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Dear Mr Gruden,

Please find attached the information by the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Serbia sent in response to the following Alert published on the Platform for the Safety of Journalists and Protection of Journalism of the Council of Europe - on Serbian Radio Host Daško Milinović Attacked by Two Men.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Matjaž Gruden Director of the Directorate of Democratic Participation Strasbourg

## 1. Serbian Radio Host Daško Milinović Attacked by Two Men

With reference to the alert published on the Council of Europe Platform for the Protection of Journalism and the Safety of Journalists concerning the physical attack on radio host Daško Milinović, the Ministry of the Interior informs you as follows:

On 16 April 2021 in Novi Sad, radio host Daško Milinović was attacked by two men who used pepper spray and a metal rod. The doctor stated that Daško Milinović suffered minor bodily injuries and the competent prosecutor's office was informed about the event.

On the same day, acting in line with the authorization of the competent prosecutor's office, the police officers of the Ministry of the Interior issued a decision on detention for up to 48 hours for the two suspects. The report was submitted as a supplement to criminal charges filed for the criminal offence of Violent Behaviour under Article 344, paragraph 2 of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Serbia. A third person, suspected of the criminal offense of Incitement to Violent Behaviour, was not found and a local police call for information has been announced.