

**Information on the cooperation of Ukraine with United Nations agencies, organizations, funds and programmes and other steps taken within the framework of the UN Plan of Action to address the safety of journalists, both online and offline**

Ukraine cooperates in the area of safety of journalists with such international organizations as the Council of Europe and UNESCO. In particular, with the support of the Council of Europe, seminars on the “Protection of the professional activities of journalists and freedom of speech in Ukraine: counteracting impunity” in Ivano-Frankivsk (September 22, 2017) and the city of Dnipro (June 26, 2018), a round table “Freedom of Speech in Ukraine: Current State and Challenges” (May 3, 2018) were held. With the support of UNESCO, training was conducted for law enforcement officers to raise awareness of freedom of speech and the safety of journalists (13-15 February 2018).

At the same time, Ukraine cooperates within the Council of Europe Platform for the Protection of Journalism and Safety of Journalists (<https://www.coe.int/en/web/media-freedom>).

The On-line Platform is a public space to facilitate collection, processing and dissemination of information on serious concerns about the freedom and safety of journalists in the Council of Europe member states and to ensure the standards of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights. The platform acts as a mechanism for early warning and quick response to threats related to the safety of journalists.

As soon as a message regarding a threat to journalists is published there, it receives a response of the Government of Ukraine. Mechanism for timely response to messages posted on the Platform was established by the Ministry of Information Policy of Ukraine in cooperation with law enforcement agencies.

Among the messages posted on the Platform are murders of journalists (in particular, Oles Buzyna, Pavel Sheremet), killings of journalists as a result of the Russian aggression against Ukraine, harassment and intimidation of journalists and other acts, which affect media freedom.

As of May 2019, 46 cases in Ukraine have been mentioned on the Platform, 7 of which have been resolved, an official response has been provided to 45 cases, in one case the preparation of the official response is in progress.

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