


Joint Return Operation by Air 2015/ROS/35

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

The Joint Return Operation (JRO) is coordinated and co-financed by Frontex (FX). Its purpose is to remove, from the territory of the EU Member States and Schengen Associated Countries (MS/SAC), third-country nationals who are subject of individual return decision issued by the participating countries to their country of origin.

Members assigned for duty during this operation will ensure full compliance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights¹ ensuring respect and dignity for all persons encountered in the course of this operation and with the Code of Conduct for JROs coordinated by Frontex².

Any incident of a sensitive or public interest nature which occurs during the course of this operation will immediately be reported, in writing, by the member concerned, for the information of Frontex @frontex.europa.eu) and the Organising Member State (OMS), email address; see Annex 2.

Informing the Destination Country (DC) about the JRO:

Both OMS and each participating Member State (PMS) are obliged to inform the relevant diplomatic representation of a country of return about the return of their citizens expelled from their national territories.

Team Leaders, Escort Leaders, Medicals, Representatives, Observers, Monitors, Advance Party: See contacts in attached Annex 2.

Operational Briefing in line with Frontex Best Practises and Code of Conduct:

The Escort Leaders, Frontex representative and other relevant staff will attend an operational briefing before the embarkation of the main charter. The briefing will update the seat plan and lists of returnees and staff and will focus on security procedures during the embarkation, the in-flight phase and the handover of the returnees including the use of coercive measures, the handling of personal belongings and baggage. The briefing point and time will be determined by the OMS Escort Leader (EL).

OPERATIONAL OVERVIEW:

See attached Annex 1

Return from the DC:

A debriefing will be organised after the return operation, with all the relevant JRO participants, in particular ELs, back-up team leader, monitor(s) and the Frontex representative. All PMS EL and OMS EL will be respectfully asked to complete "JRO Debriefing Form", distributed by the Frontex representative and return it before the debriefing. The feedback provided in the forms will be utilized during the debriefing.

¹ Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, 2007/C303/01

² Code of Conduct for Joint Return Operations coordinated by Frontex, Decision of the ED 2003/67 entered into force on 08.10.2013

After-operation:

- The OMS, as a leading country, will provide Frontex with the Final Return Operation Report in a standard form.
- The Monitor(s) will be invited to provide Frontex with a Monitor Report.
- The operation will be evaluated in the next coming Frontex Evaluation and Planning Meeting.
- A full review of all aspects of this operation will be carried out and presented in a Final Evaluation Report by Frontex.

It is the escort leaders' responsibility and task to inform each member of his/her contingent about the content of the Implementation Plan + Annexes and to ensure that each member of his/her contingent complies with it.

Annexes: Annex 1 - Operational Overview
 Annex 2 - Contact List
 Annex 3 - Code of Conduct for JRO coordinated by Frontex

For Frontex,
Signature

Done in Warsaw,