



GEORGIAN NATIONAL PLATFORM

EASTERN PARTNERSHIP CIVIL SOCIETY FORUM

The Georgian National Platform of Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum condemns the forcible teardown of the EU flag hanging outside the Georgian Parliament building by radical groups of counter-protesters on Tuesday, July 6.

According to Article 78 of the Constitution of Georgia: “The constitutional bodies shall take all measures within the scope of their powers to ensure the full integration of Georgia into the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.”

The removal of the EU flag is considered by the National Platform as a vandal and unacceptable act.

Herewith, we believe that the unprecedented number and scale of aggression and violations committed against reporters, media in general, public organizations, minorities, citizens of Georgia, and those visiting the country make us think that we are facing a systemic, legal, and political problem.

We call on the Parliament of Georgia to set up a parliamentary commission to investigate the violation of the Constitution of Georgia, as well as to study the reasons for the ineffective actions of law enforcement bodies to prevent large-scale violations by organized groups.

We also call on the Government of Georgia to implement adequate measures to guarantee that the constitutional obligation is effectively implemented in the future.

The Georgian National Platform of Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum will continue to actively monitor the ongoing processes, conduct broad public campaigns among the population, and hold meetings with all state bodies to ensure the smooth implementation of all integration-related commitments undertaken as per the EU Association Agreement.

The Coordination Council of the Georgian National Platform