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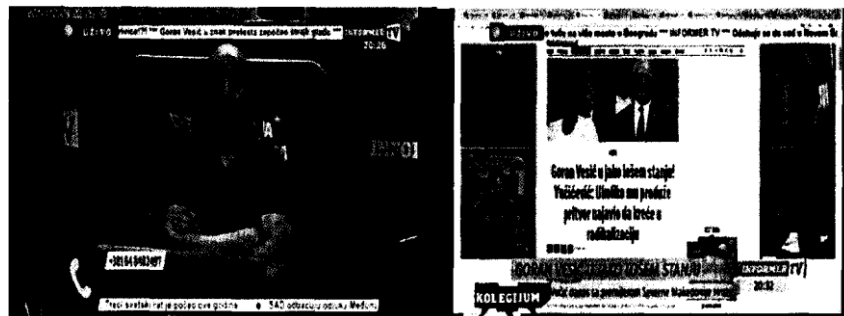
## Report of the Monitoring and Analysis Service of the REM

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<b>Ex officio procedure</b>	<p><b>Against: <i>Insajder tim d.o.o., Beograd – Informer TV</i></b></p> <p><b>Summary:</b> Based on a letter from _____, the Monitoring and Analysis Service was notified of the content broadcast on <b><i>Informer TV</i></b> on 22 November 2024, in which, as stated, insults on national and religious grounds, calls to violence, threats, were observed. It was pointed out that the content was broadcast at 21:04.</p> <p>At the request of the Regulator, the media service provider provided a recording of the broadcast programme.</p>
<b>Report</b>	<p>The REM Monitoring and Analysis Service, based on the letter from _____, was notified of the content broadcast on <i>Informer TV</i> on 22 November 2024, in which, as stated by _____, insults on national and religious grounds, calls to violence, threats, were observed. According to the letter, the disputed programme was broadcast at 21:04. By reviewing the content broadcast at the specified time, we observed the following: the relevant slot was at the very end of the show broadcast without the opening sequence, which the host announced as the <i>Treći kolegijum Informera</i> (starting at 20:26:22, ending at 21:06:52). It was a live broadcast of a meeting of the editorial team commenting on that day's events. The host talked about ... <i>violence in the streets of Belgrade and other cities of Serbia that made no sense at all, it was total chaos, without any meaning. We have received news of the beginning of a hunger strike by the Minister of Construction... according to the information we received, he is in bad shape...</i> Then the news that Dragan Marković Palma had died was read and condolences offered. Then Dragan J. Vučićević, editor, joined the programme, and announced the expectation that: ...</p>

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*the court would decide based on the request of the prosecution whether Goran Vesić, Jelena Tanasković and Anita Dimoski would be remanded in custody for up to a month...*



*Vučićević then stated that the Novi Sad prosecutor insisted that they be detained for up to a month, although, as he said, they were not guilty of anything: ... They could not physically have done the acts of which they were suspected. A terrible crime is being committed against these people. And we have to say it out loud. The yellow elitist trash is setting them up for trumped up charges!*

*Using increasingly harsh rhetoric, Vučićević presented details from the proceedings, talked about examinations, how the court had still not made a decision, and it would have to release them on bail, pointed out that the court should reprimand the prosecutor because at least three people had been arrested without any evidence: ... for three of them we can definitely say that, they were arrested for political reasons under the pressure of the yellow elitist trash! ... come on, there is no grounded suspicion whatsoever that they are involved in any criminal act... they are obviously operating based on some tycoon, foreign interest... He somehow managed to find out what their plan was, during the night he packed and drove his car to the Novi Sad Prosecutor's Office and said – here I am, what can I do for you... I am relaying the words of Goran Vesić: I would sooner die, I would rather die before being accused of the death of fifteen people, while being totally blameless... He then stated that Goran Vesić was a much better man than all those persecuting him, that on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November he was at the scene of the tragedy, participated and helped in the rescue efforts: ...when he was telling me what it looked like and how the two children were pulled out from under that cursed canopy, he cried like a baby, in front of me, he sobbed, he wept, you want to arrest such a man, you disgusting yellow gang. There is no evidence of his guilt, he cannot be guilty... to hell with you, don't lie, some gussied-up female lawyers at the national TV stations... detention is a security measure... mother f...rs, damn mother f....rs! You swindlers, you scum of the earth, we all have to stand by Goran Vesić as one today, by Jelena Tanasković,*

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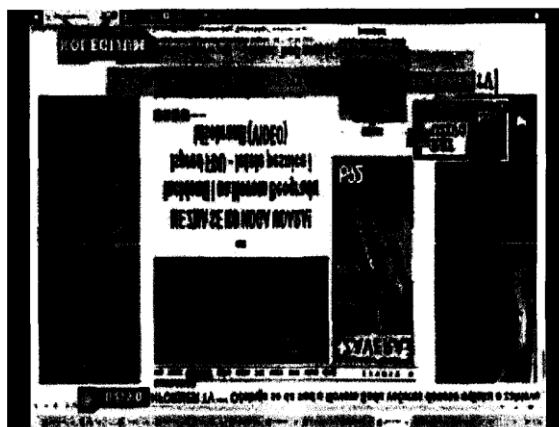
*by Anita, all of us are, we are all Goran, Jelena and Anita tonight! Immediately afterwards, he called out Stevan Pavlov as a man of great power in judicial circles who, as he said, was the best friend of Srdjan Milivojević, and perhaps more than that: ...He was the only one who was allowed by these anti-Serbs, these anarchists, these lunatics to enter the court building. You know why, he told them, brothers, I am Pavlov, I released your colleagues... Then he cried to Srđan Milivojević that he had been recorded and begged for it to be erased, so that Milivojević ass arranged for it to be deleted... Didn't President Vučić yesterday, during his appearance in the News, say that these allegations about Judge Pavlov should be investigated in detail, didn't he say that, Novica, he certainly did! Did something happen, it didn't, but they are getting ready for tonight, in two or three hours, it's now nine, to remand Goran Vesić to custody for up to thirty days for nothing!... Guys, please understand, dear viewers, talk about it to your colleagues, friends, relatives, godparents, neighbours, who do not have Informer TV, who may have been poisoned by N1, RTS, no difference, Nova, Danas and other lies, poisons...*

He wondered why the vice president of the Democratic Party who hit the policemen was not arrested ... *Why are they not detained, you bastards, rotten, yellow, corrupt trash, you vermin!*

Vučićević then claimed that no work was done on the canopy since Vesić became the minister... *no painting, I do not know, no sockets changed, nothing, absolutely nothing, and he is now being arrested!* He spoke in an elevated tone, shouted: *And then tonight at the RTS I see them looking to justify that arrest. They brought in some expert, shame on them, them and that damn yellow Bujke, and those Zozons, what are they called... they will all be cursed by tears of Jelena's children, the tears of Goran's nephews and nieces, the tears of Goran's wife, they will pay for it all ... shame on them, scum of the earth, trash! Guys, I am not doing this because someone told me to do so, or because I have a vested interest in it, no, this is injustice!... Neither Djilas, nor Marinika Tepić, Bora Novaković, nor any of the other filth, their judge Stevan Pavlov, least of all that shit of a man, excuse my French, Srdjan Milivojević! Imagine where we are if we have that ass Srdjan Milivojević lobbying our courts... an illiterate man, never attended high school, let alone a university... he is the one deciding who will be free via his boyfriend Stevan Pavlov, shame on them, moral and political faggots all of them!* (21:04:30)

Thanking Vučićević for his participation, the host announced the end of the show and noted that the programme would be interrupted at the moment information became available about the detention of Goran Vesić and other suspects.

During the show, captions and scroll were seen on the screen with a text of disturbing, sensationalist content: *Goran Vesić in a very bad condition, Vesić intends to start a hunger strike, It is a free-for-all, Extremists perpetrating horrific violence across Serbia.*



## Conclusion

By examining the broadcast programme, it is observed that the disputed content was broadcast before the time specified in the letter, but this circumstance was not crucial for the drafting of the Report. In the sequence lasting for almost 40 minutes (starting at 20:26:52, ending at 21:06:22), Dragan J. Vučićević, editor, dramatically presented information he had obtained about the events unfolding at the Novi Sad Prosecutor's Office. He defended the persons arrested, spoke of their innocence, bad health status, while, on the other hand, making accusations concerning the work of the prosecutor's office and the court, police, media, attacked the opposition, called out certain persons with odd insults and denigration. He used the words such as: ass, yellow trash, scum of the earth, faggots, filth, shit, vermin, as well as anti-Serbs, anarchists, lunatics, wretches. He used profanity, cursed and threatened, discriminated against all persons who, according to his opinion, wanted to convict innocent people.

With such an approach to current events and analysis of the investigative procedure, Vučićević influenced the judicial procedure itself, as well as public opinion. He invited viewers to relay news from Informer, which, as he said, was the only accurate source, criticised and called out other media, presented unverified information without professional restraint, and reduced reporting and serious news and current affairs programme to a reality TV content, with continuous verbal violence. Particularly disturbing was the tone used by the editor to present the news (shouting), which may cause among the population panic, fear, a feeling of unease and uncertainty.

The broadcast content is contrary to the **Law on Electronic Media, Article 61, Paragraph 1** - *In relation to its programme content and in accordance with its programme concept, the media service provider shall:*

- 1) provide free, true, objective, complete and timely information;*
- 3) contribute to raising the general cultural and educational level of citizens;*
- 4) provide a variety of content in terms of opportunities for free expression, political and critical thinking, as well as within the type and character of the programmes, and*

**Rulebook on the Protection of Human Rights in the Provision of Media Services: Article 5, Paragraphs 1, 2, 3** - *The media service provider shall ensure the truthfulness and completeness of information, as well as the veracity and completeness of the ideas and opinions it broadcasts, especially in the news and current affairs programs with due care corresponding to circumstances and in accordance with the rules of the journalistic profession.*

*The media service provider shall provide information to media service users based on facts obtained from a number of different sources, as well as provide a variety of views, opinions and issues discussed in the public within its news and current affairs programme.*

*The media service provider shall, with due care corresponding to circumstances and in accordance with the rules of the journalistic profession, verify the origin, truthfulness and completeness of certain information containing personal data, data about an event or phenomenon, before broadcasting it.*

**Article 7, Paragraph 1** - *When providing information to the public, the media service provider shall ensure objectivity in its information provision that is appropriate to the nature of the information, the area of social life to which it relates and the nature of the programme content in which the information is broadcast, with the highest degree of objectivity required when providing information about the issues referred to in the Article 6, paragraph 1 of this Rulebook.*

**Article 9, Paragraph 3** - *The current affairs programme host may present, during the programme, his or her opinion on the issue that is the topic of the said programme, but the media service provider must not allow the host to use such an opportunity to promote personal beliefs in a manner that violates the obligation of the media service provider to provide objective information to the public.*

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**Article 26, Paragraph 1** - *The media service provider shall respect the personal dignity (honour, reputation or respect) and the right to authenticity of the person to whom the information broadcast relates.*

**Article 31, Paragraph 1** - *It is not permitted during the course of criminal proceedings to present ideas, information or opinions pre-empting the outcome of the proceedings or which assess the procedural value of the evidence, adducted or to be adducted in those proceedings, in a manner that could influence the outcome of the criminal proceedings.*

I propose the initiation of an examination procedure.

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