



MIGRANT HANDLING TRAINING MANUAL

To be consulted by
personnel deployed on
EUNAVFOR MED Operation SOPHIA

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General description

This manual is designed to provide guidance and best practice in relation to the treatment of migrants on board, paying particular attention to the rights of the individual, and the correct manner in which to deal with vulnerable people.