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Online Journalist Marjan Stamenkovski Brutally Beaten with Metal Bars in Skopje

No state
reply yet

SOURCE OF THREAT ▶ Unknown

CATEGORY  ▶ Impunity

NO STATE REPLY YET



PARTNER: EFJ/IFJ

On 20 July 2015, Marjan Stamenkovski, editor of the "Dokaz" website, was brutally assaulted outside a coffee bar in Skopje by a group of five masked men who beat him up using metal bars. He sustained serious injuries to the head and a broken nose in the attack which also left him with a broken arm. The journalist, who needed treatment at a local hospital, reported the attack at the local police station. "Dokaz" website is an outspoken critic of the ruling party, VMRO-DPMNE in its reporting. In an interview on NOTA TV, the victim said his attackers had sent him "greetings from his former party".

UPDATES

02 Nov 2018: On 2nd November 2018, the partner organisations of the platform decided to transfer this alert to the category of 'impunity', based on their assessment of the lack of sufficient progress in the investigation of this case.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

-  Statement by EFJ: "Violence against journalists in Macedonia is escalating"
-  Article published on mappingmediafreedom.org: "Macedonia: Web owner brutally assaulted with metal bars"