

Dott.ssa Brunella Sardoni
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Dear Prosecutor Sardoni,

I am concerned about the ongoing investigation against the "iuventa10" – the crew members of the rescue ship Iuventa which was impounded by the Italian authorities on 2 August 2017.

Despite having rescued 14,000 people, they are accused of "facilitating the irregular entry of refugees and migrants" in relation to three separate rescue operations that happened in the Mediterranean in 2016 and 2017.

The "Iuventa10" have been waiting for the outcome of the criminal investigation for almost three years, with no formal charges brought against them. The independent organization Forensic Architecture has reconstructed the events and gathered evidence showing that the Iuventa crew were saving lives.

I therefore urge you to drop the investigation against the Iuventa10.

Yours sincerely

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