

Introductory Statement to Situation in Libya: Crisis within a crisis

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We should be very grateful to the Global Initiative to have organize that meeting about smuggling of migrants as part of the crisis or as it is said in the title of that conference Crisis in a crisis

Each time we consider political crisis we speak about it at that level we speak about conflict intervention of influence of foreign actors. However, conflict and violence perfect are basis for TOC. Nevertheless, it is quite true that organized crime leaves and gets prosperity from a conflict situation and a conflict situation. Actually, insurgency and organized crime for this type of criminal activity mutually reinforces each other, especially concerning smuggling of migrants human trafficking, drugs and goods trafficking. We can find that everywhere in the World.

Yes, but in Libya, it is even worse. They could even be confusion or amalgamation between insurgency groups and between insurgents.

The World illicit report of last year already gave us evidences about.

What is even more dangerous in the Libya crisis is first that criminal activities become normal, and second that law enforcement are replaced by militia, and prosecution and judiciary do not receive any mark of respect from the population.

In that context, when civil society in Libya suffer so much from political violence as well as organized crime activities, it has even no appetite to look after smuggling of migrants' activities of organized criminal groups.

Of course, it looks like, in that context, smuggling of migrants is easy to undertake and many measures are necessary to counter it.

It should also be said that nowadays, due a stronger response of the international community, including SC of the United Nations but also the work done by NGS and organizations like GI, States, in particular European States, have started to take action on that terrible criminal phenomenon. You know what...organized crime is moving to other types of criminal activities which are more discrete and less controversial...

Still GI will continue to look into all those matters and will not leave transnational organized crime in peace!

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