

Kherson daily “Novyi Den” Tear-Gassed and Shot at During Press Conference

As reported, on 18 January 2019, at around 13:00, a non-lethal weapon was fired, and tear gas dispersed in the premises of "Novyi Den" daily newspaper in Kherson in the course of a press-conference on passenger traffic. According to a representative of "Novyi Den", the people present at the press-conference suffered minor gas poisoning, none of them being injured by shots.

According to eye-witnesses, the above actions were carried out by a single person.

On the same day, on 18 January 2019, the Prosecutor's Office of the Kherson region initiated proceedings with regard to acts of hooliganism with characteristics of a criminal offence.

As a result of the investigation, the National Police of Ukraine identified and detained the suspect of the offence. The person was served with official notice of suspicion and given a pre-trial restriction.

As of 18 February 2019, the necessary investigative actions are being carried out and the pre-trial investigation is ongoing.