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Solidary visit to war refugees in Belgrade Parks

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On July 21st 2016, we (Ljiljana Radovanovic and Milos Urosevic activists of the Women in Black) went in the park near Central Bus Station in Belgrade to visit war refugees.

On the way to the park, we saw that there were refugees in neighboring streets and in Miksalište (volunteers run refugee center). Before leaving the park, we stopped by the store and bought bananas, chocolates and snacks. Before coming to the park, we have prepared small packages and put all of them in two big bags.

With two bags of humanitarian aid we went to the park and we thought that we will share the aid as any other previous time.

One part of the park has been plowed and surrounded by a high fence, while the refugees were lying and sitting on the grass in the rest of the park. We were headed towards a group where there were women and children. However, at the time when we came to the park and stood with them, more young men came and began to take the food out of the bags, we weren't able to maintain the order and share equally to everyone.

Soon it was all gone and then volunteers of Infopark arrived.

They thanked us for bringing help, but they told us that it is no longer working, and next time, we should give them aid and they will organize sharing to the refugees.

They told us that the refugees are hungry because there is not enough food.

This shows the difficult situation in which the refugees currently in, because until now they have never behaved in such a way. Each previous time they neatly lined up and we were able to share the aid in order.

Their desperate situation, the struggle for survival shows that Serbia is doing nothing to ease their stay in this country and to help them on their way.

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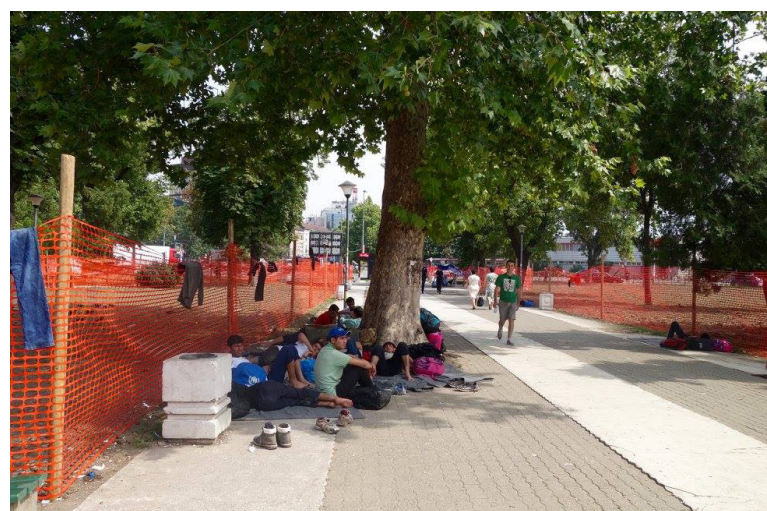
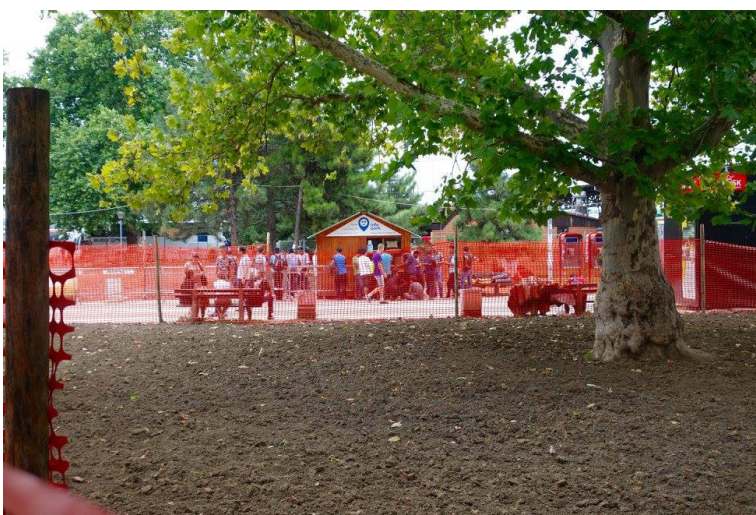


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