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Council of Europe Secretary General Terry Davis reacts to the death of Anna Politkovskaya

Strasbourg, 07.10.2006 - "I am shocked by the news that Anna Politkovskaya was found dead in Moscow today, and I am deeply concerned about the circumstances in which she has lost her life. She was a journalist of exceptional courage and determination, and her reporting on the conflict in the Chechen republic provided the Russian public and the entire world with an independent insight into the fate of ordinary people caught in this conflict. We have all lost a strong voice of the kind which is indispensable in any genuine democracy. It is essential for the circumstances to be clarified quickly and in a convincing manner.

I should also like to offer my condolences to the family of Anna Politkovskaya."

Le Secrétaire Général du Conseil de l'Europe Terry Davis réagit à la mort d'Anna Politkovskaya

Strasbourg, 07.10.2006 - "Je suis choqué d'apprendre qu'Anna Politkovskaya a été retrouvée morte aujourd'hui à Moscou, et je suis profondément préoccupé par les circonstances de sa mort. Journaliste d'un courage et d'une détermination exceptionnels, sa couverture du conflit en Tchétchénie a permis aux Russes et au monde entier d'être informés de manière indépendante sur le sort des gens ordinaire pris dans ce conflit. Nous avons tous perdu une voix puissante, de celles qui sont indispensables dans toute démocratie véritable. Il est essentiel de faire rapidement et de manière crédible toute la lumière sur les circonstances de ce drame.

Je présente toutes mes condoléances à la famille d'Anna Politkovskaya."

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