



TANER KILIÇ

TURKEY

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For fastest return please photograph and email to activism@amnesty.org.au

You can also drop them off at an Amnesty action centre or post to:
Amnesty Brave campaign,
Locked Bag 23, Broadway, NSW 2007

For more information about Taner's case visit www.amnesty.org.au/brave_activist

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CASE SUMMARY

Taner Kılıç, Chair of Amnesty International Turkey, was thrown into prison on the absurd charge of being a member of an “armed terrorist organisation” in June 2017.

One month later, Idil Eser, head of Amnesty Turkey and 9 others were arrested and detained. All 10 are also facing membership charges. Known as the Istanbul 10, following a global outcry they were released on bail last year, although they remain at risk.\

Taner was granted conditional release on 31 January, however, just as Taner's family waited for him to walk out of jail, he was re-arrested. His wife and daughters never got the chance to welcome him home.

There is no new evidence against him, and treating him and his family in this manner is not only unjust - it is cruel.

Taner's imprisonment and the detention of the Istanbul 10 were the latest in a series of Turkish authorities efforts to silence its critics and crackdown on freedoms. Since an attempted coup in July 2016, over 150,000 people have been placed under criminal investigation.

Taner and the Istanbul 10 have dedicated their lives to defending the rights of others.

We need to keep the pressure up on the authorities to make sure the order to release Taner is respected, and that he is freed immediately.

Call for Turkey to immediately release Taner Kılıç, stop persecuting rights defenders, and drop the charges against them.



ACT NOW

SIGN THE PETITION TO THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE

Urge the Minister of Justice to ensure the court's order to release Taner is respected, and that he is freed immediately.

STAND IN SOLIDARITY WITH TANER

As of June, Taner will have spent a year in prison. Send a message of solidarity to your local action centre by the 15th of May and we'll send them onto Taner so it arrives by June.