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Following the Schengen Evaluation Working Party meeting of 30 June 2006, please find hereunder the responses to the additional questions presented to Slovenia via Permanent Representation of the Republic of Slovenia to the European Union, which were made by the Netherlands delegation on the Draft Report on Land Borders, item 2.7 - Readmission, expulsion and illegal immigration. Carriers liability.

1. What is the total number of removals (on readmission agreements and otherwise) from Slovenia in 2005?

In 2005, 3.229 persons were removed and readmitted from Slovenia: from this total number, 2.042 persons according to bilateral readmission agreements, while 1.187 persons were removed by the police to their countries of origin.

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2. What is the total number of illegal aliens detected in 2005 (inland and at the border)?

In 2005, the total number of illegal border crossings was 6.565. The numbers includes persons who illegally crossed the border (5.890) as well as aliens detected inland residing illegally in the country (675).

From the total number of illegal border crossings (6.565), there were 279 EU citizens (including citizens of the Republic of Slovenia) and citizens from Croatia who unintentionally crossed the border, either by mistake or by negligence; 2.604 aliens applied for asylum and thus they were not removed from the country; 313 aliens left the country by themselves after their illegal stay in the country had been established; in total 3.196 aliens.

3. According to these numbers, what is the percentage of detected aliens that is removed from Slovenia?

In 2005, the percentage of detected aliens removed or readmitted from Slovenia is nearly 98%.

As it has been already explained, 3.196 persons either left the country by themselves or expressed their intention to apply for asylum and they, according to Geneva Convention, could not be removed or readmitted from the country, while 3.229 were removed according to bilateral readmission agreements or were removed by the police in their countries of origin; in total 6.425 persons.

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