

Vehicle used by killers found by police

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The investigation against the perpetrators of murder in Smilkovci village seriously progresses. Their profile is defined but not their number and identity, Interior Minister Gordana Jankuloska said Sunday. She said that she couldn't present more details regarding the profile of murderers because material evidences are still being processed.

A vehicle is among the material evidences, which was found 10 kilometers away from crime scene. The marks the vehicle left at the crime scene corresponded to the tires of the vehicle

She said that information received from 199 phone line helped them a lot and encourages the citizens to continue to call.

Police so far have questioned over 100 persons but there are no suspects. Statements of the families of the victims will be essential.

Jankuloska said all scenarios are still open, but it is unlikely that the murder was preceded by other criminal act, which would be connected with this case.

Ivanov and Gruevski pledge to bring murder perpetrators to justice President Gjorge Ivanov and Prime Minister Nikola Gruevski condemned the murder of the five people near Skopje's village of Smilkovci. They expressed their deep sympathy and condolences to the families of the victims and pledged that murder perpetrators will be brought to justice.

- In these days we cannot stop thinking about the murder of the five men and to express sympathy to their families and relatives. We expect perpetrators to be found and punished, President Ivanov said after the Easter liturgy in "St. Kliment Ohridski" church.

Prime Minister Gruevski expressed his condolences to the families of the five victims murdered in tragic event on Thursday.

- This event upset us all. It affects us deeply but we must keep our heads up and to continue coping with the challenges. I want to send message to perpetrators that sooner or later they will be brought to justice and punished by law and by God if they even understand what this means at all, Gruevski said. Autopsy Results Each victim was shot from close range between 3-6 times in the head, and multiple times in chest and back.