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To:

Mr. Alen Simonyan
President of the National Assembly of Armenia
19 Baghramyan Avenue
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Open Letter of the Members of the German Bundestag to the Armenian Parliament

Dear President of the National Assembly of Armenia,
Dear colleagues of the Armenian Parliament,

Through the Armenian community and from media reports we learned about the case of pregnant 28-year-old citizen of the Republic of Armenia Sona Mnatsakanyan, who died on April 26, 2022 as a result of an accident involving the motorcade of Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan.

Considering the tragedy of the death of this young woman who advocated for equal rights, women's advancement and for the strengthening of Armenian civil society, we, the undersigned Members of the German Parliament, write to you, our colleagues in the Armenian Parliament, to draw your attention to the case. We ask you to closely follow the case to bring justice to Sona Mnatsakanyan and her family.

One of the cornerstones of democratic and civil society coexistence, which Armenia strives for and which Sona Mnatsakanyan championed throughout her life, is also a rule of law before which all people are equal - regardless of the rank and position of those involved. Therefore, we hope that the case of Sona Mnatsakanyan will be appropriately resolved in a trial under the rule of law and that justice will be done to possible perpetrators.

Yours sincerely,

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