On 6 March 2021, in Vienna, numerous photojournalists were subjected to threats and insults by protesters against the government’s Covid-19 measures, when covering the latest demonstrations organised by anti-lockdown, anti-government and far-right groups. During a rally by the Freedom Party of Austria (FPÖ), Austria’s main far-right party, in the Prater park, a journalist with the Vienna Press Service, a network of freelance photo and video journalists, was physically pushed and obstructed from carrying out her work. One protester tried to grab the camera out of her hands and intimidated her. Other journalists covering events across the city were harassed, threatened and had insults shouted at them. Projectiles were also thrown. One image shows a masked man making a death threat gesture at a photographer. Placards and chants during the marches included the slogan “lying press”. Well-known and recognisable journalists at the scene were particularly targeted.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- Report published by Der Standard: "Corona-Demos am Samstag: Ohne Distanz zum Rechtsextremismus"
- Twitter thread by Presse Service Wien network
- Twitter thread by the Doku Service Steiermark Network (part 1)
- Twitter thread by the Doku Service Steiermark Network (part 2)