



**REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
TURKISH COAST GUARD COMMAND**



**CURRENT OPERATIONS
22 FEBRUARY 2017**

On 22 February 2017 at 00.53 a.m., upon receiving a notification regarding that some irregular migrants headed for the sea with a boat from Çanakkale's Ayvacık district/Babakale Burnu, CG boat was dispatched and detected the mentioned boat at 01.25 a.m.

Despite all the warnings of CG boat, the mentioned boat went further towards the west of Midilli. 1 CG SAR ship and 2 CG boat were assigned as well in order to intercept the migrant boat. As a result of the operation, the mentioned boat was intercepted 42 miles off the southeast of Babakale Burnu within international waters at 06.50 a.m.

49 Pakistani migrants and 1 Azerbaijani and 1 Russian persons considered to be organizers on board were apprehended and transferred to Küçükkyu Port. The boat of the migrants was towed by CG boat to Babakale Port.