

# *Italy rescues almost 1,000 migrants at sea*

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Rome, Apr 11, (RHC), – Italian ships have rescued almost 1,000 migrants from three overcrowded skiffs near the coast of Libya.

Italy's coast guard said they received a distress call by satellite phone went out on Friday.

The migrants were being taken to ports in Sicily, the coast guard added, without giving details of their nationalities.

Refugees and migrants from the Middle East and Africa regularly risk the hazardous journey between Libya and Sicily to reach the European Union.

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