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Preliminary Transparency Report for the project "Julian Assange", project area "Moral Courage"

(April 2019 to June 2024)

Introduction

With the arrest of Julian Assange on April 11, 2019 from the Ecuadorian Embassy in London, the Wau Holland Foundation («WHS») board of directors decided¹ to collect donations towards the legal defense against the U.S. extradition request. The Foundation takes the view that the trial against Julian Assange should be seen as a test case for freedom of the press and freedom of information. As such, the work in this context is relevant to one of the Foundation's core tasks (freedom of information), as defined in its statutes.

In the years 2019 to 2021, costs incurred were covered proportionately by advances from the WHS and earmarked donations (bank transfers and PayPal). In February 2022, the WHS received a large donation of 16,593 ETH, which was raised by the AssangeDAO for the purchase of an NFT and donated to the Foundation by the digital artist Pak.² With these extra funds, the Foundation was able to support and coordinate Julian's extensive legal defense and the associated public relations work; in addition, it was possible to compensate for advances made by the Foundation.

In accordance with the specifications of the tax office, the ETH account is treated as a foreign currency account. The ETH funds were converted into EUR via the company Bity in Switzerland at the current exchange rate, as and when needed. Incoming funds (in EUR) from exchange activities were transferred by Bity directly to the project account DE62 5204 0021 0277 2812 07 of the WHS, and accounted as (donation) receipts; in parallel, a separate ETH account is maintained.

The WHS's own costs (e.g. travel, expenses, IT infrastructure and office costs) are covered by the reserve of 5% of donations received and are not itemized separately in this report.

By resolution of the board of directors, this project is to be brought to a close on July 31, 2024. At this point in time, the WHS is not yet able to present the final accounts because outstanding invoices will not be available until mid-August, and the WHS has to clarify the possible continuation of some of the work with lawyers. Only then can a final transparency report be presented.

1 <https://www.wauland.de/en/news/2019/04/zivilcourage-julian-assange/>

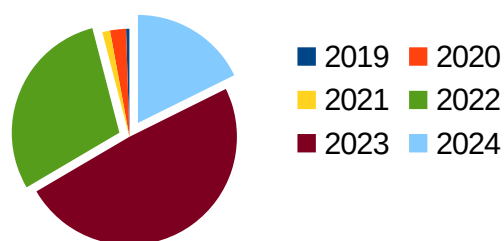
2 <https://wauland.de/en/news/2022/02/donation-for-defense-of-julian-assange/>

Executive Summary

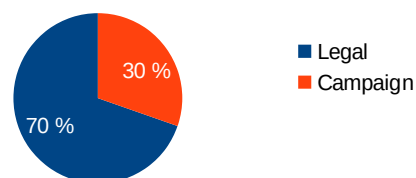
Income / Expenses in EUR

Year	Expenses	Income	Current Balance ³
2019	80,388	24,192	-56,196
2020	399,436	314,748	-140,884
2021	194,005	63,189	-271,700
2022	4,895,790	5,160,183	-7,307
2023 ⁴	8,145,003	8,944,388	792,078
2024 ^{4,5}	2,947,730	3,299,224	1,143,572
Total:	16,662,352	17,805,924	

Expenses per year



Shares of costs



- 3 A negative balance is covered by WHS advances from free reserves; a positive balance is credit on the project account.
- 4 The EUR donations for the project have not yet been finalized in the accounting; these direct donations are not recorded in the table.
- 5 Only accounting up to June 24, 2024

ETH Account (February 2022 to June 2024)

- **Income:** **16,593.0343 ETH**
 - Allocation WHS: 0.0343 ETH
 - Donation from Pak: 16,593.0000 ETH
- **Expenses:** **12,161.4350 ETH**
 - Exchanged: 10,587.0000 ETH
 - Direct payments: 1,574.4350 ETH (see year 2022)
- **Account Balance:** **4,431.5993 ETH**

Income / Expenditure Overview (in EUR)

2019

Income:		24,192
• Donations:	24,192	
Expenses:		80,388
• Legal:	78,193	
• Campaigns & public relations work:	2,195	

Shares of costs 2019



Balance:		-56,196
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The negative balance of EUR 56,196 was covered by the WHS (advance).

2020

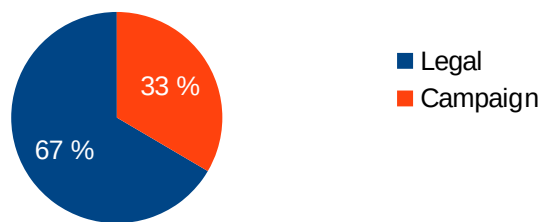
Income: **314,748**

- Donations: 314,748

Expenses: **399,436**

- Legal: 265,812
- Campaigns & public relations work: 133,624

Shares of costs 2020



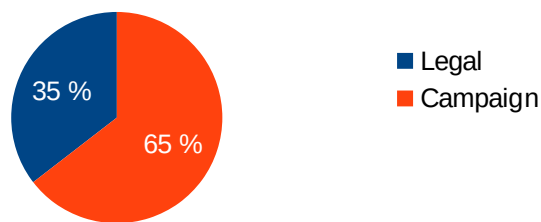
Balance: **-73,688**

The negative balance of EUR 73,688 was covered by the WHS. The total accrued advance amounts to EUR 140,884.

2021

Income:	63,189
• Donations:	63,189
Expenses:	194,005
• Legal:	68,815
• Campaigns & public relations work:	125,190

Shares of costs 2021



Balance: **-130,816**

The negative balance of EUR 130,816 was covered by the WHS. The total accrued advance amounts to EUR 271,700.

2022

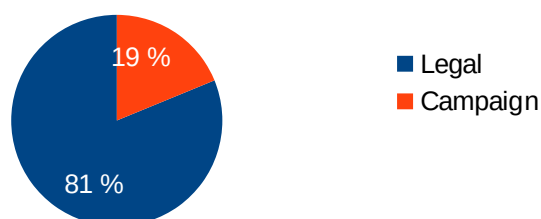
Income: **5,160,183**

- Donations: 264,393
- Exchange of ether (3800 ETH) 5,088,277

Expenses: **4,895,790**

- Legal: 3,975,692
- Campaigns & public relations work: 920,098

Shares of costs 2022



Balance: **264,393**

The positive balance of EUR 264,393 is offset against the advances paid; the total remaining advance amounts to EUR 7,307.

Expenses ETH: **1,574.4350**

- The establishment of a multi-signature wallet (Gnosis Safe) and the provision of Trezor devices to the members of the executive board cost 5.03 ETH.
- Since it was not possible to exchange ETH for fiat until the end of May, lawyers and campaigns were paid directly in ETH where possible:
 - 08.04.2022: Payment to the Assange Campaign International (ACI) in the amount of 580.755 ETH (3.5 %) as a commission for fundraising
 - 09.05.2022: Payment to the Human Rights Institute (HRI)⁶ in the amount of 35 ETH for campaign work
 - 11.05.2022: Payment to Barry Pollack (US lawyer) in the amount of 124 ETH for legal work
 - 09.05.2022: Surplus funds in the amount of 829.65 ETH (5%) retained by / booked to WHS.

6 <https://www.ludskeprava.sk/>

2023

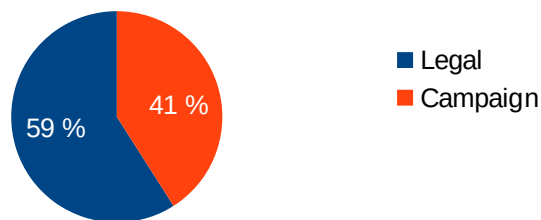
Income: **8,944,388**

- Donations: (not yet finalized in the accounting)
- Exchange of ether (5700 ETH): 8,944,388

Expenses: **8,145,003**

- Lawyers: 4,808,601
- Campaigns & public relations work: 3,336,402

Shares of costs 2023



Balance: **799,385**

The positive balance of EUR 799,385 is credited to the project account; the credit balance on the project account amounts to EUR 792,078.

2024 (until 24.06.)

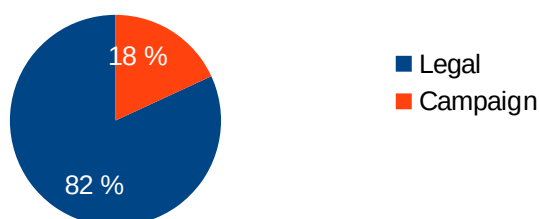
Income: **3,299,224**

- Donations (not yet finalized in the accounting)
- Exchange of ether (1087 ETH): 3,299,224

Expenses: **2,947,730**

- Lawyers: 2,414,138
- Campaigns & public relations work: 533,592

Shares of costs 2024



Balance: **351,494**

The positive balance of EUR 351,494 is credited to the project account; the credit balance on the project account amounts to EUR 1,143,572.

Outstanding Liabilities:

1. Outstanding invoices will probably not be available before mid-August 2024.
2. The Foundation believes that the binding assumption of costs (respectively 'deed; bond') with the Australian government, for the costs of the charter flight on which Julian traveled from London via Bangkok and Saipan to Australia, will not be honored. The Assange campaign team has decided to collect separate donations for the flight and Julian's recovery⁷ and has so far raised a total of around EUR 1 million. We therefore assume that the flight costs will not have to be paid by the Foundation.
3. The Foundation must consult with the lawyers about the possible continuation of some work, including ongoing legal processes (e.g. court proceedings).

⁷ <https://freeassange.org/donate/>

ETH / EUR - Exchanges

Datum	ETH	EUR
2022-06-03	50	83,431.16
2022-06-08	150	251,332.13
2022-06-20	150	158,964.69
2022-07-04	150	155,035.80
2022-07-13	150	159,537.09
2022-07-14	150	163,844.50
2022-07-20	150	223,661.48
2022-07-25	150	222,154.92
2022-08-09	150	244,503.04
2022-08-17	150	268,050.14
2022-09-09	150	249,388.81
2022-09-23	150	196,690.02
2022-09-26	150	202,024.96
2022-09-27	150	215,176.73
2022-09-28	150	197,874.06
2022-10-26	150	230,007.83
2022-10-31	150	237,163.96
2022-11-02	150	234,778.74
2022-11-14	150	178,793.89
2022-11-23	150	167,400.52
2022-12-06	150	178,082.79
2022-12-09	150	181,075.20

Datum	ETH	EUR
2022-12-15	150	178,394.33
2022-12-20	150	170,503.65
2022-12-21	150	169,995.95
2022-12-23	150	170,410.78
2023-01-03	150	171,450.90
2023-01-05	150	174,968.98
2023-01-27	150	216,135.65
2023-01-30	150	217,338.74
2023-01-31	150	217,552.02
2023-02-27	150	230,704.59
2023-03-06	150	219,008.23
2023-03-09	150	215,996.98
2023-03-17	150	244,376.53
2023-03-22	150	246,767.56
2023-03-23	150	250,382.64
2023-03-28	150	237,752.77
2023-05-02	150	248,040.26
2023-05-12	150	242,072.61
2023-06-05	150	260,103.14
2023-06-07	150	256,695.34
2023-06-19	150	235,007.66
2023-06-22	150	256,671.63

Datum	ETH	EUR
2023-06-27	150	254,739.64
2023-07-05	150	263,222.90
2023-07-19	150	253,149.67
2023-08-11	150	250,983.79
2023-08-14	150	250,602.77
2023-08-24	150	228,801.16
2023-09-06	150	225,161.67
2023-09-20	150	225,749.70
2023-09-28	150	234,026.84
2023-09-29	150	234,370.60
2023-10-04	150	231,810.02
2023-10-09	150	223,958.39
2023-10-10	150	219,492.65
2023-10-11	150	221,129.34

Datum	ETH	EUR
2023-10-18	150	221,730.40
2023-10-19	150	220,488.36
2023-10-23	150	235,473.64
2023-10-27	150	251,704.99
2023-10-31	150	251,371.34
2023-12-21	150	305,393.64
2024-01-23	150	304,265.77
2024-02-16	150	389,979.23
2024-03-06	100	344,453.53
2024-03-10	100	355,065.65
2024-05-01	150	425,886.78
2024-05-22	145	498,435.50
2024-05-29	142	492,539.50
2024-06-19	150	488,597.58