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Mr. Branko Stamenković
Deputy Republic Public Prosecutor of the Republic of Serbia and Member of the
Permanent Working Group for Safety of Journalists

Dear Mr. Stamenković,

We would like to express our gratitude for your contribution as an expert panelist at the seventh South East Europe Media Conference “*The New Frontline: Working Together to Foster Media Freedom*” recently held on 17-18 September 2020.

We are honoured that our first online regional event gathered over 200 participants from various countries, including journalists, civil society organizations and representatives from law enforcement and the judiciary. The rich debate and broad participation were reflective of the need for comprehensive and concerted responses in supporting safety of journalists and minimizing the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on journalists’ ability to perform their professional activities.

Let us stress that the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media and the OSCE Mission to Serbia will remain committed partners to State authorities and all relevant media stakeholders in South East Europe in order to provide assistance and enable better media environment which is a strong pillar of any democratic process.

We look forward to our future co-operation.

Yours sincerely,



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