Crimes provoke Italy immigration crisis

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BUCHAREST, Romania -- Crimes committed in Italy allegedly by Romanian immigrants forced the Rome government to allow the expulsion of EU citizens posing a threat to public security. Commenting on the immigration crisis, triggered Thursday when an Italian woman, 47, died after an assault allegedly by a Romanian in Rome, Romanian Prime Minister Calin Popescu Tariceanu in Bucharest said he planned a series of moves to ease the tension, the Romanian NineO'Clock Web site reported Friday. Italian police arrested the Romanian citizen, 24, on murder and robbery charges. The Italian government's decree on expelling citizens of the European Union that pose a threat to the society has gone into effect immediately. It was left to local authorities to deal with the issue. Tariceanu ordered a team of Romanian experts to Rome to help in dealing with Romanians that break the law. He suggested Romanian and Italian officials should work out a program that would provide homes and jobs for immigrants. He said he regretted the crime that the Romanian is suspected of committing but added Romanian officials cannot order its citizens to return to Romania. Since Romania is a member of the European Union, any Romanian may decide where to live in the bloc.

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