

MILAN BEKO'S OPEN LETTER TO THE DIRECTOR OF POLICE MILORAD VELJOVIĆ

Belgrade, May 15th 2012

Dear Mr. Veljović,

Please let me address you an open letter, concerning the fact that this topic has already become public.

I believe you have already been informed that you were "quoted" in the daily newspaper "Kurir" published on Sunday, May 13th this year.

The text, entitled "The arrests begin after the election" was released on the entire front page and continues on the second and third. Such a mode of writing, full of lies and malicious interpretations, lacked persuasiveness amended by the authority of the institution you represent and what people believe. The importance of your alleged statement is emphasized by the highlighted text in the text box and accompanied by a photo.

Denial that I sent day after, "Kurir" published only partially, so I was forced to release it the next day as a paid advertisement in the newspaper "Blic" and "Večernje novosti".

The text of this denial expressed disbelief that you agreed to answer "Kurir" with such radical statement, outside of the context of a free and democratic society, concerning the writing about me. I would also like to ask if you could give me a response whether you made a personal statement as "Kurir" published. This text became a public lynching.

I have already submitted the Ministry of Internal Affairs complaint against the practice of blackmail of "Kurir" and his editor, but unfortunately, your reaction failed till now. I would like to ask you what has been done concerning g this topic, especially now when it became apparent that these threats come true.

Dear Sir Veljovic, from your response I expect to understand the extent to which the arrogance of "Kurir" based on the political power of its sponsors has leveled up. Are they now stronger than the formal institutions of republic of Serbia when they can without hesitation give list and order of arrests?

It seems to me that this conflict is less conflict between me and "Kurir", and becomes more and more the conflict between "Kurir" and the State.

Sincerely,
Milan Beko

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CO: Mr. Mirko Cvetković, prime minister, Mr. Ivica Dačić, Minister of Internal Affairs