

**To the attention of Matjaž GRUDEN**

Dear Mr Gruden,

In response to the alert with regard to Hungary that has been submitted to the Platform for the Promotion of the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalist concerning the criminal charges brought against Hungarian investigative journalist András Dezső, I would like to convey the following information received from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary:

“The court system in Hungary is strictly independent from the government, stated in our Constitution. If the mentioned journalist is innocent, he will be acquitted.”

Yours sincerely,

Agnes Kertész  
Ambassador