**TO THE INTERPOL GENERAL SECRETARIAT**

**AND**

**TO THE COMMISSION FOR THE CONTROL OF INTERPOL’S FILES**

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**Subject:** Refugee Status Notification for your records.

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is isim soyisim. I am contacting you for the following reason; I hold Turkish citizenship, and was granted refugee status by the Belgian authorities on 20 October 2017.

As you may be aware, the Turkish Government has been persecuting thousands of people, including myself, following the July 2016 military coup attempt, holding them responsible for involving in the coup attempt, or by accusing them, groundlessly, of being a member of terrorist organization. This is why I had to flee Turkey and apply for asylum.

In an effort to restrict the movements of its dissidents, the Turkish Government has attempted -and still keeps the same intention-to issue red notices or diffusions against its opponents by abusing the INTERPOL mechanism.

Once a red notice or diffusion has been issued somehow by any country, it creates great challenges for aggrieved people and causes irreparable damages. Many international organizations and high level politicians have voiced their concerns about the matter in various occasions and at different platforms.

As you will recall, Interpol General Secretariat has adopted policies for not processing of data for recognized refugees and asylum seekers to protect them from the oppression of autocratic regimes. The decision of the INTERPOL Executive Committe dated June 2014, and also the Resolution endorsed by General Assembly at its 86th session clearly state that the General Secretariat shall not process any data against individuals whose refugee status or applications for asylum have been confirmed.

Based on the decision of the INTERPOL Executive Committee dated June 2014, and INTERPOL General Assembly Resolution in 2017; (Resolution No. 9 GA-2017-86-RES-09),

***I am kindly requesting the General Secretariat and also the Commission for the Control of INTERPOL’s Files (CCF)****, in conformity with the regulations established by the General Secretariat,* ***to record my name as a refugee so as to ensure that your offices take into consideration my refugee status, and not to proceed any data against myself in case of any Red Notice or Diffusion request by Turkey. Other than your own records, please send a copy of this letter to the CCF as well.***

I would like your offices, for my own safety and security, to keep my identity and communication addresses confidental, as laid down in the concerned statutes of the General Secretariat.

Should you need further information in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Sincerely yours,

 İsim imza

**Full Name & Surname : ad soyisim**

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**ANNEXES :**

1. A copy of my ID Card (Refugee / Asylum Seeker)
2. A copy of my National ID Card