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*Dear Sir / Madam,*

**Re: DEMIRKAPI, Deniz (07-04-1980)**

I write on behalf of Ms Deniz Demirkapi. This is a request for access to information under Article 18(2) of the Rules on the Processing of Data (RPD). Please find enclosed an original signed power of attorney; a copy of an identity document will be sent electronically.

**Background**

Ms Demirkapi was stopped when transiting through Zurich international airport, Switzerland on 5 April at approximately 14:00 local time. She was informed by border / police agents that she was 'declared wanted through INTERPOL by Turkey'. After consultations with 'Interpol Berne' (we understand this to be the NCB for Switzerland), Ms Demirkapi was notified that the Swiss authorities had no interest in pursuing the matter further, having regard in particular to the fact that the facts in question were very old. She was then allowed to catch her connecting flight.

Ms Demirkapi was stopped when travelling on a family holiday with her husband, Mr Bahar Kimyongür, and their children. Please note that an earlier alert against Mr Kimyongür, relating to a demonstration in the European Parliament in the year 2000, was challenged before the Commission (reference: CCF/90/R371.13). By letter of 22 August 2014, the Commission informed us that the alert against Mr Kimyongür had been deleted. That earlier alert having led to Mr Kimyongür's repeated arrest and detention, with significant impact upon his family life, we are concerned to learn of this further use of INTERPOL's systems against a family member and ask the Commission for an urgent response to enable Ms Demirkapi to make further observations to the Commission.

**Access Request**

Pursuant to Article 18(2) of the RPD, I respectfully request that you grant access to files concerning Ms Deniz Demirkapi. This request includes, but is not limited to, the following:


- Copy of any notice, diffusion or other information, with any caveat or addendum;
- Copies of arrest warrants and other documents on INTERPOL's files; and
- Copies of any messages relating to Ms Demirkapi recorded on INTERPOL's files.

**Article 14(5) of the Operating Rules**

The events at Zurich airport described above provide sufficient evidence that Ms Demirkapi is aware that there is information on INTERPOL's files. Accordingly, pursuant to Article 14(5) of the Operating Rules, the Commission is asked to provide the requested disclosure without the need for prior consultation of the Turkish authorities.

Please feel free to contact me on [alex.tinsley@fairtrials.net](mailto:alex.tinsley@fairtrials.net) for further information.

*Cours faithfully,*



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