

### **Information provided by the Ministry of Justice of Poland**

In art. 241 paragraph 1 of the Polish Penal Code, the justice system is a protected good, whose proper functioning may be threatened by unauthorized disclosure of information from pre-trial proceedings. Such disclosure of information may affect the course of pre-trial proceedings. In addition, the publication of this type of news in the press may become a source of witness suggestions.

By a decision of February 21, 2020, the District Prosecutor's Office in Bydgoszcz initiated an investigation into public dissemination without permission in an unspecified place – in the period from January 13, 2020 to February 19, 2020 – news from the preparatory proceedings of the District Prosecutor's Office in Gdańsk regarding the assassination of the Mayor of the City of Gdańsk, Mr Paweł Adamowicz, i.e. for a crime under art. 241 paragraph 1 of the Penal Code.

The preparatory proceedings in question are still pending, which means that so far no charges have been filed against any person.