Bi-weekly press briefing: Libya migrant shooting IOM/UNHCR

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The migrant was struck by a bullet in the stomach despite immediately receiving medical aid on
On the spot by an IOM doctor and then being transferred to a nearby clinic he died 2 hours
after admission.

IOM staff who were on the scene to provide aid to the migrants report the armed men began
shooting in the air where several migrants try to run away from their gods.
The tragedy occurred at opposite the disembarkation point in Tripoli as many of the 103
migrants return to shore resistant being sent back to detention centers.
The use of live bullets against unarmed vulnerable civilians, men women and children
alike is unacceptable under any circumstances.

UNHCR condemns this deplorable act it is now irrefutable
clear that the refugees and migrants must not be return to Libya after being rescued at sea.
it can not be considered a safe port and at the same time far greater effort to needed to provide
safe alternative pathways to Asylum to refugees don't feel so desperate that they
risk their lives on the dangerous boat journeys in the first place.
The situation since April has deteriorated severely an increased fighting means that a real renewed sense of urgency about getting people out of Harm's Way Out of danger and safety.