

THE NEWSCAST

A BRITISH COURT RULING OBSTRUCTS THE RETURN OF A MIGRANT TO FRANCE UNDER THE MIGRANT EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN PARIS AND LONDON

London's High Court issued an interim injunction on Tuesday, September 16, blocking the deportation of the first migrant—a 25-year-old Eritrean man—who was scheduled to be flown back to France on Wednesday morning. This appeal is the first legal attempt to halt the deportation under the new agreement between London and Paris, which came into effect at the beginning of August. The agreement stipulates a "one for one" principle: migrants arriving in the United Kingdom on small boats will be returned to France in exchange for the acceptance of alternative migrants already in France who wish to seek asylum in the UK.



NEW RESCUE SHIP SUPPORTS RESCUE EFFORTS IN TUNISIA

The organization announced SOS Humanity today announced the launch of the rescue vessel "Humanity 2," scheduled to enter service in 2026 to operate in the Mediterranean, with a particular focus on the waters off the Tunisian coast. This move aims to fill a gap in maritime rescue operations and document alleged abuses against migrants, amid diminishing response capacities in the region. The 24-meter sailing vessel will undergo winterization to accommodate more than 100 people.



LONDON WITNESSES ANTI-IMMIGRATION PROTESTS WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF MORE THAN 110,000 PEOPLE



Between 110,000 and 150,000 people took part in a mass demonstration in the British capital on Saturday, called by far-right activist Tommy Robinson, with protesters' slogans centering on immigration.

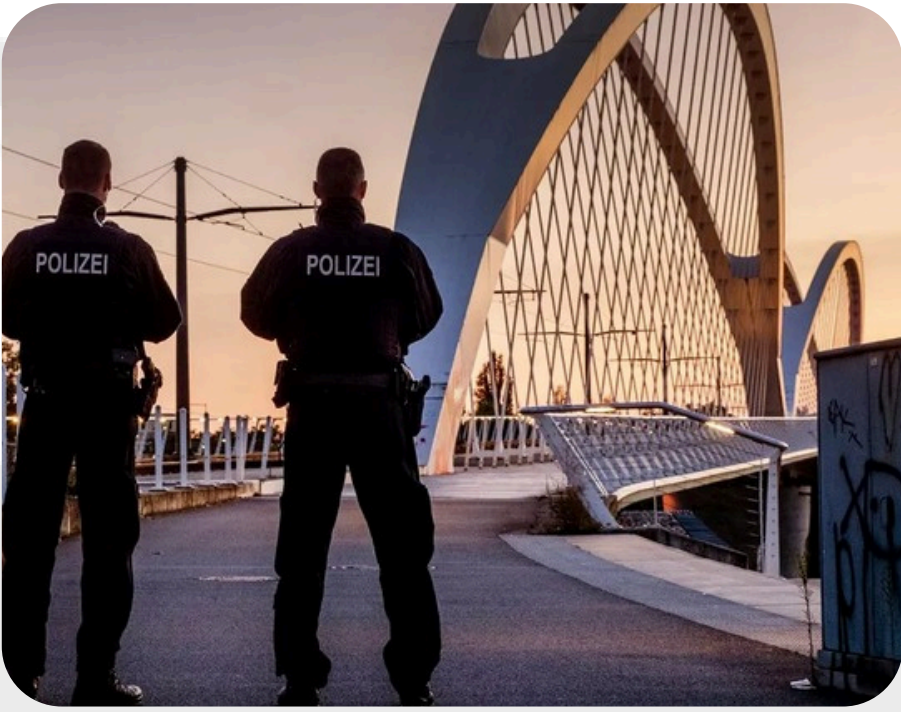
SANT'EGIDIO LAUNCHES A HUMANITARIAN APPEAL: REFUGEES BETWEEN WALLS AND EUROPEAN POLITICS



A decade after the discovery of Syrian child Alan Kurdi, which shocked the world's conscience, the Catholic Community of Sant'Egidio has once again issued an urgent appeal for a more humane asylum policy in Europe.

A YEAR OF GERMAN BORDER CHECKS: AN EVALUATION OF MAINTAINING SECURITY AND PROTECTING FREEDOMS

More than a year has passed since border checks were imposed on Germany's borders with Luxembourg and Belgium, and these measures show no signs of ending. The government maintains they are necessary to deter illegal immigration, while citizens and representatives of border regions complain that these controls undermine the Schengen Agreement and negatively impact daily movement and the local economy. Thousands of transient workers complain of inconvenience, with some having to adjust their work hours to avoid check lines.



FRONTEX ANNOUNCED A 21% DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF IRREGULAR MIGRANTS ARRIVING IN THE EUROPEAN UNION IN 2025

The European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) has released preliminary figures indicating a 21% decline in the number of migrants entering the European Union illegally between January and August 2025. The total number of arrivals reached approximately 112,375, according to a statement issued on Friday, September 12. The Central Mediterranean route remained the most active—accounting for approximately 37% of total arrivals,



GREEK AUTHORITIES PUSH MIGRANT BOAT 74 PASSENGERS TOWARDS TÜRKİYE



Turkish media reported, citing Anadolu Agency, that the Greek Coast Guard pushed a boat carrying 74 migrants—including 18 children—back toward Turkish waters off the coast of Muğla province.

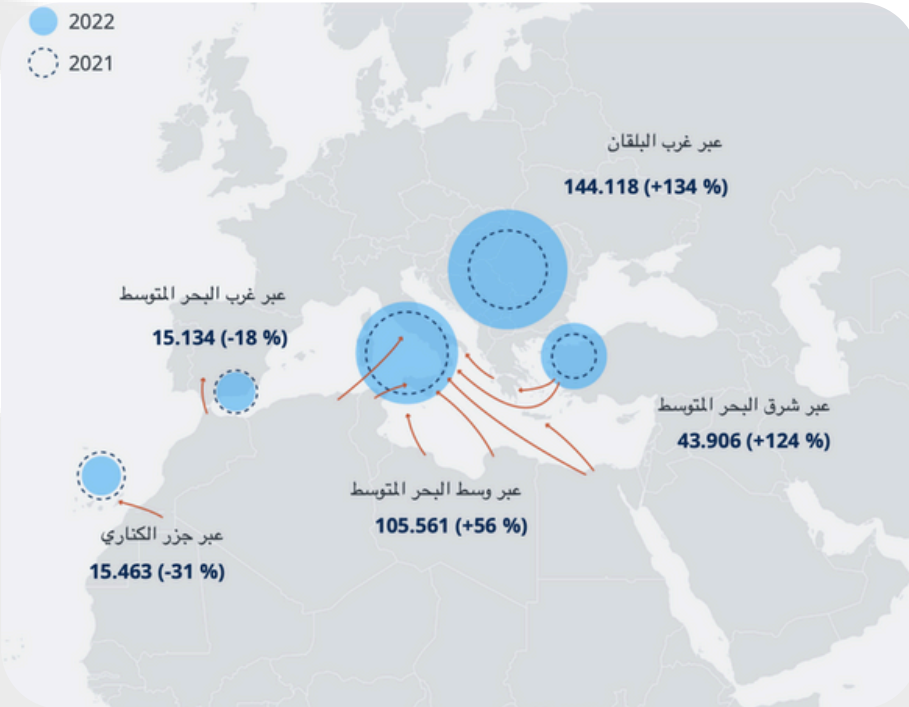
THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT CONFIRMS ITS INTENTION TO RETURN THE FIRST GROUP OF MIGRANTS TO FRANCE THIS WEEK

French authorities reported on Saturday, September 13, that the first repatriation of migrants from the United Kingdom to France, under the agreement reached in July, is scheduled to take place next Saturday. For its part, the British Home Office said it expects "returns to begin soon, stressing that protecting the British border is a priority. Paris described the agreement as "experimental," noting that it will include a limited number of individuals in the first phase, and that its implementation could be suspended if the desired goals are not achieved.



A SIGNIFICANT DECLINE IN THE ENTRY OF IRREGULAR MIGRANTS INTO EUROPEAN UNION COUNTRIES

New figures from the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex) reveal a significant decline in the number of irregular migrants arriving in European Union countries since the beginning of 2025. The agency recorded approximately 112,400 illegal crossing attempts by the end of August, a 21% decrease compared to the same period last year. Migration activity varied across routes: the West African route saw a sharp decline of 52%, the Western Balkans route saw a 47% decline, and attempts across the eastern land borders fell by 44%.



CRETE IS FLOODED WITH MIGRANTS: WARNINGS OF A HUMANITARIAN CRISIS

The Greek island of Crete is witnessing a significant increase in the number of arrivals from North Africa, raising widespread concern over the deteriorating accommodation capacity. The number of asylum seekers today reached nearly 1,000 after some 450 migrants entered the island in 48 hours, while the Greek Coast Guard intercepted boats apparently departing from the Libyan port of Tobruk.



ELEVEN SUDANESE REPORTEDLY DIED OFF THE LIBYAN COAST AFTER A 51-PERSON ATTEMPT TO CROSS THE MEDITERRANEAN TO GREECE



A boat carrying 51 Sudanese nationals sank off the Libyan coast, killing 11 young men instantly, Sudanese and Libyan media reported on Sunday, September 14. Local reports said the victims were from different parts of Sudan, including nine young men from the Al-Asaylat area in eastern Nile Delta, one young man from the city of Al-Dabbah and another from Al-Managil.

MELONI: WE WILL FIGHT SMUGGLING NETWORKS, AND THE DECLINE IN ARRIVALS AND DEATHS AT SEA HERALDS PROGRESS

Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni, speaking at the 2025 Coast Guard Global Summit in Rome (September 11), affirmed that her government will work to confront migrant smuggling networks “by all available means.” Meloni described human trafficking as one of the most profitable crimes and a form of “modern slavery” that has claimed the lives of more than 9,000 people on migration routes. She added that the marked decline in the number of arrivals and the decline in migrant deaths are promising indicators that this phenomenon can be managed if there is political will to take bold and concerted action.

