

**Serious Incident Report no. 36**  
**FSC log: 1631/2015****Reporting date:** 19/04/2015 12:21 PM**Last modification date:** 20/04/2015 12:33 PM

FSC SIR Category	1 Standard
Subject	Fatal incident in the Mediterranean - Capsized boat with a high number of casualties in Libyan SAR area
Type of SIR	1 Initial SIR
JORA Incident number (if any)	
Joint Operation	EPN Triton 2015
Frontex SIR Coordinator	
Incident date/time	19/04/2015 12:19 AM
Detection date/time	18/04/2015 10:59 PM
Original source of the information	Thuraya call phone
Location of the incident	70 NM north Tripoli ‘
Is latitude unknown	No
Latitude	33.850000000000000 ‘
Is longitude unknown	No
Longitude	14.43333333333300 ‘
Reference to the operational area	No
Frontex resources involved (Human resources / co-financed technical equipment)	Yes
Type of resources / involvement	ITA/GDF/OPV Monte Sperone, ITA/GDF/CPV G120, - ITA/GDF/FWA, MLT/AFM/CPV P51, - MLT/AFM/CPV P52
Dead persons	28
Injured persons	
Missing persons	

Serious Incident Report related to Search and Rescue action





SAR activated date/time	19/04/2015 01:15 AM
SAR activated by whom	MRCC ROME
Boat in distress	
Type	wood
Flag, name, IMO if available	
Detected by	THURAYA
Detection done by Frontex co-financed asset	No
Intercepted by	M/V KING JACOB
Interception done by Frontex co-financed asset	No
Estimated people on board	700
Planned port of disembarkation	
Departure country	Libyan Arab Jamahiriyah
Involved authorities	ITALIAN AUTHORITY

<b>Fact of the case</b>
18.04.2015 > 19:35LT MRCC Rome received a satellite distress call from a boat with migrants. > 18:43 the boat was located in a position 68NM N of Libya/118 NM S of Malta in Libyan SAR area (33 51' N 014 26' E). > At 24:00 MRCC Rome informed ICC Rome that during M/V King Jakob's interception of the migrants boat in a position 75NM N of Libya/110 NM S of Malta (33 57' N 014 28' E) it capsized and all migrants to fall over board. 19.04.2015 > Many merchant and state vessels directed to the SAR position incl. following Frontex deployed assets to search for survivors and dead bodies. In total 28 migrants rescued and 24 dead bodies recovered (according to Ministry of Interior). > Some of the migrants rescued stated that they had been approx. 700 migrants on board the boat. > ITA/CG/OPV CP920 will bring the dead bodies to Malta today. MLT/AFM/FWA tasked by MRCC Rome to support the SAR operation. (in total 6 Frontex deployed assets are supporting this specific SAR operation)

<b>Measures</b>
Frontex deployed assets involved in the SAR operation: ITA/GDF/OPV Monte Sperone, ITA/GDF/CPV G120, - ITA/GDF/FWA, MLT/AFM/CPV P51, - MLT/AFM/CPV P52



Additional information
Location of the incident: 


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700 migrants feared dead as boat capsizes off Libyan coast; EU faces new pressure in face of tragedy

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-32376082>