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Many settled Roma travelled the area as tinkers, grinders and musicians during the winter; others were skilled basket weavers or wood carvers, making troughs, barrels, spoons and brooms.



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- ... that the police regularly raided the settlements of the Roma and Sinti and kept lists of their inhabitants?
- ... that one of the main tasks of the international police organisation Interpol was surveillance and registration of the Roma and Sinti?

Your task

How has the police photographer captured the people in this photo? Who is doing what in the photo? Why have the people been photographed in this way?

About the photo

Photograph of a police raid on the Roma settlement in the village of Gritsch in Burgenland, Austria. All the people living in the house had to stand outside with their equipment. The photograph was taken as a record of the work of the police. Burgenland Regional Archives, Eisenstadt, Austria.



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