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Dear Mr. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan,
Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey

Dear Mr. Recep Tayyip Erdogan, by not accepting the protest which our community carried out by using its natural democratic rights against Turkey’s imposed economic and political package and measures; you have accused this countries co-operative government and tens of thousands of our people who have filled the streets.

We would like to remind the ones who try to seize the Turkish Cypriots political will once again that each community has the right to govern itself and to live independently and freely within its geography.

In the statements you have given at Kirghizstan you have clearly expressed the view of yours as the Turkey’s Prime Minister and AKP, how you see Turkish Cypriots. You must no longer hide behind the vote for “Yes” which was given by the Turkish Cypriots at the 2004 referendum.

By using the authority which was given by the Treaties of Guarantee and of Alliance of the 1960 Cyprus Republic, in the words of the periods Turkish Prime Minister Bülent Ecevit who carried out the 1974 Cyprus military intervention, had stated that they have come to reestablish the constitutional order of the Cyprus Republic and to bring peace not only to the Turkish Cypriots but to the Greek Cypriots also. We would like to remind you this one again.

AKP is continuing its policy to culturally and socially erode Turkish Cypriots, to impoverish laborers and to migrate them from their own country by using the mosque and religious propagandas.

We do not accept your false statements which claims that “a minimum salary of a civil servant is 10 thousand Turkish Lira”, as in reality a minimum salary of a civil servant in our country is 1540 Turkish Lira. While you are making statements in favor of the USA at the Middle East, you called the president of Egypt by referring to the demonstrations to “listen to the voice of the streets, respect the community”. However, when it comes to you, you have not respected the demonstration which tens of thousands of people participated in and to the will which was reflected to the streets, and you launched it as IMMODESTY.

We are watching in horror the neo-liberal Islamic policies of AKP on the Turkish working people, and we as a community living in another country would like to declare on behalf of our patriotic and working people that we will not permit these policies and we will not step back.

This country is ours, we will rule it.

Sincerely

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