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criminal case had been opened on the basis of the reports filed. Since 7 March, the city authorities have provided a 24-hour police watch at the Consulate-General *building* using the guard post pavilion.

On 6 March 2022, an unidentified person stole the national flag of the Republic of Belarus from the flagpole of the Embassy of Belarus in Finland. On 10 March, the State flag of the Republic of Belarus was torn off and cut down from the Embassy flagpole.

The city law enforcement authorities were informed about the incidents and a protest note was sent to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Information was received from the Helsinki police about the start of the investigation, as well as a preliminary report on the crimes, and, in a reply note, the