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SUDANESE MIGRANTS IN GREECE

VIDEO

MEDITERRANEAN SEA/ BOATS,
PORT OF PATRAS

TRUCKS ARRIVING

MS. MOJAHED AND FRIENDS WALK
ON TRAIN TRACKS

MOJAHED SEATED IN TRAIN CAR

MOJAHED WALKS WITH FRIENDS,
PICKS THROUGH GARBAGE

MAN EATS GARBAGE LEFTOVERS

AUDIO

NARRATION:

Patras, Greece, a Port City and major transit point for hundreds of migrants from across Africa and Asia into Europe. (8)

Mojahed from Sudan arrived here a few months ago after fleeing the violence in Darfur. (4.5)

MOJAHED: (English) **M**

"I left Darfur by force, because the Janjaweed and the government came to shooting us, killing our grandpa, grandma, everything, burning our houses." (9)

NARRATION:

He fled to nearby Chad and stayed for a year in a refugee camp. He wanted a better life, he wanted a future. (7)

But these days his better life means scrounging through the city's garbage. He's

making a meal out of others' refuse, along with his friends also from Sudan looking for food. (11)

MOJAHED ON CAMERA

MOJAHED: (English) **M**

"It's so hard for me. It's very difficult for me to search from the garbage because just I feel hungry so much. It's very difficult." (7)

GREEK WOMAN PASSERBY
STARES AT THE MEN LOOKING
THROUGH GARBAGE

NARRATION:

The pickings are slim and local people seem not to believe what they are seeing. (4)

MATTRESS ON STREET

According to the UN refugee agency UNHCR, more than 44,000 migrants crossed into Greece last year. (8)

SHIP / PORT AUTHORITY

Commander of the Patras Port Authority, Lazaros Chanoumides. (4)

LAZAROS CHANOUMIDES ON
CAMERA

CHANOUMIDES: (English) **M**

"Greece is one of the countries that is chosen by the immigrants in order to pass to Europe." (7)

MOJAHED AND FRIENDS WALK
ALONG TRAIN TRACKS

NARRATION:

Many of the migrants end up here at the Patras train station. (5)

MOJAHED ON CAMERA

MOJAHED: (English) **M**

"Let me show you the place where people are sleeping. This is our rooms, our house, our everything. This is our kitchen – we

PAN DOWN TO COOKING POT ON
GROUND

*come to make cooking here. When we get
some food from the garbage, we come to
cook here.” (15)*

MAN BRUSHES HIS TEETH AT
TRAIN TRACKS

NARRATION:

Mojahed hasn't applied for asylum, nor
have his friends. The process is long and
rarely brings a positive result, he says.
Instead, he would rather take his chances
smuggling himself into Europe. (12.5)

NIGHT SHOT. MIGRANTS TRYING
TO SNEAK INTO THE REAR OF A
TRUCK

Day or night they try to board the transport
trucks that can get them onto the ships.
They hide under the carriage or inside if
they can, all in the hope of getting onto a
ferry that will cross over to Italy. (12)

NIGHT SHOT. MAN CLIMBING
TRUCK

The journey is risky and some people die
trying. (3.5)

Yet they refuse to give up. (1.5)

MOJAHED CLIMBS ON TRAIN

Mojahed has tried to cross a few times but
has been unsuccessful. He says he will try
again. He also says his claim to asylum
should be given more consideration. (9.5)

MOJAHED ON CAMERA

MOJAHED: (English) **M**

*“Give us the right to live; because we are
human beings, you know. We are human
beings. We need to lead a good life – no
fighting, no something like this.” (9)*

NARRATION:

REFUGEES FLOAT AT SEA, NAVY
INTERCEPTS THEM

GREEK FLAG & AUTHORITIES /
OFFICER WITH BINOCULARS

UN LOGO

UNHCR has pledged its support for Greece's reform plan to ensure a fair and efficient asylum procedure. But until that happens, the fate of the migrant's remains uncertain. (12.5)

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