

SUBMISSION TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

Yalçınkaya judgment and the 2023/24 annual report - 1 December 2023

SRL submitted this communication to Amnesty International's Secretary General regarding the forthcoming 2023/24 edition of *The State of the World's Human Rights*. The letter reiterates concerns that Amnesty International's Türkiye reporting had not sufficiently reflected large-scale post-2016 human-rights issues.

The submission places particular emphasis on the Grand Chamber judgment in *Yüksel Yalçınkaya v. Türkiye* of 26 September 2023. It notes the Court's findings of violations of the right to a fair trial, the principle of no punishment without law, and freedom of assembly and association under Articles 6, 7 and 11 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

SRL highlights the Court's discussion of the wider systemic dimension of the case and the potentially large number of similar applications. The communication argues that the judgment should be given substantial weight in Amnesty International's future assessment of human-rights developments in Türkiye.

The letter requests that Amnesty International address these matters prominently in its 2023/24 report, invites cooperation and exchange of documentation, and attaches additional information comparing issues covered in the 2022/23 Türkiye section with matters SRL considered omitted.

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