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BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE LAST SITUATION IN TURKISH "F" TYPE PRISONS

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**STOP THE ISOLATION IN THE "F" TYPE PRISONS
THE RIGHT OF "10" HOURS" MEETING BY WEEK FOR THE
PRISONNERS MUST BE APPLIED**

The "F" Type Prisons are the isolation's prisons applied in Turkey. When the authorities wanted to open these prisons in 1999, a large mass protested these

kind of prisons in order to stop the isolation. The organizations and the sciences are against the isolation. But the “F” Type isolation’s prisons were opened with the support of EU and USA. From the beginning until now, all of the problems foresighted are realized. Most of the political and forensic prisoners who are in F Type prisons have psychological and physical illness. Until now 122 persons who resisted against the isolation are died and more than 600 persons are disabled.

As we know, the logic of these prisons is the isolation. The isolation is the attack against the humanization of the man and it spreads the torture to all the life. There isn’t any logic in these prisons. For example, an analphabet prisoner wanted to participate to an alphabetization program, the jail administration asked him to write a petition!!! A prisoner without shoes who is against the foot search isn’t brought to the infirmary.

In the F type prisons, the torture and the intimidation and to make submitted the prisoners begin in the entrance of the prison. The jailers impose to the prisoners to become completely naked and to obey to body search. The prisoners who are against this kind of humiliation are insulted and beaten violently. This situation takes place in every going to the Court and hospital. Going to the Court and hospital becomes a real torture.

The communication between the prisoners and between the prisoners and their relatives and friends are prevented by the prohibitions on each occasion. In this way, the isolation becomes graver. If all these isolation’s methods are insufficient according to jail administration, the control commission of letters begins to work, controls letters and doesn’t give them to the prisoner by saying that this letter encourages the prisoner or this letter insults the jail administration etc. For example a humor magazine made by the prisoners is sent to another prison, there isn’t any problem but when it is sent to the third prison, the administration of that prison doesn’t give this magazine to the prisoner of this prison saying that this magazine insults the State. To prevent to deliver a letter by saying that this letter encourages the prisoner is very strange. This means that the jail’s administration wants to demoralize the prisoners. The periodicals which are legal and not prohibited aren’t delivered to the prisoners or are delivered very late after many months.

The ill prisoners can’t have health service. The ill prisoners who have chronicle illness can’t have the treatment regularly and their illness become serious. The prisoners who have the illness like illness of the heart, vein and kidneys and who need a diet, they can’t have a diet in F Type prisons. Another health problem exists fort the prisoners who have psychological

problems. For example an forensic prisoner; Mehmet GÜÇLÜ suicide by hanging himself. The jail's administration knows very well his illness and continue to keep him in one person cell. And Mehmet GÜÇLÜ suicide at the end of October. And he would be released in three months after his suicide. Moreover, the Ministry of the Justice inspectors visited this prison two days before this suicide. They stayed only one minute in every cell saying that they don't have enough time. Another prisoner mentally ill burned his bed and his things and the jail administration process this prisoner in order to ask to pay for he burned bed. In seven last years, there are many prisoners who died to resist against the isolation many of them suicide and tried to suicide, many of them suffer from the different illness caused by the isolation.

All these problems aren't the bad behavior of some jailers and some administrators. These prisons are the isolation's prisons. This is proved not only by us (TAYAD) but also by The Union of the Doctors, The Union of the Architects and Engineers, The Human Rights Associations and by the psychologists.

The F Type prisons are the shame of Humanity. When we describe a man we say that the man is a social being. In the F Type prisons, the first condition of the existence of the human beings is eliminated. When this essential condition of the man is eliminated, the prisoners have psychological problems and they loose their human capacity. Everybody has to protest these F Type prisons because they are constructed against the man and sciences. Until when The Ministry of the Justice and the government will continue to turn a deaf ear in front of the humanity and science.

The Ministry of The Justice has signed and declared to the public opinion this circular on 22 January 2007. If the prisons apply the circular no. 45/1 which lets the meeting of ten prisoners during 10 hours by week, it will take the first step in order to solve the problems. But since one year the circular hasn't been applied in F Type prisons. This shows us that The Ministry of The Justice isn't sincere.

Being the families of TAYAD, we want to abolish the isolation which is a torture. We consider the isolation like a crime committed against the humanity. We invite The Ministry of The Justice to respect the human sciences. We wait urgently for the new steps which can prevent the big pain of the prisoners.

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