The Ministry of Justice

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Zevenaar, 10 December 2024.

Dear Minister,

I call on you to ensure the criminal justice system is not misused to harass forensic medicine expert Şebnem Korur Fincancı and no other charges are brought against her for defending human rights.

Şebnem has been subjected to baseless criminal investigations, detention and prosecutions for years, in a bid to silence her.

In January 2023 she was convicted for allegedly "making propaganda for a terrorist organization" after she had called for an investigation into allegations that the Turkish military was using chemical weapons in Iraq. Calling for the eradication of torture should never be criminalized.

Yours sincerely,

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