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Dear addressee,

We, as Yıldırım Attorney and Advocacy are contacting you on behalf of our client IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation ("IHH"). We are writing to you about a news story published on on your news site under the https://www.organiser.org/Encyc/2020/11/16/Popular-Front-of-India-met-with-Turkey-s-IHH.html .It becomes obligatory to contact you because of the reason that the news you have obviously quoted from the Nordic Research & Monitoring ("Nordic Monitor") news site consist of unfounded and baseless claims. For this reason, we present our position and defense to the baseless news below to your attention.

First of all, it needs to be clear that our client IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation is a non-profit organization based in Turkey, which operates worldwide in the provision of charitable aid and acts an advocate for human rights and humanitarian diplomacy. It works to prevent the violation of the basic rights and freedoms of people who suffer as a result of extreme poverty, war, natural disasters or similar calamities. IHH is also a membership of the International Council of Voluntary Agencies ("ICVA"). Also our client is a United Nations ("UN") Economic and Social Council ("ECOSOC") membership of a consultant status. The UN Charter established ECOSOC in 1945 as one the six main organs of the UN. It is the central platform for fostering debate and innovative thinking, forging consensus on ways forward, and coordinating efforts to achieve internationally agreed goals.

The acronym IHH is derived from the charity's Turkish name, İnsan Hak ve Hürriyetleri ve İnsani Yardım Vakfı which translate into English as "The Foundation for Human Rights and Freedoms and Humanitarian Relief" and is commonly referred to as "IHH Humanitarian Relief Foundation".

In your news story, you have mentioned, that the European research group Nordic Monitor reported about a 2018 meeting between India's PFI and our client, as you mentioned our client unfortunately in grimly way a "jihadist group". We first want to mention, that the mentioned meeting in 2018 was not held in secret. The meeting was opened to the general public. The photos and articles about the meeting were published on our client's official website.

The news you have quoted from the Nordic Monitor web site were written by a Turkish journalist Abdullah Bozkurt. A short summary will show you the true face about Abdullah Bozkurt and Nordic Monitor.

Abdullah Bozkurt, born in 1971 in Balıkesir/Turkey has started his journalist carrier at "Zaman", a journal related to the Fethullahist terror organization("FETÖ") also known as the "Gülen movement". After the failed coup attempt of FETÖ in 15th July 2016 in the Republic of Turkey ("Turkey"), Abdullah Bozkurt flees abroad because of his relation to the terror organization FETÖ. There are several warrants about Abdullah Bozkurt in Turkey. Abdullah Bozkurt played an important role in the management of perception operations, propaganda activities of the organization and lobbying activities within FETÖ. At present, Abdullah Bozkurt is still continuing his campaign, incompatible with the ethics of Journalism against Turkey and especially our client IHH as a spokesman for FETÖ at Nordic Monitor. Considering the inconsistent and baseless statements contained in Abdullah Bozkurt's writings and his membership to FETÖ together, it is clear that Abdullah Bozkurt does not act on a journalistic motive. He is trying to shape the society with his grimly thoughts rather than transferring news events and facts to the society. We also want to mention that the access to several web links and news on Nordic Monitor targeting our client IHH were denied by the Turkish courts on account of the fact that these claims violates one's personal right and create perception. In this scope, the claims of Nordic Monitor's are totally baseless. They don't have any supportive documents of their claims. There is no court decision to justify their claims.

If we take into account all of these factors, reserving the right to object and that there is not any ruling about IHH, it becomes necessary to remove the news published under the link mentioned above. Otherwise we are obliged to take legal actions against your institution.

The IHH press and public relations unit and the IHH legal department are ready to respond.

For your attention,