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Dear Ambassador Aydın Adnan Sezgin,

We are writing to you to express our concern over the detention of the President of KESK, Lami Özgen, as well as Osman Isçi, member of KESK but also Euro-Mediterranean Human rights network executive member and Human Rights association' s (IHD) former expert. The first have been released and the later still being jailed.

We would like to protest over the nine women trade unionists who were taken into custody on the morning of 13 February 2012 and as far as we are aware they have not been released. The Health Workers Union of the Russian Federation demands the immediate release of KESK members and leaders who have been detained for more than two months without any legal basis.

This new wave of arrests, officially justified by the anti-terror fight, represents another threat towards Turkish citizens' fundamental freedoms. Along with journalists, lawyers, law makers, academicians, students, trade unionists represent one of the major victims of the present Turkish anti terror-law, which is increasing censorship as well as auto censorship in the matter of freedom of speech, freedom of press and labor rights. Below you will find list of the trade unionists still in jail without any real reason. We would like also to express our concern for the situation of Ismet Arslan, who is in jail while having a skin cancer; we consider that the minimum human standards are not being respected by the Turkish republic.

The Health Workers Union of the Russian Federation strongly condemns the violation of human and trade union rights. We will continue to defend the rights to freedom of association and expression and other fundamental human rights. For this reason, we demand the immediate release of the KESK members who remain in prison and the dropping of all charges against the 15 women who were arrested on 13 February and the arrested trade unionists on June 25th. Finally, we demand the release of the 73 people still arrested.

Yours truly,

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3. Ahmet ZIREK
4. Ali KARATAY
5. Ali Saripinar
6. Ayhan KURTULAN
7. Aykut Erhan TURGUT
8. Bedriye YORGUN
9. Bekir GÜRBÜZ
10. Belgizar SAZAK
11. Belkis YURTSEVER
12. BÜSRA ERSANLI
13. Canan ÇALAGAN
14. Celal ÇALISIR
15. Çerkez AYDEMİR
16. Deniz BOZBEY
17. Dogan ANGAY
18. Erdal TURAN
19. Erdal YILMAZ
20. Erol AYDEMİR
21. Evrim ÖZDEMİR OGRAS
22. Ferruh ÇELİK
23. Fikret ÇALAGAN
24. Güldane ERDOĞAN
25. Güler ELVEREN
26. Halil TOP
27. HANIM KOÇYIGIT
28. Hasan ÖLGÜN
29. Hatice BEYDILLI KAHRAMAN
30. Hayrettin CAYMAZ
31. Hülya MENDİLLİOĞLU
32. Hüseyin BAYRAK
33. İSKAN EMEKÇİ
34. İsmet ASLAN
35. İzzettin ALPERGİN
36. Mahmut BINİCİ
37. Malgir GENÇ
38. Mehmet Ali ASLAN
39. Mehmet ARDA
40. Mehmet BOZGEYİK
41. Mehmet DEMİRAL
42. Mehmet Nuri DENİZ
43. Mehmet Sezgin İBİN
44. Mehmet Siddik AKIN
45. Metin FİNDİK
46. Metin VURANOK
47. Muhsin BEYDOĞAN
48. Mustafa BOZAN
49. Muzaffer ÇINAR
50. Nazire AYATA CİVELEK
51. Nihat KİLİNÇALP
52. Nursat YESİL
53. Olcay KANLIBAS
54. Osman ÇELİK
55. Osman İŞÇİ
56. Sakine ESEN YILMAZ

57. Sedat GÜLER
58. Seher TÜMER
59. Serhat KOÇ
60. Serhat UGUR
61. Serpil ARSLAN DÜZGÜN
62. Seyfettin YAVUZ
63. Seyran SIK
64. Sibel ANIL
65. Sinan BESIROGLU
66. Serif ILDOGAN
67. Tarik ALTIN
68. Tarik KAYA
69. Veysel ÖZHEKTI
70. Yilmaz YILDIRIMCI
71. Yunus AKIL
72. Yüksel OZAN
73. Zeynep SULAR OKAN