



REPUBLIC OF TURKEY  
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Turkish Coast Guard Command



CURRENT OPERATIONS  
27 July 2017

On 27 July 2017 at 21.00 p.m., a notification was conveyed by a sailing boat regarding that a migrant boat sank off the coast of İzmir's Çeşme district/the north part of Karaada. 3 CG boat, 1 CG diving team and 1 CG helicopter were dispatched to the scene. As a result of the SAR operation, 4 Iraqi, 3 Somalian and 2 Syrian, totally 9 irregular migrants (2 women, 6 men and 1 child) were rescued alive but 5 women and 2 children, totally 7 irregular migrants lost their lives on board the sunken boat. The survivors were transferred to Çeşme Public Hospital. According to the statements of the survivors, there were 17 irregular migrants and 1 Turkish organizer on board the migrant boat. The organizer who reached to the shore by swimming while the migrant boat started to sink off was apprehended on land on 28 July 2017. SAR operation is still ongoing for the purpose of finding the 1 missing migrant.

