

**21.03.2012**

## **THE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION OF THE PRESS COUNCIL IN BIH**

**Held its**

**47<sup>th</sup> SESSION ON 16.03.2012**

**29 citizens' complaints about the writings of print and online media received in total**

*The Complaints Commission* of the Press Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina held its forty seventh session on 16.03.2012 during which it considered complaints about the writings of print and online media, received in the period January 2012 - March 2012. 29 complaints were received in total, out of which 18 were considered at the session, while 9 was resolved through self-regulation.

*The Complaints Commission* **upheld 11 complaints** where a breach of the Press Code of BiH was found, **while 7 complaints were not upheld** being that the Press Code of BiH was not breached. In two (2) cases, after informing the complainants about the incompleteness of their denials and advising them to include the information they feel is accurate in the denials, the complainants withdrew their complaints.

**Complaints upheld:**

1. Ms. MILKICA MILOJEVIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Reaction regarding the article "[We Are Exposing the Addresses of Killers of Bosniaks from Ljutocka Valley](#)

" published on 07.02.2012 in the daily "Dnevni Avaz".

*The Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 2 -

*Editorial Responsibility*

, Article 3 -

*Incitement*

, Article 7 -

*Opportunity to Reply*

, Article 9 -

*Privacy,*

and Article 10 -

*Persons Charged with Criminal Offenses*

of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission](#)

2. Ms. BILJANA PEPIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Denial to the article „[We Are Exposing the Addresses of Killers of Bosniaks from Ljutocka Valley](#)

" published on 07.02.2012 in the daily “Dnevni Avaz”.

*The Complaints Commission*

of the Press Council in BiH found breach of several Articles of the Press Code of BiH: Article 3 -

*Incitement*

, Article 5 -

*Accuracy and Fair Reporting*

, Article 7 -

*Opportunity to Reply*

, and Article 9 -

*Privacy*

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[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission](#)

3. STUDENTS OF THE FACULTY OF POLITICAL SCIENCES – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Reaction regarding the article "[Police Took a Student to the Psychiatric Ward](#)", published on 21.02.2012 in the daily “Dnevni Avaz”, and on the portal

[www.dnevniavaz.ba](http://www.dnevniavaz.ba)

under the title “An Economics Students Was Taken to The Psychiatric”. The

*Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 9 -

*Privacy*

, of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

4. Mr. Z.J. – portal DNEVNIAVAZ.BA: Complaint regarding the comments under the article "[Back to the Past](#)"

, published on 19.02.2012 on the portal Dnevniavaz.ba. The  
*Complaints Commission*

upheld the complaint as a citizens' indication to comments which contain hate speech, in accordance with the action "You Are Not invisible".

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

5. Mr. Z.J. – portal DNEVNIAVAZ.BA: Complaint regarding the comments under the article "[Tilman Cilh, President of the Association for Endangered Populations: RS Is Ruled by Servants of War Criminals](#)"

, published on 25.02.2012 on the portal Dnevniavaz.ba. The  
*Complaints Commission*

upheld the complaint as a citizens' indication to comments which contain hate speech, in accordance with the action "You Are Not invisible".

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

6. Mr. Z.J. – portal DNEVNIAVAZ.BA: The Press Council received the complaint regarding the comments under the article "[Wrong Address](#)", published on 28.02.2012 on the portal Dnevniavaz.ba. *The Complaints Commission*

upheld the complaint as a citizens' indication to comments which contain hate speech, in accordance with the action "You Are Not invisible".

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

7. Mr. LEO PLOCKINIC – portal DOSIJE.BA: Complaint regarding the article "[Reply to the Denial: The Rampageous Ustasha Confirmed That He Hates Bosniaks!](#)"

published on 02.03.2012 on the portal Dosije.ba.  
*The Complaints Commission*

found breaches of Article 2 -

*Editorial Responsibility*

and Article 3 -

*Incitement*

of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

8. *THE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION OF THE PRESS COUNCIL IN BIH* - daily

"OSLOBODJENJE

": Reaction regarding the manner of

reporting about the family tragedy case in the article "

[He Shot At His Daughters, Then He Killed Himself](#)

", published on 16.03.2012 in the daily "Oslobodjenje".

*The Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 9 -

*Privacy*

of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission.](#)

9. *THE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION OF THE PRESS COUNCIL IN BIH* - daily "NEZAVISNE

NOVINE: Reaction regarding the manner of reporting about the family tragedy case in the

article "

[He Shot His Daughters in the Head, Then He](#)

[Killed Himself](#)

" published on 16.03.2012 in the

daily "Nezavisne Novine".

*The*

*Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 9-

*Privacy*

and Article 11 -

*Protection of Children and Minors*

of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

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10. *THE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION OF THE PRESS COUNCIL IN BIH* - daily "DNEVNI

AVAZ": Reaction regarding the manner of reporting about the family tragedy case in the article

["The Father Shot His Daughters in the Head and Committed Suicide Afterwards"](#)

, published on 16.03.2012 in the daily "Dnevni Avaz".

*The Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 9-

*Privacy*

and Article 11 -

*Protection of Children and Minors*

of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

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11. Ms. LAMIJA HODZIC and Mr. IVAN BAJDAK - portal ZENICABLOG.COM: Complaint regarding the article “ [New Details About the Crime at Jaliya](#) ”, published on 15.03.2012 on the portal Zenicablog.com. *The*

*Complaints Commission*

found breach of Article 9-

*Privacy*

and Article 11 -

*Protection of Children and Minors*

of the Press Code of BiH.

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Complaints Commission](#)

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**Complaint not upheld, because a breach of the Press Code of BiH was not found:**

1. MR. LEO PLOCKINIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Complaint regarding the article “[What Did We Die For?](#)”

published on 03.02.2012 in the daily “Dnevni Avaz”. The

*Complaints Commission*

of the Press Council in BiH found no breach of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

2. Ms. JASNA ZVEKIC – portal DOSIJE.BA: Complaint regarding the article “[Denial: I Will Sue You For Transmitting Lies, But I Will Not Sue You?!](#)”

published on 02.03.2012, on the portal Dosije.ba. The

*Complaints Commission*

did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission](#)

3. Mr. ENES SMAJLOVIC – daily “OSLOBODJENJE”: Complaint regarding the article " [Angelin a Jolie and the Nonsense of Freedom](#)

" published in the daily "Oslobodjenje" on 23.02.2012. The

*Complaints Commission*

did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission.](#)

4. Mr. ENES SMAJLOVIC – daily “OSLOBODJENJE”: Reaction regarding the article " [Forget Ronaldinho, Cover Papac](#)

" published on 02.03.2012. The

*Complaints Commission*

did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

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Complaints Commission](#)

5. *THE COMPLAINTS COMMISSION OF THE PRESS COUNCIL IN BIH* - portal DEPO.BA:

Reaction regarding the article

["Faruk Drina/Organizer of the Goran Bregovic Concert in Zetra: I, Sarajevan, Against the Depo Portal and the 'Entire World](#)

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”, published on 11.03.2012 on the portal Depo.ba. The

*Complaints Commission*

of the Press Council in BiH did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the  
Complaints Commission.](#)

6. Mr. IVAN BAJDAK - portal SARAJEVO-X.COM: Complaint regarding the article “ [Zenica: He Tried to Kill His Daughters and Then He Killed Himself](#)

” published on 15.03.2012 on the portal Sarajevo-x.com.

*The Complaints Commission*

the Press Council in BiH did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission.](#)

7. Mr. IVAN BAJDAK - portal SARAJEVO-X.COM: Complaint regarding the article “ [The Wounded Girls Fighting for Their Lives, Zenica in Shock](#)

” published on 15.03.2012 on the portal Sarajevo-x.com.

*The Complaints Commission*

the Press Council in BiH did not find any breaches of the Press Code of BiH.

[Adjudication of the Complaints Commission.](#)

### Complaints solved through self-regulation:

1. Mr. SABAHUDIN KUDUZOVIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Complaint regarding the article “[I Bathed the Deceased Who Had His Organs Removed](#)”

published on 13.01.2012 in the daily “Dnevni Avaz”. The complainant's denial was published in the daily "Dnevni Avaz" on 12.02.2012 under the title

["Organ Trafficking is Not in Question"](#).

2. Mr. SABAHUDIN KUDUZOVIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Complaint regarding the article “[The Investigation Should Be Conducted in Croatia](#)”

published on 17.01.2012 in the daily “Dnevni Avaz”. The complainant's denial was published in the daily "Dnevni Avaz" on 12.02.2012 under the title

["Organ Trafficking is Not in Question"](#).

3. GROUP OF CITIZENS - portal SARAJEVO-X.COM: Reaction regarding the comment to the article “[Nusret Imamovic and His Brother Eldin Arrested in Gornja Maoca](#)” published

25.01.2012 on the portal Sarajevo-x.com. The editorial staff removed the possibility of posting comments to the article. More information about the complaint can be read

[here](#)

4. Mr. DRAZEN MILOSAVLJEVIC – portal FRONTAL.RS: Complaint regarding the comment under the article “[National Strategy of the Serb People in BiH](#)” published on 15.01.2012 on the portal Frontal.rs. The letter of the Press Council in BiH was published on the portal Frontal.rs

18.02.2012 under the title "

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5. DR. BEKIR KARCIC – daily “DNEVNI AVAZ”: Denial to the article [“Dina Vehab on the Fight for Life of the Child: The Physician Told the Mother to Throw Her Ill Son Down the River”](#) published on 29.01.2012 in the daily "Dnevni Avaz". The complainant's denial was published on 31.01.2012 in the daily "Dnevni Avaz" under the title ["It Is not True That I Told the Mother to Throw Her Child Down the River"](#)

6. BiH MINISTRY OF DEFENSE – daily “FOKUS”: Denial to the article ["Country In Chaos Army a Sleep Sleep"](#) published on 06.02.2012 in the daily "Fokus". The complainant's denial was published in the daily "Fokus" on 07.02.2012 under the title ["The Army Is Helping The Citizens"](#)

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7. BiH MINISTRY OF DEFENSE – daily “DNEVNI LIST”: Denial to the article ["The Army Was Cleaning Snow Around the HDZ Political Academy"](#) published on 19.02.2012 in the daily "Dnevni List". The complainant's denial was published in the daily "Dnevni List" on 22.02.2012 under the title ["They Were Cleaning The Windows Around Common Institutions"](#).

8. Mr. LEO PLOCKINIC – portal DOSIJE.BA: Denial to the article " [Doris Pack Report on BiH: New Evocation of Hatred in BiH!?](#) " published on 01.03.2012 on the portal Dosije.ba. The complainant's denial was published on the portal Dosije.ba on 02.03.2012 under the title ["Plockinic denies the writings of Dosije.ba"](#)

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9. Mr. BOZE CULO – daily “DNEVNI LIST”: Denial to the article ["He Claims He Is Not Guilty, He Was Overtaking While Drunk and Caused the Death of Two Children"](#) published in the daily "Dnevni List" on 04.03.2012. The complainant's denial was published in



the 10.03.2012 edition of the daily "Dnevni List" under the title  
["I Am Not Guilty of the Committed Crime, or of the Accident"](#)

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### **Complainants who withdrew their complaint:**

1. BiH MINISTRY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND REFUGEES - daily "PRESS RS": Complaint regarding the article ["BIH Has the Most Illiterate Population in Europe - 15 Percent of Citizens Cannot Even Write"](#) published on 24.01.2012 in the daily "Press RS". After being made aware that his complainant was incomplete and informing him about the complaints procedure the complainant withdrew the complaint. More information about the complaint can be read [here.](#)

2. SWORD SECURITY PROTECTION AGENCY – daily "DNEVNI LIST": Denial to the article "[Government Reconstruction is Just a Dream of HDZ's Minions](#)" published on 16.02.2012 in the daily "Dnevni List". After being made aware that his complainant was incomplete and informing him about the complaints procedure the complainant withdrew the complaint. More information about the complaint can be read [here.](#)