



PRESS RELEASE 05/05/2026 DISINFORMATION ON BEHALF OF BELLINGCAT

On 12/11/2025, the chairman of the [ELR Foundation](#), Mr. [Gabor Landman](#), was [accused](#) in the [Balie](#) by Yoeri Deodatus Albrecht of being paid by the Russian secret service to raise objections. Mr. Yoeri Albrecht [referred](#) to an investigation by the [journalistic research team](#) of the Bellingcat Foundation, [Chamber of Commerce number 72136030](#), with its registered office in Amsterdam.

In 2016, Landman ran a [stemtegen.eu](#) campaign during the Ukraine referendum. Silencing a critic of Ukraine by spreading [the baseless lie](#) that he works for the Russian secret service undermines the democratic rule of law. Landman has filed a report of defamation. See <https://language-rights.eu/balie.pdf>

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The investigative journalism team [Bellingcat](#) has been repeatedly asked for a response as part of its social responsibility, yet [emails](#) and [letters](#) remain [unanswered](#). Furthermore, Bellingcat cannot be reached by phone. This conduct is unworthy of a reputable investigative journalism team.

If [Bellingcat](#) is being used to spread lies in its name, then the credibility of the investigative journalism team will be permanently damaged.

The board of the Bellingcat Foundation must therefore **immediately** issue a written statement regarding Mr. Yoeri Albrecht's remarks at De Balie instead of cowardly playing hide-and-seek.