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➤ **Incident with Spanish NGO Proactive Open Arms**

- The Ragusa judge decision (Decree) rejecting the seizure of the ship was discussed, including relevant parts such as the interpretation of the state of necessity (Art 54 of the Italian penal code) in relation to the assessment of Libya not qualifying as a place of safety/implementation of *non refoulement* principle. The decree also touched upon the Libya SAR area, not putting its legitimacy into question. Next steps at judicial level to be monitored closely.
- Upcoming launch in Italy of a European citizens' initiative (<http://ec.europa.eu/citizens-initiative/public/welcome>), including a request to COM to modify the Facilitators Package in order to avoid criminalisation of humanitarian assistance. C1 to organise a meeting with NGOs on 3 May kicking off a dialogue on humanitarian assistance in the framework of the Facilitators Package (as follow up of Facilitators Package evaluation and also Delivery of Agenda on Migration). This also aims to gather updated knowledge and later facilitate dialogue with NGOs and MS, as well as possibly other EU agencies such as Eurojust.

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