**With regard to the paragraph 66;**

Official buildings of courts where hostile confrontation of disputed parties should be avoided and of hospitals where continuity of medical services should be ensured are amongst the places of rendering public services of vital importance. National parliament, on the other side, is the main democratic institution, fulfilling legislative duties in a democratic society, functioning of which needs to be secured.

In addition to the legitimate aim of maintaining public order and ensuring continuity of crucial activities of such institutions without undue interception, considerable security threats posed by terrorist organizations -*Turkey has long suffered from and fighting against violent acts of PKK, FETÖ and DHKP/C, their bloody attacks resulted in high number of casualties in the past*- also require critical public buildings to be sensitively protected.

Restricting and/or regulating demonstrations within or in the immediate vicinity of certain places (buildings) pursues a legitimate aim, as the second sentence of the article 21 of the Covenant entitles States to impose “lawful restrictions” on the exercise of the right to freedom of assembly.

**With regard to the paragraph 70;**

Peaceful assemblies commencing in a non-violent manner may in many cases unpredictably turn into violent gatherings during which public or private property is vandalized, bystanders or law enforcement officers are seriously injured and even deaths occur.

While ability of law enforcement to distinguish individuals who engaged in violence reduce significantly during mass demonstrations, practice of wearing face coverings makes identification of perpetrators more difficult, almost impossible.

Opposing to the interpretation presented in the paragraph 70, wearing face coverings mostly serve for the purpose of being used as a means of impunity. Applying the ban would practically be impossible and totally ineffective after the stage of demonstrable evidence of imminent violence has been reached.

Therefore, deletion of the paragraph 70 is proposed.