

INFORMATION NOTE

On September 28, 2017, Ms Narine Avetisyan, director of the Lori TV station filed at the Taron division of the Vanadzor Police department a report of assault against her. She indicated that on the same day, at about 22 o'clock, she received an information about road asphaltting works at night in the heavy rain. To follow up on that information she then went to the indicated address (in the vicinity of the "Surb Astvatsatsin" (Holy Mother of God) church) and tried to make a photo of workers with her cellphone. The workers, however, prevented her from conducting her professional duties by twisting her arms, throwing her on the ground and seizing her cellphone.

On September 29, 2017, Lori Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Armenia opened a criminal case with regard to the incident under the Article 164 paragraph 1 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Armenia.

Ms Narine Avetisyan was recognized as a victim. She refused to undergo forensic medical examination and stated that suffered no bodily injuries.

On October 9, 2017, under the Article 164 paragraph 1 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Armenia, Mr Tigran Nazaryan, director of the "Shin Plus" Ltd., was involved as a defendant for obstructing the professional lawful activities of Ms Narine Avetisyan.

At the moment the criminal investigation is still on-going. All measures prescribed by the law are being taken to ensure a full, objective and comprehensive investigation of the circumstances of the criminal case.