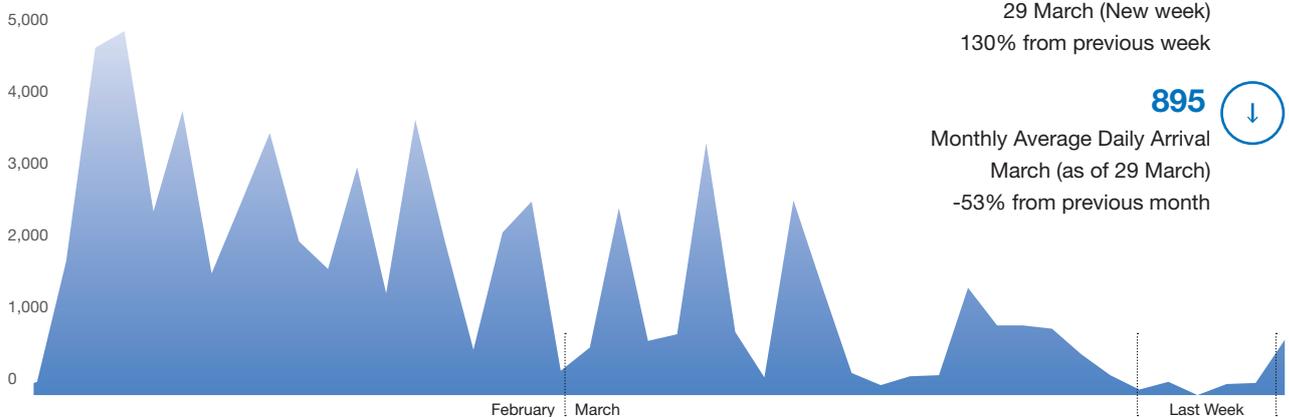




Average Daily Arrivals and Trends Greece



Daily Report

Arrivals and Departures

The Italian Coast Guard confirmed the rescue of 1,482 people off the Libyan coast in the past two days, a new indication that the number of migrants attempting to cross the Mediterranean to Italy is on the rise. According to Italian government data, almost 14,500 people have arrived in Italy from Libya so far this year. In March, the number of arrivals has more than doubled in comparison to the same period last year.

The Hellenic Coast Guard reported a significant increase in the number of unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) arriving in Greece within the first quarter of 2016. This trend was observed in particular on Lesbos, where some 537 UASC younger unaccompanied children arrived in the first three months of the year, compared to 750 in the whole of 2015.



Critical Developments

The UN Refugee Agency is hosting a high-level conference today on global responsibility sharing through pathways for admission of Syrian Refugees. Over the coming months and years, additional resettlement places will be needed to address the needs of refugees most in need in order to relieve pressure on Syria's neighbours. UNHCR [estimates](#) that as many as 10 per cent of Syria's 4.8 million refugees fall into this category, and that over 450,000 places will be needed before the end of 2018. During his [address](#), UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon called on EU Member States to "step up, with concrete actions and pledges". Similarly, the European Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship, Dimitris Avramopoulos, [called](#) on Member States to provide additional resettlement places and reiterated Europe's support in the protection of refugees in line with European and international standards. In his opening [remarks](#) UNHCR High Commissioner for Refugees, Filippo Grandi stated that The magnitude of this particular crisis shows us unmistakably that it cannot be business as usual, leaving the greatest burden to be carried by the countries closest to the conflict."

In Greece, some important challenges continue at the hotspots. In Moria, where over 2,000 people are currently present, authorities struggle to maintain order and provide services, with the most critical gap being reported in shelter management. On Samos, reception and distribution of non-food items also remains substandard, while the Vial hotspot in Chios is overcrowded. According to media sources, Alternate Citizen Protection Minister Nikos Toskas announced during

his visit to Chios that authorities are planning for the transfer of refugees and migrants to neighbouring islets.

In Eidomeni, some tensions between refugee and migrant groups, and police forces as people blocked railway tracks while requesting the opening of the border with the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Authorities are planning to enhance information sharing by deploying a team of interpreters and increasing the number of loudspeakers across the settlement. Decongestion efforts continued and since 25 March, some 750 people were transferred to the new sites in Veroia and Katerini. Meanwhile, UNHCR, through its partner Samaritan Purse, will continue to provide food to people residing in Eidomeni for an additional two weeks.

In the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the Government extended the State of Emergency until the end of the year to secure the continuity of the Crisis Management Committee and of "the execution of tasks by the army and security forces of the Interior Ministry in an attempt to guard and protect the [state border](#)"

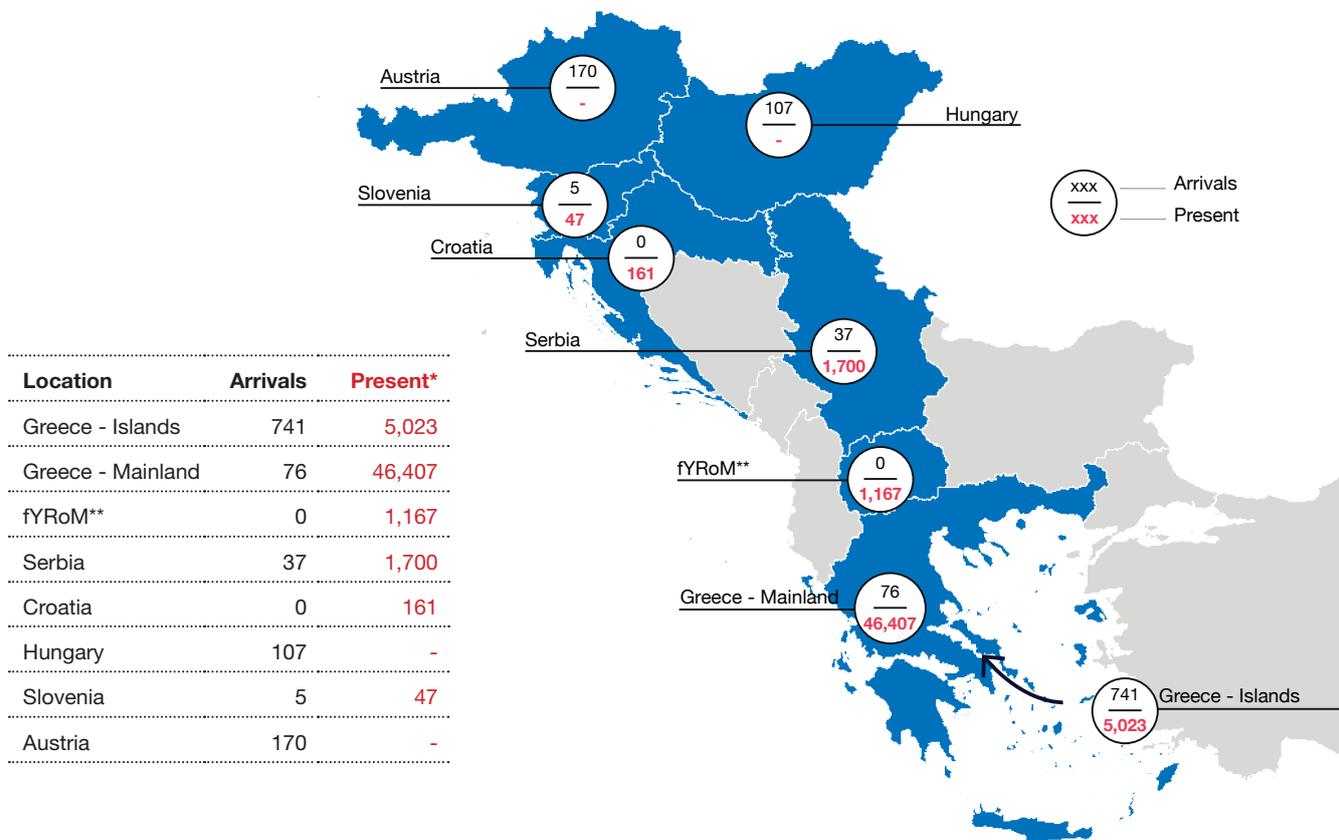
Weather Headlines

Mostly fine, dry and warmer than average across the region until the weekend.

Increasing risk of some showery weather from the weekend and through next week, but still likely to be mainly dry and warm.



Estimated Arrivals and People Present* per Country Yesterday



*Estimated people present currently not applying for asylum

**The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (please note that the fYRoM abbreviation is used for design purposes)



Social Media

Twitter Activity

The topic of Syria trended in the morning and managed to accumulate over 73,500 individual tweets. While some accounts commented on the fact that the Russian government ordered 10,300 medals to be awarded to those who served/participated in the military operation in Syria, the majority of other posts concentrated on the shipment of more equipment into Syria, despite having withdrawn a few weeks prior.

#SyrianRefugees also started trending at 12PM with the main story being that "The world's richest nations have resettled 1.4 per cent of Syrian refugees". Coverage of the story can be found [here](#).

Facebook Activity

In their daily news digest, Facebook group Are you Syrious? reported that in Syria, the ceasefire monitor logged two more breaches as airstrikes hit Hama and Jobar, Damascus.

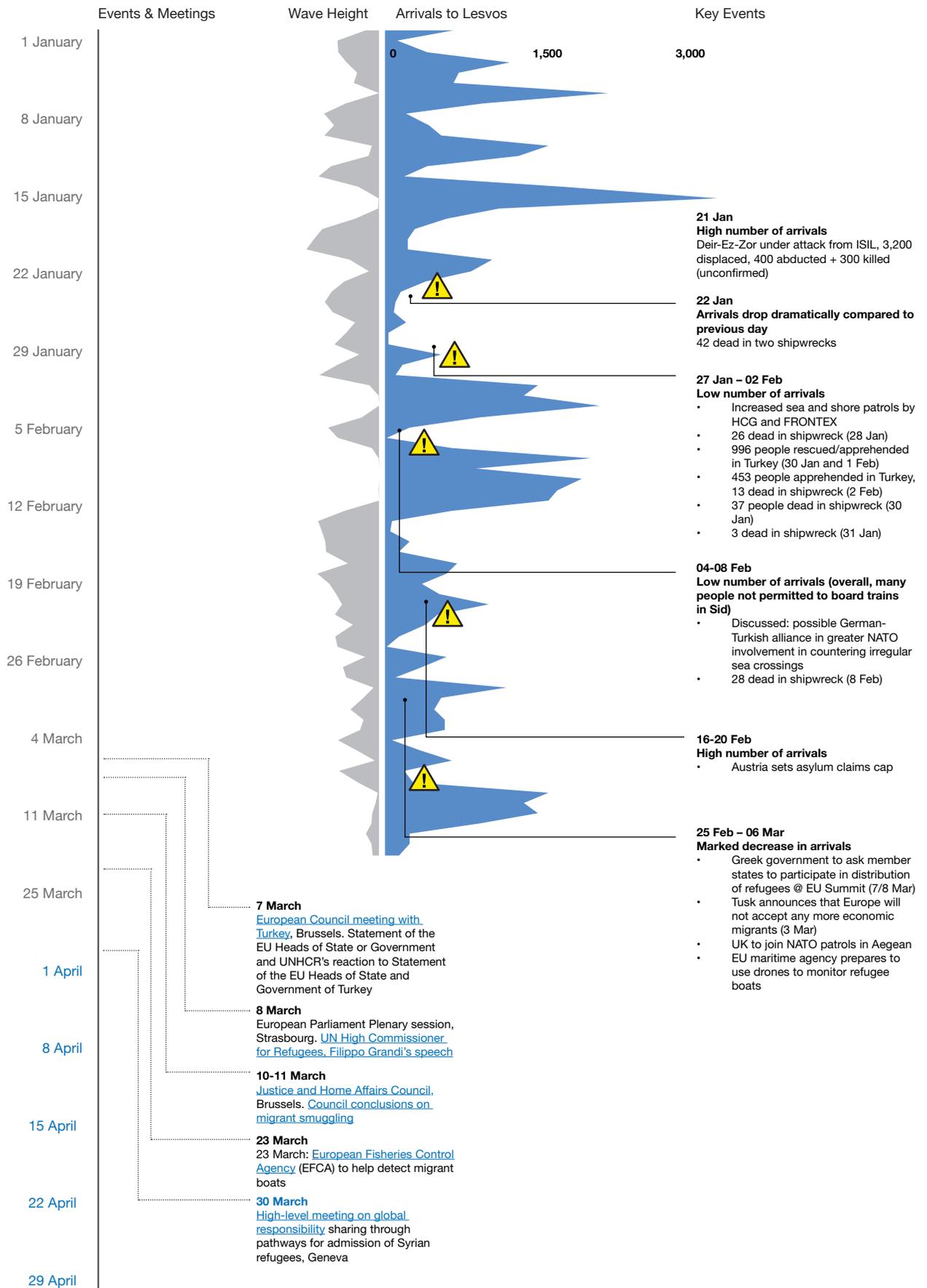
The group also highlighted that Greek TV channel ERT1 broadcasts information for refugees and migrants in Arabic after the usual Greek news.

Current Statistics for #syria

254 tweets, 329 retweets per hour
Over 1.1million impressions per hour
20% of posts using #syria originated from the US

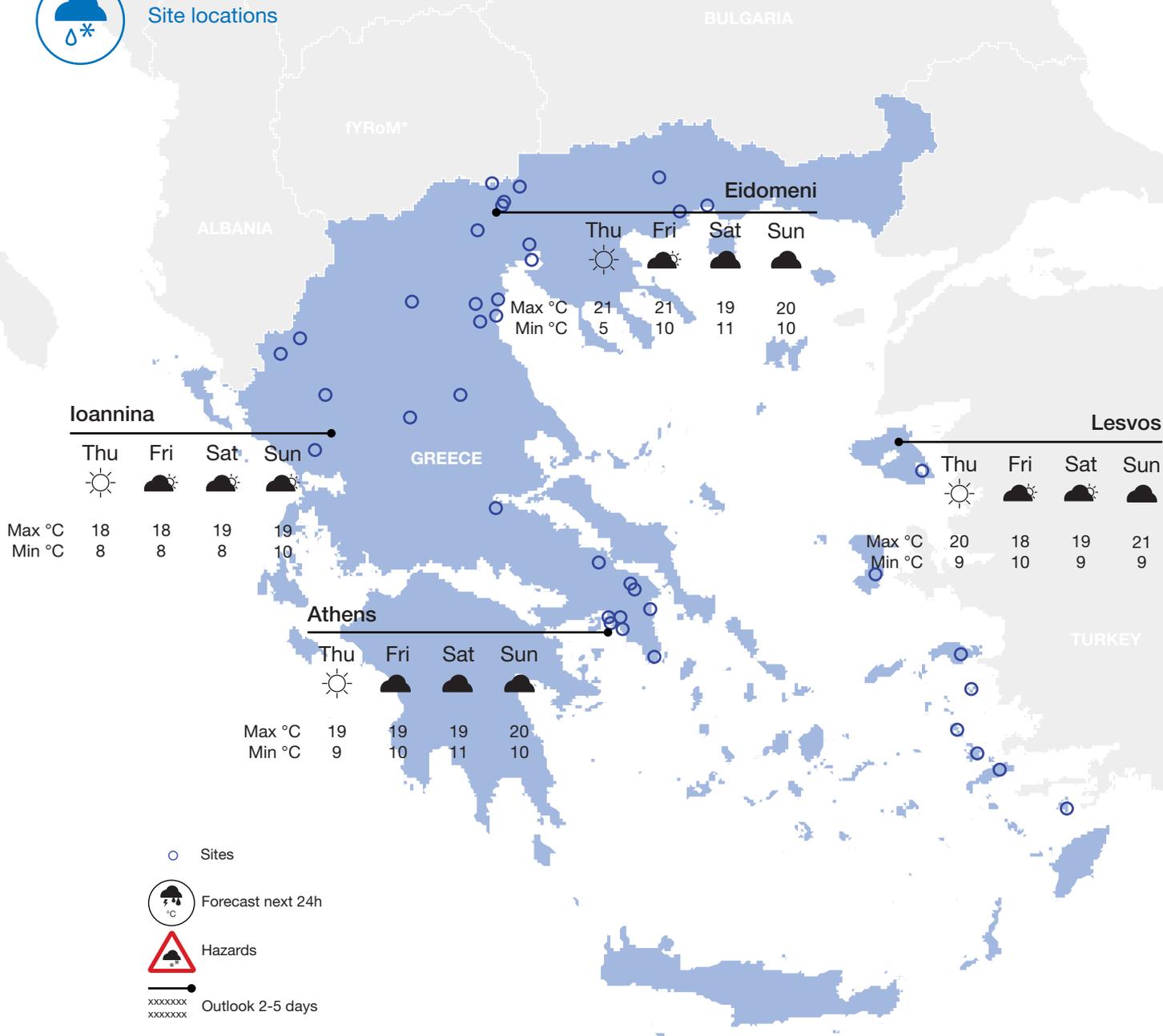


Situation Overview





Weather Forecast Greece
Site locations



Tomorrow
Thursday 31 March

Mainly fine and dry with scattered cloud at times. Low cloud and poor visibility in the far NW of the Aegean Sea and adjacent Greek coastline through the day. Feeling warm in the strong sunshine with temperatures well above the seasonal average. Winds light with calm seas.

Friday 1 April

Still dry with light or moderate winds, with increasing amounts of high cloud through the afternoon and evening. The exception once again low cloud and poor visibility in the far NW of the Aegean Sea and adjacent Greek coastline. Seas remaining calm.

Outlook
Saturday 2 April - Monday 4 April

Remaining settled, with generally fine, dry and warmer than average temperatures across the region. Risk of a few showers, especially by day, but these more likely to the west and north of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Winds remaining light to moderate, with seas calm or slight or slight.

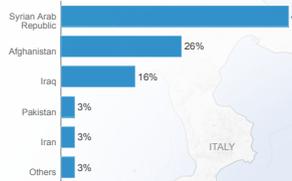


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Key Figures from the Portal**

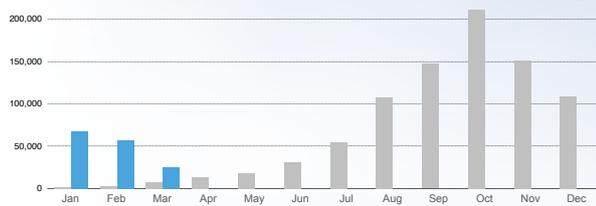
Increasing numbers of refugees and migrants take their chances aboard unseaworthy boats and dinghies in a desperate bid to reach Europe. The vast majority of those attempting this dangerous crossing are in need of international protection, fleeing war, violence and persecution in their country of origin. Every year these movements continue to exact a devastating toll on human life.

Top-10 nationalities of Mediterranean sea arrivals

Top-10 nationalities represent **100%** of the sea arrivals based on arrivals since 1 Jan 2016



Comparison of monthly Mediterranean sea arrivals



149,534 arrivals by sea in 2016

856,723 arrivals by sea in 2015

91% of arrivals come from the world's top 10 refugee-producing countries



Demographics based on arrivals since 1 Jan 2016



*Serbia (AND KOSOVO: S/RES/1244 (1999))
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Following the humanitarian crisis in Europe: Estimated daily arrivals

