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PRESS RELEASE

The Press Council of Bosnia and Herzegovina regards the verbal attack on Oslobođenje's correspondent Nermin Biso as a serious incident.

This case represents a direct involvement of political parties in the work of journalists. The printed media in B&H has the right to state any comments or thoughts about all the questions which are important to the B&H public as well as the right to "freedom to state its own stance" (article 6 of the Press Code.) The Press Council will always strive to protect this right.

The stance of the Council is that this incident threatens the right to freedom of expression and is an attempt to scare journalists, which should not be happening in a country which has obligated itself to adhere to the European Convention on human rights, and therefore to preserve the freedom of expression.

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Reaction of the Press Council to Verbal Attack on Oslobodenje's Correspondent

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