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Request for access to Frontex documents

Dear Mr. Grasso,

With reference to your request received on 1 September 2014, please be informed that Frontex is not in possession of documents pertaining to Italian national operation "Mare Nostrum". The latter is an operation carried out by the Italian Navy, Frontex is not participating in Mare Nostrum in any way.

Frontex is currently coordinating two joint maritime operations hosted by Italy in the Central Mediterranean Sea: "EPN Hermes 2014" and "EPN Aeneas 2014". In the framework of these operations Frontex liaises with the Italian Navy. Contacts between the coordination structures of Mare Nostrum and Frontex-coordinated joint operations are limited to informal exchange during meetings.

Yours sincerely,



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