands listened all over the country, not only in front of screens at home, but also in public places, cafés and shops. Many told us that they now understood even more clearly that Febru-



ary 19 is by no means over. Hanau, the memory as well as the struggle of relatives, friends and supporters, their strength and endurance is now everywhere. Also we ourselves - the initiative and the people who were on stage, relatives, survivors - have received so many touching, impressive, motivating feedbacks and have drawn a lot of strength and courage from this day and from your feedback.

The support of thousands on the streets of Hanau, it could not take place. This is missing and cannot be replaced by any live stream. Nevertheless we think that we all could make something good out of the ban and that it was not a setback at all. Why? Because this way the heart of the planned day - the rally of relatives, friends, survivors of the racist attacks in Hanau, Halle, Wächtersbach and Mölln - could take place. Because their voices became big and loud, on squares, on streets, in your rooms...".

THE FULL STATEMENT ON THE 22 AUGUST RALLY HERE:

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OPEN LETTER (DATED 18 SEPTEMBER) TO THOSE RESPONSIBLE AT FEDERAL, STATE AND CITY LEVEL:

FOR SOCIAL SECURITY AND JUSTICE FOR THE RELATIVES OF THE VICTIMS OF THE RACIST TERRORIST ATTACK IN HANAU ON 19 FEBRUARY 2020

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