

Response of Albanian Authorities with regard to the alert “ News 24 Channel shuts down two critical talk shows”

“The allegations published in the CoE on line “alert” Platform on media freedom for shutting down two critical talk shows in News 24 TV Channel are groundless. The freedom of speech and media freedom are among the important achievements reached in Albania. This is sanctioned into the Albanian Constitution. The present Government of Albania respects them, by considering them as a corner stone of the country’s operational democracy. The Government of the Republic of Albania has not intervened and will not intervene, in any case, to any medias’ policies. The allegations published in the CoE “alert” Platform are unfounded, as evidenced even by the reaction of the Board of Journalists of News 24 TV Channel, while highlightening in their statement of August 29-th, 2019, on this issue, that "Changes have taken place and will take place on the interests of the public opinion. Not any political or Governmental policy will succeed to influence the editorial line of this television". <https://www.balkanweb.com/sulmet-mediatike-per-ndryshimet-ne-tv-bordi-i-news24-riformatim-profesional-per-sezonin-e-ri-askush-nuk-influencon-vijen-tone-editoriale/>