

Warszawa, 29 October 2010

Dear Sir/Madame,

Acting on behalf of Mrs. Elzbieta Radziszewska, Government Plenipotentiary for Equal Treatment, regarding the article on the KPH website which already gives misinformation in the title "Radziszewska is wrong says the EC", provides the false information that the EC considers the Plenipotentiary's interpretation of the 2000/78/WE directive as wrong. We demand the following correction to be published.

Sincerely,
Magdalena Kucharska
Communication Unit

Mr Tomasz Szypuła
President
Campaign Against Homophobia

Demand of correction

It is incorrect that the EC took a "position on the statement of Minister Elzbieta Radziszewska", it is also incorrect to claim that "The Minister is wrong", which is written in the article "Radziszewska is wrong says the EC" published on the KPH website. The title itself is manipulative and journalistically inaccurate. Commissioner Reding in her answer to the MEP's of the Intergroup for LGBT Rights absolutely does not refer to my words in the "Gosc Niedzielnego" interview of Sept. 12 Cashman and Romeva i Rueda's questions referred to the articles of the 2000/78/WE Directive in which there are exceptions included to the principle of equal treatment in according to possible discrimination on the grounds of sex or sexual orientation in employment in religious schools but had a general character, it didn't refer to my statement. The body of Commissioner Reding's answer to this issue confirms my opinion on this matter which I've expressed several times on the Directive. Ms. Reding didn't refer to any of my statements regarding the interpretation of European law (as they were not presented to her). I strongly protest against this type of manipulation of the statement presented to Commissioner Reding. As the Plenipotentiary for Equal Treatment I very strongly express my objection to discrimination based on sexual orientation. Accusing me of any other views or actions in this case is not in line with the truth.

I request that this correction is published on the KPH website in a visible place in accordance to the regulations of Polish press law.

Elzbieta Radziszewska
Government Plenipotentiary fir Equal Treatment