**Press Release** 

I was shocked to be informed of the fact that Ferenc Orosz, the Chairman of the Raoul

Wallenberg Association, was attacked by neo-nazis on 23 April 2013. Ferenc Orosz, with

whom we jointly realised the Raoul Wallenberg Memorial Year, is a real companion in

arms and an old friend both of Prime Minister Viktor Orbán and myself.

I deeply condemn what has happened. Minister of Interior Sándor Pintér has assured the

members of the Government that he will take all possible action to apprehend the

perpetrators.

Ferenc Orosz was assaulted because he spoke out against hate speech. However, this

foul deed has not dissuaded us and in fact has strengthened our resolve to take the most

decisive possible action against all manifestations of hate speech and behaviour in the

future. The blows were sustained not only by the chairman of an organisation that stands

up for human rights, and a member of FIDESZ, but are also an assault against all

Hungarian people of good heart.

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