

Italian prosecutors probe Mediterranean tragedy

Italian prosecutors are investigating the deaths of 26 Nigerian women – most of them teenagers – whose bodies were recovered at sea. [BBC News](#) reports that **there are suspicions that they may have been sexually abused and murdered** as they attempted to cross the Mediterranean. Five migrants are being questioned in the southern port of Salerno. This after a Spanish warship docked there with 375 migrants and the victims. People-smuggling gangs charge each migrant about \$6 000 to get to Italy, \$4 000 of which is for the trans-Saharan journey to Libya.