It was reported, that on 29 August 2019, two unidentified persons attacked and bet the journalist and blogger Ihor Stakh in Chernihiv, a city in northern Ukraine. The attackers ran away from the scene after the incident.

The Chernihiv regional organization of the National Union of Journalists of Ukraine requested the Chernihiv police to take immediate action to identify the attackers and investigate the crime in an objective manner.

On that same day, the police in the Chernihiv region launched a pre-trial investigation in the criminal proceedings with regard to the injury of the journalist Ihor Stakh.

This criminal proceeding is carried out under the procedural guidance of the Chernihiv Prosecutor’s Office. The pre-trial investigation of the attack is ongoing.

Ukraine condemns such attacks on its citizens, including journalists, and deems them unacceptable.