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Dear Mr. Director,

With reference to alerts on the Platform to Promote the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists in respect of the Republic of Serbia, please find attached the response of the Ministry of Culture and Information of the Republic of Serbia in respect of eight alerts.

In accordance with the envisaged procedure, we kindly ask you to upload it to the Platform.

Please accept, Mr. Director, the assurances of my highest consideration.


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Ambassador

Mr. Matjaž Gruden
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Impunity in the Case of the Murder of Dada Vujasinovic, 02.04.2015

After giving support in January 2013 to the establishment of the Commission Investigating Murders of Journalists, the Government of the Republic of Serbia financed a „super investigation“ of the circumstances surrounding the death of journalist Dada Vujasinovic, done by The Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI).

The Government of the Republic of Serbia is determined in providing continuous support to the development of mechanisms for more efficient and better protection of journalists. As a result of this commitment, on December 26, 2016, the Agreement on Cooperation and Measures for Raising the Level of Security of Journalists was signed by the Republic Public Prosecutor's Office, the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Serbia and the Association of Journalists of Serbia, the Independent Journalists Association of Serbia, the Independent Journalists Association of Vojvodina, the Association of Independent Electronic Media, and the Association of Media. The purpose of this Agreement is to establish a system of measures that should provide more effective criminal legal protection for journalists. The implementation of the Agreement includes all 27 police administrations in the Republic of Serbia, as well as prosecutors.

The Ministry of Culture and Information of the Republic of Serbia has issued on several occasions, including on the occasion of the International Day Against the Impunity of Crimes against Journalists, a principled stance condemning every form of violence against media representatives or restriction of their work in any situation, and encouraged all state authorities responsible for resolving such cases to properly investigate and sanction them.

[We observe attacks on journalists with condemnation and indignation:](http://rs.n1info.com/a339184/Vesti/Vesti/Vukosavljevic-Vladi-poslati-predlozi-za-status-Tanjuga.html)

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