

**In respect to 6<sup>th</sup> of December 2018 Alert regarding the Turkish Journalist Kamil Demirkaya**

Following the alert posted on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018, on the Platform for the Protection of Journalists, regarding the situation of the Turkish journalist Kamil Demirkaya, please find hereunder the following clarifications:

In accordance with the Romanian Constitution and Law no. 302/2004, an extradition decision is the exclusive attribute of the judiciary.

According to information provided by the Romanian Ministry of Justice, following an extradition request made by the Turkish authorities, in May 2018, the request was referred to the competent Court – the Court of Appeal of Constanța County. On December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Ministry of Justice was informed that the case was registered at the Court of Appeal of Bucharest, and the person who made the object of the extradition request was not arrested.

On December 14<sup>th</sup> 2018, **the Court of Appeal of Bucharest decided against the extradition of the Turkish citizen Kamil Demirkaya.**

For further reference, public information of the decision of the Court of Appeal of Bucharest (Romanian only):

[http://portal.just.ro/2/SitePages/Dosar.aspx?id\\_dosar=200000000368636&id\\_inst=2](http://portal.just.ro/2/SitePages/Dosar.aspx?id_dosar=200000000368636&id_inst=2)