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Dear Mr Gruden,

In response to the Alert published on the Platform for the Safety of Journalists and Protection of Journalism of the Council of Europe on 19 July 2019, concerning death threats against N1 TV Reporter Zana Cimili, I would like to convey the following information received from the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Serbia:

On request of the Higher Public Prosecutor's Office in Belgrade the Police identified the perpetrator on 6 July 2019. On the same day, on warrant issued by the Higher Court in Belgrade, the apartment of the perpetrator was searched and elements of a criminal act were found. Hence he was detained for 48 hours.

Due to a reasonable suspicion that he had committed the criminal act of endangerment of safety and incitement to national, racial and religious hatred and intolerance, a criminal complaint was filed against the perpetrator and he was brought before a competent prosecutor.

Yours sincerely,

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Ambassador


Mr Matjaž Gruden
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