

Arson Attack against Holos Sambirschyna Newspaper

On December 19, 2019 the premises of the regional newspaper «Holos Sambirschyna» were set on fire in Lviv.

According to information provided by the National Police of Ukraine, the investigative department of the National Police in the Lviv region is conducting a pre-trial investigation in criminal proceedings, initiated on December 19, 2019 on the basis of intentional damage by setting fire to the premises of the newspaper «Holos Sambirschyna» and stealing property of the editorial staff, which is envisaged by Part 2 Art.194 (Willful destruction or endamagement of property) and Part 3 Art.185 (Theft) of the Criminal Code of Ukraine.

It should be noted that there were no persons injured as a result of this criminal offense. The pre-trial investigation is ongoing.

Ukraine is taking every possible measure to identify those involved in committing this criminal offense and considers unacceptable any pressure or threats against journalists and the media.