Refugees: digitalization and the role of proper names in transidiomatic interactions

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New Scrabble to Allow Proper Names

Mattel to Introduce Rule Changes to a Version of Popular Board Game, Permitting Names of People and Places for First Time (Milton Bradley, CBS) Last updated at 5:26 p.m. EST

There are three constants in life: Death, taxes, and no allowing proper nouns in Scrabble. But that is about to change.

Mattel has announced it will sell a new version of the classic board game that will, for the first time in history, allow players to count the names of people, places, companies and brands.

A spokeswoman for Mattel told BBC News that allowing proper nouns would "add a new dimension" to the game that would "enable younger fans and families around the world to get involved." (...)

A triple word score for rapper Jay-Z, for example, would net the player 69 points.



Asylum interview at Care, Rome.

importance of referentiality



Teleconference, Cisco Systems, 2011

Proper Names in transidiomatic interactions 2

PN believed to have fairly stable, recognizable forms



PN believed to carry denotation not connotation

Proper Names (PN) in multilingual encounters1

Deterritorialized speakers seek out PN as anaphoric signposts within turns produced in languages they do not understand:

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Music Store interaction (Reynolds and Orellana, 2009)
        man, first generation Mexican migrant;
Mr B
        his daughter, second generation;
SC
        store clerk, Anglo
        dile que hemos sacados muchos instrumentos aqui
Mr. B
        he says that his band has taken out a lot of instruments
        from here?
(...)
        is that uh José Rodriguez or who's=
SC
        = yeah, José Rodriguez =
Mr. B
        = José? Yeah.
SC
        (that one) tuba =
Mr. B
        = tubas and stuff, yeah
SC
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Proper names in multilingual institutional encounters

Institutional boards seek out referential language, and in particular PN

Senza Confine, Roma, May 20, 2009

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AS young man, Pashtun (AS = asylum seeker)
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O young woman, Italian (O = officer)

middle age woman, Farsi (spoke Dari with AS) (I = interpreter)

O [to I] I' udienza si terrà O [to I] the hearing will be held in Rome or Caserta?

AS = Roma = AS Rome

Crosstalk 2.0

Immigration Appellate Court, Glasgow (Good 2008: 179)

Asylum seeker (AS) woman, Bengali

Officer (O) British English (Home Office Presenting Officer)

Judge (J) British English (Adjudicator)

O HE says that HIS grandfather suggested the marriage!

AS my grandfather did, yes.

O ((eagerly)) his or yours?

(...) ((long pause))

J Mr. M, they are cousins; they have the same grandfather.

- → lack of shared knowledge for interpreting shifters
- → denotational referentiality preferred over indexicality
- → use of proper names as preferred communicative practice [VIDEO]



in institutional settings

believed to be easily transferrable from language to language

believed to have high denotational value

PN as communicative technologies of disciplinary power

linked to identity (ID papers, databases, etc.)

"Modern disciplinary power can be located in the capacity to examine subjects, name them, and establish dossiers". (Foucault)



Commissione Territoriale Asilo (main members) Rome, Italy

Search for denotational accuracy

Seeking rigid designators
personal names
toponyms
chrononyms

Proper Names in institutional multilingual encounters

Registration Office, UNHCR, Tirana, March 8, 2000 (Jacquemet 2005)

AS young man, Gheg Albanian I young man, Gheg Albanian O young woman, Japanese

 $O \leftrightarrow I$

O so can you ask him some questions about this part of Kosovo?

 $I \leftrightarrow R$

pa thuma tash ndonjë fshat të rrethinës së malishevës aty?

AS po (..) është- belanica/
thuj mbas qysh i thone belza- bajaprejucaki- seniti- është:: (..)
si e ke emrin- është klecka njënjë lagje komplet në prizrensa thashë unë- pese t' i? thashe?
(..) pastaj vjen durgazi-

vjen bllaca- vjen kemecia- asht=

l =shume mire

 $O \leftrightarrow I$

yes he knows well that region.

PN believed to boost credibility

I now, can you name any village of the Malisheva area?

AS yes..there is- Belanica and after it I say Belza, Baja, Prejucaki, Seniti, then:: .. what's its name... Klecka, this is a-a-large neighbourhood in Prizrenhow many did I mention? five? (..) then there's Durgazi

then Bllaca, then Kemecia, that's it=

Seeking proper names

Senza Confine, Roma, May 22, 2009

AS young man, Kurmanji native speaker lyoung man, Kurmanji native speaker Law young woman, Italian native speaker

l e la famiglia è ancora perseguita I and the family is still persecuted quando fermano ai posti di blocco when they are stopped at checkpoints chiedono di loro they ask about them

Law e chi glielo ha detto?

Law and who told him this fact?

l dal villaggio= I

Law =da chi? da chi? Law who? who?

è mica un coro greco they are not a Greek chorus!

I kè tera got? I who told so?

AS zavè min

I il cognato=

AS my brother-in-law
I his brother-in-law

Law =perchè non voleva dirlo? Law and why didn't want to say it?

forse aveva paura del cognato= I maybe he's afraid of his brother-in-law

the village

Law =chiedilo a lui Law ask him

(continues)

Seeking proper names b

	çe ma te berè negot?		who told you that?
AS	ahakari	AS	the people
1	beh, noi diciamo la gente	1	well, we say the people
	il cognato ha saputo		the brother-in-law heard it
	da un altro signore del villaggio		from another man in the village
	e li hanno informati		and they told them
Law	CHI li ha informati?	Law	WHO told them?
1	kè tera got?	1	who told them?
AS	zavè min	AS	the brother-in-law
1	il cognato		the brother-in-law
Law	vabbene, nome?	Law	alright! What's his name?
1	navè wi çiye?		what's his name?
AS	Hussein Ocalan	AS	Hussein Ocalan
Law	000::!	Law	finally!

Chrononyms (a)

UNHCR, Tirana March 3, 2000

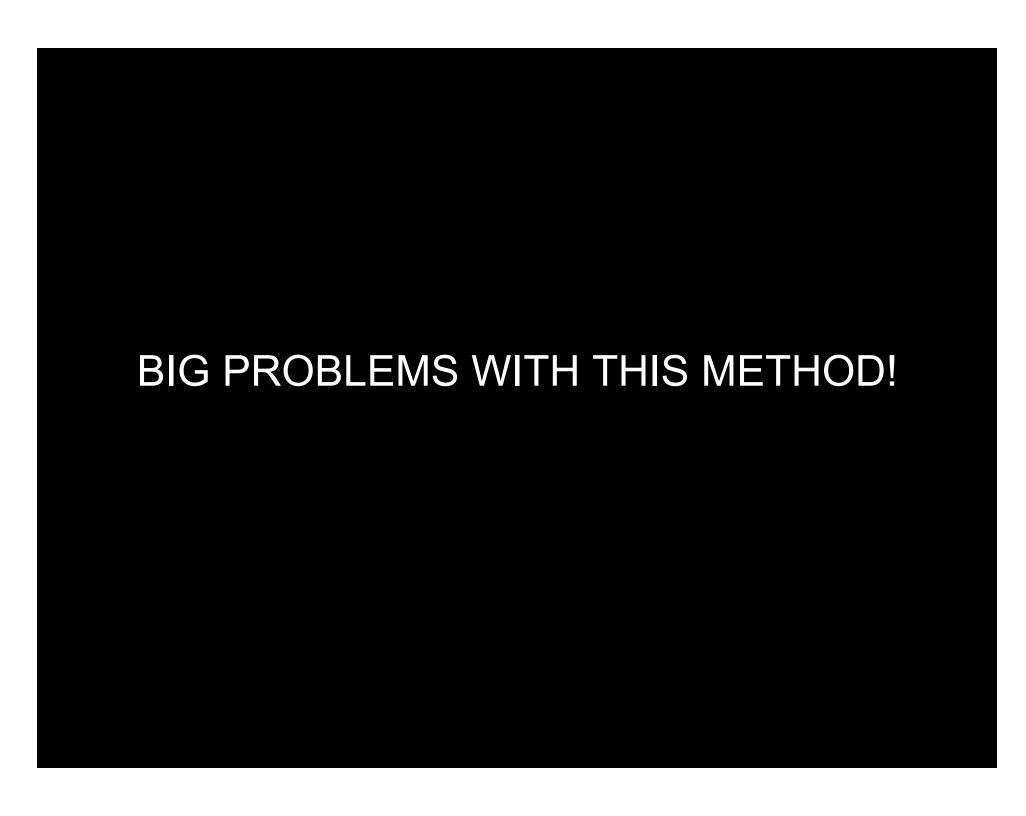
- AS young woman, Gheg Albanian
- I young man, Kosovar Albanian
- O young woman, Japanese
- I ku është pazari në dragash masi ke përmend pazarin ku asht?
- AS po qysh me ta thanë une.. në qendër\
- I në qendër? Nuk është në qendër
- AS ma sa futesh në dragashngjitesh pak përpjetë qaty asht pazari ka qenë/ tashti unë s' e di-
- (..)
- I nuk është aty
- AS po po si futesh në dragash-
- l po
- AS ec pak sipër është pazari qatje
- I yes she describe that is on the right side

- Where is the bazaar in Dragash since you mentioned it?
- AS but how can I explain it to you... in the center
 - in the center? It's not in the center
- AS as you enter Dragashyou go uphill there is the bazaar it used to be there now I don't know
- I it's not there
- AS yes yes as you enter Dragash
- I yes
- AS you go uphill the bazaar is on the right
- I yes she describe it being on the right side

(continues)

Chrononyms (b)

O	uh uh	O	yes
	from the center but the lo-	1	from the center but the lo-
	the location of bazaar but uh=		the location of the bazaar
	is not so appropriately not so correct		is not so appropriately not so correct
O	ok and in which day	O	ok and in which day
	is the bazaar usually held?		is the bazaar usually held?
	çfarë dite asht pazari?		which day is bazaar?
AS	të premten	AS	Friday
	të premten?		Friday?
AS	ро	AS	yes
	E sigurtë?		are you sure?
AS	ро	AS	yes
	on Friday. that is correct.		on Friday that is correct
O	uh uh	O	yes
	yes.		yes



Problems with personal names

Preliminary Hearing, Belgian Asylum Courts (Maryns 2005: 280-281)

AS woman, Sudanese (prob. Fur)

O woman, Belgian

O I gonna start with the story

so what happened to you in Sudan that you have to leave the country

[30 lines omitted]

AS don't- when they are fighting we run

O you just run away uhum

and what happened to you

run away... so where to

AS one man... one man carry me, help me

O Karimi?

AS yeah

O it was a man or a woman?

AS man

From the officer's report:

[&]quot;A man named Karimi helped me leave the country"

Problems with toponyms

Immigration Appellate Court, Glasgow (Good 2007: 163)

AS Kurd

- I Kurd
- O British English
- J British English
- O According to your statement and your interview, you actually attended the HADEP building, but you didn't know the address of it. Why would it be?
- l xxx

AS xxx

There was a party building in N---. I knew the building, I knew where I was, I didn't have to know address. It's like in this country, I know where my friend lives, I don't have to know his address.

Problems with toponyms (2)

Belgian Asylum Courts (Maryns 2005:299)

- AS woman, Sierra Leone, prob. Njala
- O woman, Belgian
- O ok... your address in Sierra Leone
- AS Puba
- O Puba... no street name
- AS Puba
- O that is the city hen... Puba
- AS xxxxxxxx
- O what is it...
- AS I don't understand... that
- O Puba... is the city or the village?
- AS it's a VILLAge
- O yes... and the name of the street...
- AS what?
- O name of the street
- AS Puba
- O ALSO Puba?
- AS the name of the street
- O yes... your street has no name

Problems with chrononyms

Immigration Appellate Court, Glasgow (Good 2008: 173)

- AS Tamil
- I Tamil
- O British English
- O when did you arrive in Colombo?
- l xxx
- AS xxx
- I twenty-first September Ninety Nine
- O in your interview, page A4, you say you went to Colombo in August Ninety Nine?
- l xxx
- AS xxx avasti xxx
- I I went in August
- O remember the date in August?
- l xxx
- AS xxx
- I twenty first
- O so, twenty first August Ninety Nine

[long dialogue between AS and I involving use of names of various Tamil months]

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Pb. with chrononyms (b)

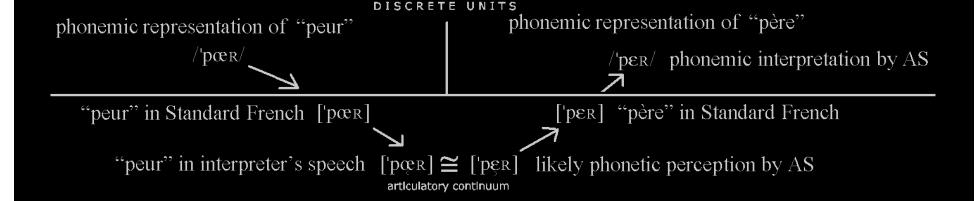
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I went on twenty first September Ninety Nine
O You just said you went in August.
I xxx
AS xxx
I lwent in September
O so can you explain why in your interview you said you went in August?
I xxx
AS xxx
I must have forgotten, I was frightened for my life, so I must have given wrong date.
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Problems with lexical items

Bougasse Case: "peur" vs. "père" (Jacquemet 2011)

Commissione Territoriale, Roma June, 11, 2009 AS young man, Ivory Coast I young woman, Serb (multilingual) O adult man, Italian

01	O	avete paura	O	are you afraid
02		di tornare al vostro paese?		to go back to your country?
03		de quoi avez-vous peur/père?		of what are you afraid/father of?
04	AS	de quoi?	AS	of what?
5	I	avez-vous peur/père au pays?	I	are you afraid/have you a father in your country?
06	AS	no, je n' ai pas de père	AS	no, I don't have a father
07	O	ma come?	O	how come [you are not afraid]?
80	1	quelle est votre peur/père?		what's your fear/father?
09	AS	je n' ai pas de père	AS	I don't have a father
10	1	lui non ha più padre		he doesn't have a father anymore
11	O	non capisco	O	I don't understand
12	()			
13	R	(metapragmatic intervention of	this	researcher to explain the confusion)



Denying credibility through toponyms

UNHCR, Tirana March 10, 2000

AS old woman, Gheg Albanian

I young man, Gheg Albanian

O young woman, Japanese

uh uh

only mountains ~fields

O

prej nga ke erdhe- ka ke shku? which way did you come? which way? AS we just walked the roads, AS vec kena ece nuk e di rruges qe me ardhe aty masandej kena -I don't know, to get there then, we climbed the mountains, ece malit kena ecewe spread among the fields at nightna kane Ishu neper fusha aty naten-=no she is saying the only-= no, she only says (the generals pushed us this way) AS =na kane pru gjeneralet ketu= ~mountains ~fields mountains, fields, mountains, fields. ~mountains ~fields 0 uh uh 0 yes nothing else\ nothing else, no names of villages or town no names of villages or town or some place where are people living/ or some place where people are living no names no names.

yes

only mountains and fields.

Denying credibility through proper names 2

Belgium Asylum Courts (Spotti 2015): B.K. case. AS claims to be from Konakry, Guinea; Father is Malinka; Mother is Peul; arbitrarily assigned mother tongue > Malinka; arbitrary assigned language for the procedure > French Report after asylum hearing: "the claimant does not know: the names of the four areas that make up Konakry municipality (which he just calls "la ville"); the name of the central mosque ("la grande mosquée"); the name of the bottled water most sold in Guinea; the name of the money used in Guinea ("l'argent"); the name of the football team in Konakry; the name of any Guinean TV channel ("la télé"); the name of the market where he went with his father. Whereas this court has concluded that B.K. is not a believable claimant."



Denotation and the digitalization of asylum

Software: Word processor/Machine Translation/ Photoshop

Hardware: Mobile devices

Web 2.0:

Dynamic/interactive websites

Online archiving of asylum records

Big data mining

1. Asylum seeker (AS) initial statement

Den lürkiye Fanlıurta viranşehir kadıkby köyü 15.05ve kurt bir vatandasım. Allece kurt olduğumuzin bizimde yapmaniz gereken bazi görevler vardi bunlari siziere søyle acıklayabilirim, ben ve kardesim 2005 yılında katıldığımız yörüyöste polisler tarafından yakalandık ve ül gan bizlere itkence ediyorlandı. daha sonra serbestbirakıldık ben ve kardesimin minübüsü vardı viranzehir ve kadikay árasında galıziyorduk viranzehirde dükkanımız vardi minubusció olduğumuz için pkkiya de yardım ediyor. duk yani belli bir noktamiz vardi o noktaya malzemegötürüyorduk pkk'lılara veriyorduk bu nedenle evimize sik sik baskılar yaptılar. 2006 yılında newroz kutlamasıyaparken o sırada jandarma karakolu taralında yapılan. baskında ben ve kardeşim göz altına alındık ve iki gün istence ettiler bu yüzden sık sık ailemize baskın yapıp arama yapıyorlardi. Daha sonna ben me ve kardesimviranzehir DTP binosinden sikarken polister torafinden yakalandik lskence ettiler ve bu iskencede sag kulagımdan büyük-dörtiğini bir danbe yedim ve suan kulak zarım patlak haldedir.

First account of main story

- Story broken down in seven narrative programs (NP, see Greimas 1979, 1982, Courtès 1991—based on Propp 1958):
- NP1: On September 25, 2007 I picked up, together with my brother, supplies for the PKK; we put them on our minibus and left the minibus on an agreed-upon spot.
- NP2: Abbas picked up the minibus but he was later arrested.
- NP3: After some hours without news from Abbas we got suspicious and left our village to stay in another village.
- NP4: In the morning we got the news that our family had been raided and all of them got arrested.
- NP5: We escaped to our uncle's town, Antalya.
- NP6: In Antalya our uncle found a networker.
- NP7: We left Turkey by boat on October 31, 2007 and arrived in Italy on November 11.

Software 1a: Word-processing (first draft prepared by interpreter)

speciale per guida minibus nr. E-08806

CITTADINANZA: Turchia		•	
RELIGIONE:			
DOCUMENTI PAESE D'ORIGINE: C.I. NR.	755442; patente di gi	juida ordinaria nr.	08806 e patente

DOCUMENTI ITALIANI: tessera sanitaria; codice fiscale; permesso di soggiorno per richiedenti asilo nr. 092881 del 23.4.09, rilasciato dalla Questura di Roma, con scadenza 23.7.2009.

He is not certain of the ages because he does not remember them

Viransehir nella provincia di Sanliurfa (Kurdistan, Turchia). Sono sposato e ho due figli, di 16 e 14 anni, ed una figlia di 12 anni [NON E' SICURO DELLE ETA' PERCHE' NON LE RICORDA]. Ho 5 fratelli ed una sorella. I miei genitori sono contaumi, contrano i campi ed allevavano il bestiame. Un fratello, Emin, è in Italia con me per chiedere asilo politico. Tutti gli altri membri della mia famiglia, invece, sono rimasti in Kurdistan. Sono ancora vivi ma psicologicamente distrutti perché continuano a subire irruzioni e controlli da parte della polizia turca.

Fino al 2007, quando sono dovuto scappare dal mio Paese, vivevo a Kadikoy e lavoravo tra il villaggio di Kadikoy e Viransehir. In particolare con mio fratello Emin avevamo un alimentari a Viransehir dove ci recavamo tutte le mattine per lavorare.

La mia famiglia è di etnia curda e sia io sia mio fratello Emin sin da giovani abbiamo militato per il partito curdo, prima HADEP e poi il DTP. Non avevamo la tessera del partito curdo perché temevamo di essera scaparti a essera compercianti, di mettere in pericolo oltre che la nostra vita e la nostra

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Senza Confine, Roma, May 14, 2009
(AS: young man, Kurdish; I: young man, Kurdish; Law: young woman, Italian)
Law che età hanno i figli?
                                      Law what's the age of his sons?
    zarè te çend saline?
                                          ((kurmanji))
AS qizamin nehwèd hevtadan da bu, AS ((k))
    kùrèmin beriya qizikè bun
                                          ((k))
    hema nayè biramin belki
                                          ((k))
    nehwèd pèncada
                                          ((k))
    la figlia è nata nel novantasette
                                          the daughter was born in '97
    e i figli prima,
                                          the sons earlier,
    ma non si ricorda,
                                          but he does not remember
                                          maybe '95, if you ask me
    magari novantacinque, chessò.
(...)
Law guarda che io ti chiedo queste cose Law
                                                     listem, I'm asking these things
    perchè poi gliele chiedono anche loro because later they too are going to ask them I
                                          yes, yes, I'm joking about it
    si si, io scherzo,
                                          but I know this is quite serious
    ma so che è serio
Law e non si ricorda l'età dei suoi figli?
                                                     so he does not remember his
                                          Law
sons' age?
    bel padre!
                                          what a good father!
                                          [to AS] I'm just joking, ok?
    [a AS] scherzo eh!
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Word-processing 1b: second draft prepared by counsel

chiamo a controlla control

they should be are 16, 14 and 12 year

Fino al 2007, prima di venire in Italia, vivevo a Kadikoy e lavoravo tra il villaggio di Kadikoy e Siransehir. Con mio fratello Emin avevamo un alimentari a Viransehir dove ci recavamo tutte le mattine a lavorare.

La mia famiglia è di etnia curda. Siamo mussulmani ma non praticanti. Mio padre è un attivista curdo, membro del partito curdo (HADEP, poi DTP). Partecipa alla vita politica curda, alle riunioni di partito, alle feste e manifestazioni curde. All'inizio degli anni '80, quando avevo circa 10 anni, è stato arrestato perché alcuni curdi corrotti che lavorano per lo Stato turco lo hanno denunciato di aiutare il pkk. E' stato quindi condannato ed è rimasto in prigione 4 anni. Non mi ha raccontato di torture o vessazioni subite perché mio padre non parlava con noi di queste cose, le teneva per sé. Però quando le andavo a trovare in prigione vedevo che aveva le unghie bruciate.

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Anche io ere militante del partito curdo, prima l'HADEP e poi il DTP. Non avevo la tessera del partito curdo, come mio fratello Nuri, perché temevamo di essere scopertice, essendo commercianti di pregiudicare la nostra attività commerciale e la clientela. Per il partito curdo, con Emin trasportavamo merce, come giornali volantini opuscoli. Avevano un minibus le lo mettevamo a disposizione del partito quando occorreva. A volte trasportavamo noi la merce tra Kadikoy e Viransehir. Altre volto prestavamo il minibus al partito che se ne serviva e poi ce lo riportava. A volte trasportavamo merce come vestiti, cibo, tabacco, per il pkk. In questi casi venivamo pagati dal pkk, mentre per il partito curdo aiutavamo, come volontari. Per questa attività a favore del partito curdo e del pkk più volte i militari turchi hanno fatto irruzione nella nostra casa, sia nella casa dove vivevo con i miei genitori fratelli e sorelle, sia nella casa dove poi sono andato a vivere con mia moglie ed i miei figli che era molte vicina.

Hadep Poi 25.09.2007 tarihinde phkinin malzemelerini minibilisle viransehinden eve getirdik, ve nokkasına gönderdik tam o noktada operasyon düzenlendi minibilisü götüren abbas malzemeyle beraber yatalandı aradan zaman geçli abbastan haber gelmedi birde sophelenip köyden ciktik o gece baska köye zittik soboh haber olik ailemize baskın yapılmış hapsi tutullu ve minübüs bizim olduğu için birde aranıyor.
duk ve köyden sanlılırlaya gittik biletimizi olip Antalyaya
gittik orda DTP'de üye olan cayım bizi sakladı Antalyada bir ay sanra dayım bir şebeke bulup Antalyadan bizi
Temire getirdi sebekeci izmirdede dert gin sebeketi -

şebekê

Turkish English Translate Auto detect 25.09.2007 tarihinde pt +][i +][ò +][ù +][sehirden eve getirdik, Translation PROMT Babylon Google Microsoft tada operasyon düzen network, system, graticule, grid, gridiron, blexus zemeyle beraber yatali haber gelmeds birde ka köye gittil soboh hepsi tutullu ve minül duk ve koyden sanlı Urfaya gittik biletimizi alip. Antalyayar gitthe ords Dir de oue olan cayin biz sacladi Antalyada bir ay sond dayin bir sebeke bulup Antelyadan bizi -

Ismire getiralizabekeci izmirdede dert gon sebekeci

Original text

sebeke

Turkish to English Translation

Spell

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Dictionary

Other

Şebekê = networker

Asylum counsel's interview

Senza Confine, Roma, May 14, 2009

(AS: young man, Kurdish; Int: young man, Kurdish; Law: young woman, Italian)

NP6: "In Antalya our uncle found a networker."



Law e chi e` questo networker Law who is this networker?

Int voleva dire trafficanti Int he meant human traffickers

Law e quanto li ha pagati? Law how much did he pay them?

Int te çiqas da şebekê? I how much did you pay the traffickers?

AS heft hezar euro AS 7,000 euros

Int settemila euro Int 7,000 euros

Law e vabbene Law oh, very good

- NP1: On Sep. 25, 2007 I picked up, together with my brother, supplies (tobacco, sugar, boots) for the PKK; we put them on our minibus and left the minibus on an agreed-upon spot.
- NP2: Abbas, a secret PKK agent, picked up the minibus at 8 pm but he was later arrested.
- NP3: After some hours without news from Abbas we got suspicious and at midnight we left our village, Kadikoy, to stay in my brother-in-law's village, Onardi. We arrived there at 2 or 3 am.
- NP4: In the morning we got the news, from my brother in law Hussein Ocalan, that our family (including my father, who is a PKK sympathizer and spent for 4 years in jail, and my children aged 16, 14, and 12) had been raided and all of them got arrested.
- NP5: From Onardi a friend drove us to Sanliurfa, then we took a bus to We escaped to our maternal uncle's town, Antalya. He's a DTP
- NP6: In Antalya our uncle found a networker a human trafficker who charged us 7,000 euros to reach Italy. After a month hidden in our uncle's house, the traffickers took us to Ismir in a SUV. There we took the boat.
- Italy on Nov. 11.

Software 2: photoshopping evidence



Software 3: Web Searches

Commissione Territoriale, Roma May, 26, 2009

AS young man, Kurdish

- I young woman, Kurdish
- O young woman, Italian
- O allora perche` i militari turchi C ce l' avevano con lei? I cima leshkerè tirka tera neyarti dikirin? I
- AS min arikari dida kurda u leshkerè kurda
- I aiutava i kurdi e l'armata kurda
- O come l'aiutavate?
- ı çawa te wanra arikari dikir?
- AS min arikari dida wan kesè ciyada gerila bun
- I aiutava i Guerrigli... sono dei soldati kurdi
- O I Guerrigli...
 questi non li ho mai sentiti...
 e chi sono?

- O so, why the Turkish army was after you?
- why was the army after you?
- AS because I helped the Kurds
 - and the Kurd army
- I he helped the Kurds and its army
- O how did you help it?
- I how did you help them?
- AS I helped the people waging a guerrilla war in the mountains
- I he helped the Guerrigli they are Kurdish soldiers
- O The Guerrigli? these ones I never heard of... And who are they

[Fourteen minutes omitted]

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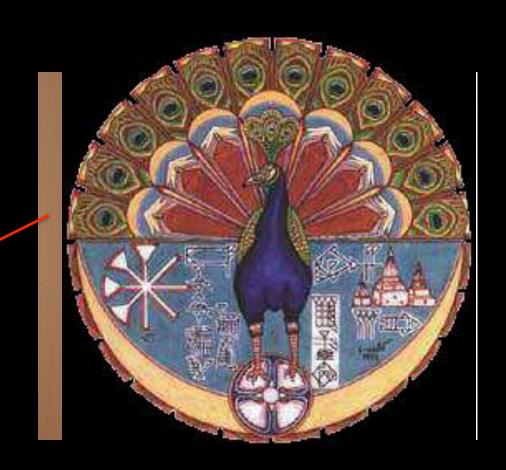
Problems with names 2b

O	e che rapporti ci sono	O	and what kind of relationship is there	
	tra il PKK e questi Guerrigli		between the PKK and these Guerrigli	
	che ho sentito qui per la prima volta		that I heard here for the first time?	←
	e che il collega non trova su internet?		and that my colleague cannot find on internet?	←
Law	guardi che c'è	Law	I believe	
	un errore di traduzione,		there's a translation mistake	
	lui ha detto che aiutava la guerriglia,		he said he helped the guerrilla	
	cioè il PKK		that is, the PKK	
O	ah,	O	so,	
	voi aiutavate dei guerriglieri del PKK?		you helped the PKK guerrilla?	
	[a I] Chiedi un pò?		[to I] Can you ask him?	
1	we arikari PKK è ra dikir?	1	did you help the PKK	
AS	erè	AS	yes	
1	si, aiutava il PKK	1	yes, he helped the PKK	
O	oh, meno male.	O	well, finally!	
()		()		
O	e come si chiamava una volta il PKK?	O	how was the PKK previously called?	
1	PKK bi naveki dinè ra ji tè naskirinè?	1	the PKK, is it know with another name?	
AS	KADEK	AS	KADEK	
O	vabbene	O	very good.	

Digital devices: cell phones

Case Nebez: speaking of the devil

Melek Taus the Peacock-Angel, whorshipped by the Yazidis of Iraq



Online archiving, databases and big data mining

The digitization of legal records: from public but restricted access to effortless, instantaneous, and complete access

→ Implications for asylum cases?

Transformed knowledge infrastructure

→ Production of asylum-specific databases (COIR)

Social media

→collection of AS info on publicly accessible internet sites (facebook, twitter, ...)

Big data mining of databases/internet sites

→ access and mining of previous asylum cases

Conclusions

The culture of **speed** and the desire for **immediacy**

Issue of <u>privacy/surveillance/exposure</u> (and self-exposure)

Digital communication technologies are <u>power</u> <u>technologies</u> deployed to implement the ideology of suspicion prevalent in the asylum process.

The importance of <u>denotational evidence</u> in a world devoid of indexical (shared) knowledge.

→ implications for asylum process?



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THANK YOU!

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