Official position of Ukraine

Russian Journalist Ashot Dzhazoyan Banned from Entering Ukraine for Three Years

Pursuant to Article 25, para 13 of the Law of Ukraine "On Security Service of Ukraine", Article 13 of the Law of Ukraine "On Legal Status of Foreigners and Stateless Persons", the Security Service of Ukraine is authorized to take decisions prohibiting a foreigner or stateless person from entering the territory of Ukraine with a view to ensure national security of Ukraine.

According to available information, Ashot Dzhazoyan has regularly participated in the events supporting the temporary occupation of the territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol by the Russian Federation.

Therefore, on 18 January 2017 Ashot Dzhazoyan, citizen of the Russian Federation, was banned from entering Ukraine for a period of three years for violation of the Ukrainian legislation.

The Government of Ukraine urges all journalists to abide by the legislation in force and not to recourse to any activity against Ukraine or its territorial integrity.