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### Deaths at detention centres neither random nor exceptional

**Doctors of the World Greece (DotW) expresses its deep sorrow about the death – the third in a week – of a person at the Reception and Identification Centre in Moria camp, on Lesbos.**

**DotW restates its firm position that decent and safe living conditions for people in the camps are far more important than anything in the EU-Turkey Agreement.**



Just a few days after the death of two people in the Reception and Identification Centre in Moria camp, on Lesbos island, an eighteen year-old boy was found dead today, while another was transferred to hospital.

As DotW Greece, we express our deep sorrow about the death – the third in one week – at the Moria Centre.

Although no official statement has been made about the cause of death in any of these incidents, each has been connected to the inhalation of heater fumes or other improvised heating devices refugees are being forced to use in the camps.

DotW Greece is the only organisation providing primary healthcare services at Moria camp.

We have already publicly highlighted the serious risks to the health and even the life of its residents, due to the difficult living conditions there.

And we repeat: decent and safe living conditions for people in the camps must be the absolute priority – far above anything listed as part of the EU-Turkey Agreement.