KEY FINDINGS

Liberty and effective remedies in Türkiye

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1. The report raises alleged domestic and cross-border abductions and asks for information on whereabouts, investigation mechanisms and remedies. Recording an individual's account upon reappearance and preserving evidence are essential to examining periods outside officially acknowledged custody.

2. The custody sections discuss allegations of ill-treatment and the deaths of Mustafa Kabakçıoğlu and Zeki Güven. The request is for effective investigations and detailed answers, including scrutiny of access to care and oversight, rather than a presumption that every allegation has already been judicially established.

3. The judicial section connects arbitrary detention and emergency-decree dismissals to independence, foreseeable legal criteria and implementation of Yalçınkaya. It challenges reliance on vague affiliation concepts and distinguishes the existence of review procedures from their effectiveness for affected individuals.

Priorities for action

Investigate credible abduction, torture and custody-death allegations promptly and independently. Preserve detention, medical and other relevant records; inform families and disclose reasoned findings while protecting witnesses and personal data.

This is a retrospective summary of the September 2024 submission. Allegations, institutional assessments and judicial findings are not interchangeable; current custodial status and later investigations are not independently established by this document.

SRL Swiss, Submission to the Human Rights Committee, September 2024, pp. 3–14, recommendations 85–103.

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