ABR is mainly using information gathered directly from the ground, on a daily basis, but also filling the gaps with statistical data from N.C.C.B.C., I.A, UNHCR and Turkish Coast Guard Command. The goal is to provide natural reliable information on a daily basis to the public, on the ongoing refugee crisis in the Aegean Sea. (2018)

In 2018, people arriving has increased 11%, compared to 2017. 899 boats made it to the Greek islands, carrying 32429 people. Boats arriving has increased 23.7% compared to 2017, when 727 boats arrived, carrying 29229 people. Winter has reduced arrivals the last month, but only temporary.

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Total arrivals has increased 11% compared to 2017. 1977 boats started their trip towards the Greek islands in 2018, carrying a total of 72799 people. 899 boats made the trip, carrying a total of 32429 people, the rest, 1078 boats, 40370 people, were arrested by the Turkish Coast guard and Police. Over 4 million refugee’s lives in Turkey, and the shortest route to Europe goes over the Aegean Sea to the Greek Islands. This refugee crisis will not end, until the world finds a permanent solution, and safe passage for people fleeing from persecution and war. Open the borders!