

Strasbourg, 24 May 2019 Ref. No. 6686/561

Dear Secretary General,

Following the submission of an alert with regard to Greece to the Platform for the Safety of Journalists and Protection of Journalism of the Council of Europe, concerning the attack against the car of CNN Greece journalist Ms Mina Karamitrou on 14 May 2019, I would like to inform you, as an initial response on behalf of the Greek Authorities that journalism and journalists are fully protected in Greece. The isolated incident of the arson attack against the vehicle of Ms Karamitrou was categorically condemned across the democratic political spectrum, as well as by the Greek Government, which is taking all necessary measures for the arrest of the perpetrators. More detailed information will be transmitted to you as-soon as it becomes available by the competent authorities of Greece.

Panayiotis Beglitis Ambassador

To: Mr Thornbjorn Jagland Secretary General of the Council of Europe

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