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Dear [redacted]

Please find hereafter the weekly highlights.

Good afternoon from Tirana,
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Past week highlights

Albania

Italy to Transfer Irregular Migrants to Albania for Up to 18 Months before Repatriation. The Italian government has enacted a decree allowing the transfer of irregular migrants from detention centers in Italy to reception facilities in Albania, specifically in Gjadër and Shëngjin. According to the decree, migrants whose asylum applications have been denied may be relocated to the Gjadër center for up to 18 months while awaiting acceptance from their countries of origin for repatriation. However, the final deportation will take place from Italian territory, meaning that after their stay in Albania, migrants will return to Italy before being repatriated to their home countries. The Italian Interior Minister described this initiative as a “reactivation of an existing function of the center.” He also indicated that a decision from the European Court of Justice is anticipated in the coming weeks or months, which the Italian government believes will align with its position. Initially, the Gjadër center was designated to house asylum seekers rescued at sea by Italian military vessels from countries deemed safe for a maximum of 28 days, during which accelerated border procedures would be carried out. Under the new regulation, detained migrants at Gjadër may remain for up to 18 months until their countries of origin agree to their return. This move follows previous legal challenges to Italy’s plans for migrant transfers. Currently, the agreement between Italy and Albania remains in effect, having been ratified by the Albanian parliament.

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