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## UN URGES RETHINK AFTER 45 MIGRANTS DROWN OFF LIBYA

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The UN says countries must review their approach to migration across the Mediterranean after 45 people recently died in a ship sinking off Libya. It said it was the largest confirmed shipwreck in the area this year.

Forty-five people, including five children, died on Monday when their boat sank off the coast of Libya, the UN's refugee agency UNHCR said on Wednesday, calling the disaster "the largest registered shipwreck" in the area this year.

Thirty-seven people who survived the catastrophe, which reportedly occurred after the boat's engine blew up, were rescued by local fishermen and arrested after being returned to Libya, according to the UN's migration agency, the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

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