

Subject: Newsbud Demands Public Retraction from NBC for Unethical False Reporting

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On July 15, 2016, as an attempted coup unfolded in Turkey, a report began to circulate widely that Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan had fled the country by air and was requesting asylum in Germany. The apparent origin of this report was NBC News. A tweet has also been cited in many articles from MSNBC Segment Producer, Kyle Griffin. Griffin's tweet that stated, "senior US military source tells NBC News that Erdogan, refused landing rights in Istanbul, is reported to be seeking asylum in Germany." This report was presented as factual, and was reported on by many different media outlets. Despite an intense public outcry, to date there has been no explanation, retraction or apology for it from NBC, MSNBC, or Kyle Griffin. We at Newsbud believe it is highly irresponsible and harmful to present and circulate a false report.

Newsbud is requesting that NBC and MSNBC issue a public retraction of and an official explanation for this false report and identify its Senior US Military Source.

If no public explanation and retraction is given by NBC and MSNBC by 12:00pm PST Monday, July 25, 2016, Newsbud will travel to New York to request the retraction publicly at NBC News headquarters.

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