

Notification from the Higher Public Prosecutor's Office on December 2016 SITEL TV Hate Speech Case

Skopje, 20 December 2017 – Further to the stand taken by the First-Instance Public Prosecutor's Office regarding the Agency's claim against the Trade and Broadcasting Company "SITEL D00EL Skopje" for stirring and propagating discrimination, intolerance and hatred in a number of broadcasted items within four subsequent editions of the daily information programme "Dnevnik" at 19:00 hrs and 23:00 hrs, respectively, aired on 2, 3, 4 and 5 December 2016, the Agency submitted a request for conducting supervision over the former's work.

The Higher Prosecutor's Office notified the Agency that the First-Instance Public Prosecutor's Office had been right to conclude that there had been no room for intervention on the Public Prosecutor's part, "considering the fact that the items at issue contain statements aired during an election campaign with the aim to achieve a certain political aim, and not to provoke national, racial or religious hatred, discord and intolerance". This conclusion is based on the fact that the items do not contain actions of coercion, abuse, jeopardizing of one's safety, etc.

The notification by the Higher Prosecutor's Office may be downloaded at [this link](#)

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The report on the ad hoc supervision conducted over SITEL TV may be downloaded at [this link](#)

