TWENTY-SIX HOURS OF INTENSIVE WORK

The Budapest Police Headquarters carried out the scene investigation of the Hableány in twenty-six hours, two days

The Hableány capsized on 29 May 2019 in the Danube boat accident was lifted on 11 June 2019 and transferred to a Csepel port that afternoon. Colleagues of the Budapest Police Headquarters, the Prosecutor's Office, crime scene investigators of the National Bureau of Investigation of the Rapid Response and Special Police Service and members of the DG for Disaster Management carried out the scene investigation of the boat by involving technical, judicial and nautical shipping experts.

Twenty-three police officers from 4 different fields – crime scene investigation, traffic policing, Danube water policing and criminal investigation – of the Budapest Police Headquarters took part in the scene investigation of 26 hours, two days. During the scene investigation carried out by using cutting edge technology (3D), altogether 34 gigabytes of video footage and 9 gigabytes of pictures were recorded and all damages and deformations of the ship were registered. In order to obtain all personal and material evidence and to clarify the case, communication and data recording devices of the Hableány were seized.

During the scene investigation of 26 hours, the Disaster Management staff of 20 persons present at the scene removed 5 cubic metres of diesel contaminated water, 2 cubic metres of diesel fuel and 7 cubic metres of diesel contaminated sand, sludge and other dangerous substances from the hull.

No other bodies were found during the scene investigation; the search continues on the whole southern section of the Danube with doubled staff, all available vessels and with the assistance of land units on the banks.

The Budapest Police Headquarters seized the Hableány, get her transferred from the port of Csepel to the port of Újpest and continuously guard her there.