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Response by Germany to the entry “Three Media Staff Assaulted at Pegida Rally” as of 26
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“Representing the official German position, the Ministry of the Interior of the Free State of Saxony in Dresden wishes to communicate the following with regard to this case. On the basis of a criminal complaint filed by Deutsche Welle, this matter is currently being processed by the state security department of the Dresden District Police Headquarters working on behalf of the Dresden Public Prosecution Office. The investigations have yet to be completed; in particular, the available video material is currently being analysed. In general, it should be noted that, prior to any assembly or demonstration, an individual assessment of the situation is carried out on the basis of which specific security measures are decided. The purpose of these security measures is to repel any attacks on the event or originating from it as effectively as possible and thereby to provide everyone, including journalists, with the greatest possible protection.”