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Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

Re: Views on the topics during the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law

Dear Madame,

The Journalists and Writers Foundation has the honor to refer to the OHCHR Note Verbale Ref. NP/HV of March 3, 2020, regarding the third session of the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law, which will be held from 26 to 27 November 2020 in Geneva, Switzerland on the theme “Equal access to justice for all: a necessary element of democracy, rule of law and human rights protection.”

The Journalists and Writers Foundation has the further honor to submit hereunder the following proposals of topics to be discussed during the forum:

- The independence of the judiciary and equal access to justice
- Equal access to justice in the context of the states of emergencies
- Lessons learned: COVID-19 emergency and challenges to equal access to justice for all
- The role of civil society and human rights defenders in ensuring equal access to justice
- Judicial reform strategies to ensure equal access to justice

We would welcome, Madame, the opportunity to provide your offices with further information or clarifications in relation to the above proposed topics.

Sincerely,

Mehmet Kilic
President

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