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We went to sea in the boat

LEO

500

SUZ

My husband

LEO

More

SUZ

Me

LEO

Women

SUZ

And three other couples

LEO

Old people and children

SUZ

To unwind.

LEO

Risking everything to escape

LEO/SUZ

We'd worked all Winter.

LEO

To pay the traffickers.

SUZ/LEO

Waited for the sea to calm.

SUZ

We had dinner, drinks.

LEO

Packed like the slaves from Africa

SUZ

The chatter of old friends

LEO

500 souls

SUZ

Who'd know each other for years

LEO

Strangers, looking for a new life.

SUZ

Relaxed, happy

LEO

Terrified.

SUZ

I was dozing.

LEO/SUZ

When day broke.

SUZ

I heard strange sounds.

LEO

Someone shouted "Land"

SUZ/LEO

Far away.

LEO

"I see land"

SUZ

I went on deck

LEO

People shoved to one side

SUZ

The others were there

SUZ/LEO

Trying to see

SUZ

What that sound was

LEO

The deck lurched.

SUZ

Seagulls?

LEO

People screamed.

SUZ

Not seagulls.

LEO

The sea swept over us.

SUZ

Dear God no.

LEO

A sea of thrashing limbs.

SUZ

It can't be

LEO

Smashing down on me.

SUZ

People

LEO

I kick and punch.

SUZ

In the water

LEO

To keep my head up

SUZ

Screaming.

LEO

To stop from

LEO/SUZ

Drowning

SUZ

We fired up the engine

LEO

Help!

SUZ

Headed towards the screeching

LEO

Help us!

SUZ

We got to the first group

LEO

A boat

The men leant over the side

LEO

One small boat

SUZ

Grabbed at an arm

LEO

I swam towards it

SUZ

Pulled the body up

LEO

Over here!

SUZ

A youth

LEO

I swim towards it.

SUZ

Naked

LEO

Call out

SUZ

Vomiting sea water

LEO

Over here!

SUZ

Bowels emptying

LEO

I can't get to it.

SUZ

My friend brings up blankets.

LEO

I scream.

SUZ

The boy cowers in shame

LEO

I can't go on.

I cover him as the men drag more bodies onto the deck.

LEO

The boat moves towards me.

SUZ

The men have seen another group.

LEO

Help me!

SUZ

So many in the water still

LEO

I reach up

SUZ

We'll never save them all

LEO

A hand reaches down

SUZ

How can we save them all?

LEO

I can't hold on.

SUZ

I comfort the ones we have

LEO

I'm covered in oil

SUZ

My husband hauls up a man

LEO

His nails dig into my flesh.

SUZ

He looks half dead

LEO

I'm on the deck awash in human excrement

SUZ

He points back to the water

LEO

Children

I can't understand him

LEO

Children in the water

SUZ

Children?

LEO

Many children.

SUZ

I could only weep.

LEO

40 of us, more, on the deck now.

SUZ

The boat was dangerously low

LEO

Hundreds still in the water

SUZ

So many we couldn't save.

LEO

I wanted to jump back in

SUZ/LEO

I felt powerless

LEO

I couldn't move

SUZ

And even now

LEO

Every day

SUZ/LEO

I hear that terrible noise

LEO

Hundreds of people

SUZ

Shrieking

LEO

Crying out

Like seagulls

LEO/SUZ Hundreds of people

SUZ

Drowning.