

PRESS RELEASE

Subject: Local statement on the assassination of Human Rights activist Ms Sabeen Mahmud

The European Union Delegation to Pakistan condemns the killing of the prominent human rights activist and director of 'The Second Floor (T2F)', Ms Sabeen Mahmud, in Karachi on 24 April. Our thoughts are with the family and friends of Ms Mahmud.

The EU Delegation calls on Pakistani authorities to ensure that the perpetrators of this cowardly act be swiftly brought to justice.

All citizens of Pakistan must be guaranteed their constitutional right to freedom of expression and to engage in democratic debate freely and without fear.

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