



PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF GREECE  
TO THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

*The Permanent Representative*

Strasbourg, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
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Dear Secretary General,

Further to your informative remarks during the Committee of Ministers' session on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and onwards with regard to the establishment of the CoE Platform for the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists, as well as your specific suggestions to the CoE member states as to "submit timely and comprehensive responses, where an alert concern our country, so that they can also be published", I would like to forward herewith the pertinent response on behalf of the competent Greek Authorities concerning the attack to the office of Kathimerini in Thessaloniki on April 24<sup>th</sup> 2017. Furthermore, I would like to kindly ask you as for the said reply of my country to be timely published in the Platform.

While seizing that opportunity to extend to you my wholehearted gratitude for your sincere and truthful cooperation with the Greek Authorities, I would like once more to renew my Government's unwavering commitment to the challenging mandates of the organs and mechanisms of this Organization.

Yours sincerely,



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Ambassador

To: H.E. Mr. Thorbjorn Jagland

Secretary General

Council of Europe



HELLENIC REPUBLIC  
MINISTRY OF CITIZENS' PROTECTION  
HELLENIC POLICE

As regards the incident in question, we would like to inform you that the Police arrived immediately, checked the area, collected the printed material thrown by unknown individuals and sent it to the forensic laboratories for analysis. A preliminary investigation by the Hellenic Police is already under way.