

Official position of Ukraine

Journalist Viacheslav Veremii Killed in Kyiv

The Investigation Unit of the former Desnyanskyi District Branch of the General Directorate of the Ministry of the Interior in Kyiv initiated a pre-trial investigation in criminal proceeding based on the elements of criminal offence as defined in article 115, par 1, of the Criminal Code of Ukraine. The object of the investigation is intentional homicide of Viacheslav Veremii, correspondent of the Visti (The News) newspaper that took place on 19 February 2014 in Kyiv. This criminal proceeding was further handed over for investigation to the Office of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine.

The Government of Ukraine strongly condemns violence against journalists and is interested in the objective investigation of the case and bringing those responsible to justice.