Returns from Greece to Turkey

In the framework of the EU-TUR Statement. Source: Press Releases, Greek Ministry of Citizen Protection.

Overview

The majority of those returned to Turkey are Pakistani nationals (39 per cent of total). Syrians constitute 18 per cent of the total number of those returned, and are followed by Algerians, Bangladeshis and Afghans.

In total, 309 Syrians have been returned to Turkey to date. 33 of them have been returned on the basis that their asylum claims were found inadmissible at 2nd instance.

Of all those returned, 47 per cent did not express a will to apply for asylum or withdrew their will to apply for asylum or withdrew their asylum claims in Greece.

Return trend – August 2017 to August 2018

2016: 801 2017: 683

Reason for returns – by month and total (based on available data)

Total returns by age and gender
April 2016 to 31 August 2018

1,690

Men 91%
Children 5%
Women 4%

Nationality of those returned

- Applications discontinued and/or filed according to the relevant provisions of the Law 4375/2016 regarding implicit or explicit withdrawal or no appearance for registration.
- *Greek Ministry of Citizen Protection started publishing relevant data from 16 September 2016 onward.

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