



**REPUBLIC OF TURKEY
MINISTRY OF INTERIOR
Turkish Coast Guard Command**



**CURRENT OPERATIONS
11 January 2018**

On 10 January 2017 at 23.50 p.m., a notification was received regarding that a group of migrant on board an inflatable boat made distress call off the coast of İzmir's Foça district/the northern part of Aslan Burnu.

During the SAR operation initiated by 2 CG boat and 1 CG Helicopter, the location of the mentioned boat was detected. The boat was taking on water as it deflated. In order to rescue the lives of the migrants, a rescue-platform was provided and a SAR officer was sent to the sea.

A migrant who fell into the sea from the migrant boat was rescued alive by SAR officer. Later, the other migrants were taken on board CG board safely. After a while, the migrant boat sank off. According to the statements of the migrants, there was no other missing migrant. So, the SAR operation was ended.

Among the rescued migrants, there were 13 Afghans, 8 Syrians, 6 Sierra Leoneans, 6 Angolans, 3 Eritreans, 2 Malians, 1 Iraqi, 1Somalian, 1 Comorian. Totally, 41 irregular migrants were transferred to Foça.



