





## 17/06: 30 people picked up by Turkish Coast Guard in the presecne of the Hellenic Coast Guard



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## Watch The Med Alarm Phone Investigations -14th of June 2022

Case name: 2022\_06\_14-EasternMed914

Situation: 30 people in distress at the border between Turkish and Greek Rescue Zone, picked up by Turkish Coast Guard

Status of WTM Investigation: Concluded

Place of Incident: Aegean Sea

Summary of the Case: On Tuesday the 14th of June 2022, the Alarmphone was alerted by a relative to a group of around 30 travellers, including 12 children, in distress at sea near the island of Samos, right on the border between Greek and Turkish rescue zone. We managed to reach the travellers who told us that they had no working engine, and were therefore left adrift. We immediately alerted the relevant search and rescue authorities to the distress situation. The Hellenic coastguard responded that they would "investigate the situation". In the meantime, the travellers told us that a lot of water was entering their boat. In another call to the travellers, they told us that the Hellenic Coast Guard was on scene, but that they were not intervening, only taking photos. The Hellenic Coast Guard continued to claim that they were investigating. At 12.41 the Turkish coastguard confirmed to us on the phone that they had picked up the boat.

Tweets about the case:

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