

The Permanent Representation of Spain to the Council of Europe informs that the alert 128/2019 in relation to twelve journalist who have been the victims of acts of violence on the sidelines of demonstrations in Catalonia has been sent to the relevant authorities in Spain. It is being carefully considered, and the required information will be transmitted to you as soon as it becomes available.

This Permanent Representation reiterates that the Spanish Government is fully committed to the protection of human rights and the rule of Law. It will keep making all efforts to guarantee the protection of journalists in the exercise of their tasks. It will also uphold the right to peaceful demonstration, while regretting the use of violence by some demonstrators and reaffirming that the principle of proportionality remains paramount in the actions of the police forces of the State.