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Amnesty International spokespeople available for World Refugee Day

"150 bodies were found in the sea off the Tunisian Kerkennah islands only a few weeks ago. These bodies were of people who fled the violent conflict in Libya to seek safety in Europe. Their death added to the toll of refugees and migrants that die trying to reach Europe; more than 1,400 so far this year,"

Sherif Elsayed-Ali, Head of Refugee and Migrants' Rights at Amnesty International

Monday 20 June is World Refugee Day. Amnesty International has a wide variety of experts available to give interviews in studio, by phone or ISDN in languages including English, French, Arabic and Spanish.

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