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Briefing by Erasmia Roumana (Snr. Protection Associate, UNHCR) on a draft legal framework regarding the establishment and operation of the 'Reception and Identification Service'.

Mrs. Roumana explained the draft framework and the differences with the current law to avoid confusion on terms as deportation, relocation, and readmission, and also briefed on new detention rules.

With the new amendments on the law that has to be approved in parliament, the FRC will become RIS (Reception and Identification Service).

The draft bill takes into consideration the vulnerable cases defined under the Greek law in order to be referred and fast tracked.

As key points there will be two stages:

A- The Identification, Registration, Profiling, and Referral stage.

B- The Issuance of the police notice (administrative decision on further treatment)

Mr. Pavlos Michalakellis, General Director of the General Secretariat of the Aegean & Island Policy answered the questions of the audience on the registration process and on the forms that are now available in both Greek and English for individual volunteers and NGOs.

A front desk will be set to have direct contact with those who will register in order to assist them and provide necessary information.

The deadline for the registration of the NGOs and volunteers is the 15th of March for those who are working in Lesvos, after this date there will be checkup from monitoring committee, however the registration process is ongoing as long as new NGOs and volunteers are coming to Lesvos.

Next week ID for the registered NGO, volunteers will be issued and the foreseen validity is one year.

The status of every NGO and staff should be updated every month on line in case of changes.

The <u>necessity of registration to all NGOs and volunteers</u> in order to better understand their work and assist them and benefit better from their presence where needed.