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Murder of journalist Hrant Dink

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This written declaration commits only the members who have signed it

We are deeply saddened by the murder of Turkish writer and journalist, Mr Hrant Dink on 19 January 2007 in Istanbul. We condemn this cowardly act in the strongest terms.

Mr Dink devoted his life to raising the democratic and human rights standards of his country. He consistently advocated tolerance, reconciliation and mutual respect.

Mr Dink is the latest victim of several assaults on journalists around the world. These assaults should not be allowed to remain unpunished.

We commend the Turkish authorities for the quick apprehension of the suspect of this heinous crime and urge them bring him and any other perpetrator(s) to justice as soon as possible.

Signed (see overleaf)

Signed:¹

MERCAN, Murat, Turkey, PPE/DC
ABBASOV, Aydin, Azerbaijan, SOC
ABURTO, María, Rosario, Fátima, Spain, SOC
AÇIKGÖZ, Ruhi, Turkey, EDG
AKHMEDOV, Farkhad, Russian Federation
ALAY, FERRER, Vicenç, Andorra, SOC
ALEVRAS, Athanasios, Greece, SOC
ANGYALOVÁ, Edita, Slovakia, SOC
ATEŞ, Abdülkadir, Turkey, SOC
AUSTIN, John, United Kingdom, SOC
AZZOLINI, Claudio, Italy, EPP/CD
BARNETT, Doris, Germany, SOC
Baroness, HOOPER, Gloria, United Kingdom, EDG
BARTUMEU CASSANY, Jaume, Andorra, SOC
BECERRIL, Soledad, Spain, EPP/CD
BERÉNYI, József, Slovakia, EPP/CD
BIBERAJ, Aleksander, Albania, EPP/CD
BİLGEHAN, Gülsün, Turkey, SOC
BJØRNSTAD, Vidar, Norway, SOC
BOCCHINO, Italo, Italy, EDG
BOKERIA, Giorgi, Georgia, ALDE
BOSWELL, Tim, United Kingdom, EDG
BRAUN, Márton, Hungary, EPP/CD
BREEN, Patrick, Ireland, EPP/CD
ÇAVUŞOĞLU, Mevlüt, Turkey, EDG
CAZACU, Cornelia, Romania, EPP/CD
CEBECİ, Erol, Aslan, Turkey, EPP/CD
CHIARUZZI, Mauro, San Marino, SOC
CHRISTOFFERSEN, Lise, Norway, SOC
CILEVIČS, Boriss, Latvia, SOC
CIRCENE, Ingrīda, Latvia, EPP/CD
CLAPPISON, James, United Kingdom, EDG
CLIVETI, Miņodora, Romania, SOC
COŞKUNOĞLU, Osman, Turkey, SOC
CUBREACOV, Vlad, Moldova, EPP/CD
ÇULI, Diana, Albania, SOC
ČURDOVÁ, Anna, Czech Republic, SOC
DAMANAKI, Maria, Greece, SOC
De POURBAIX-LUNDIN, Marietta, Sweden, EPP/CD
de PUIG, Lluís Maria, Spain, SOC
DEBONO, GRECH, Joseph, Malta, SOC
DEITTERT, Hubert, Germany, EPP/CD
DEMIRCHYAN, Stepan, Armenia, ALDE
DEVÍNSKY, Ferdinand, Slovakia, EPP/CD
DURRIEU, Josette, France, SOC
DZEMBRITZKI, Detlef, Germany, SOC
EINARSSON, Mats, Sweden, UEL
ÉKES, József, Hungary, EPP/CD
EÖRSI, Mátyás, Hungary, ALDE
ETHERINGTON, Bill, United Kingdom, SOC
EVIN, Claude, France, SOC
FARKAS, Iván, Slovakia, EPP/CD

¹ SOC: Socialist Group
EPP/CD: Group of the European People's Party
ALDE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe
EDG: European Democratic Group
UEL: Group of the Unified European Left
NR: not registered in a group

FETLIŃSKA, Janina, Poland, EDG
FLYNN, Paul, United Kingdom, SOC
FOSS, Per-Kristian, Norway, EPP/CD
FRUNDA, György, Romania, EPP/CD
GADZINOWSKI, Piotr, Poland, SOC
GARDETTO, Jean-Charles, Monaco, EPP/CD
GEGHAMYAN, Artashes, Armenia, EPP/CD
GEORGIEV, Zahari, Bulgaria, SOC
GLESENER, Marcel, Luxembourg, EPP/CD
GREBENNIKOV, Valery, Russian Federation, EDG
GREENWAY, John, United Kingdom, EDG
GRUBER, Attila, Hungary, EPP/CD
GRZESIK, Andrzej, Poland, EPP/CD
GÜLÇIÇEK, Ali, Riza, Turkey, SOC
HÄGG, Carina, Sweden, SOC
HAIBACH, Holger, Germany, EPP/CD
HAJIYEV, Sabir, Azerbaijan, SOC
HALLENGREN, Lena, Sweden, SOC
HAUPERT, Norbert, Luxembourg, EPP/CD
HERKEL, Andres, Estonia, EPP/CD
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HURSKAINEN, Sinikka, Finland, SOC
ILICALI, Mustafa, Turkey, EPP/CD
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ISLAMI, Kastriot, Albania, SOC
JAŘAB, Josef, Czech Republic, ALDE
JÁUREGUI, Ramón, Spain, SOC
JIRSA, Tomáš, Czech Republic, EDG
JIVKOVA, Evguenia, Bulgaria, SOC
JOHANSSON, Morgan, Sweden, SOC
JURGENS, Erik, Netherlands, SOC
KARSKI, Karol, Poland, EDG
KATSELI, Eleonora, Greece, SOC
KAWA, Marek, Poland, NR
KELEMEN, András, Hungary, EPP/CD
KESKIN, Hakki, Germany, UEL
KOLESNIKOV, Victor, Russian Federation, EDG
KOZMA, József, Hungary, SOC
KUKAN, Eduard, Slovakia, EPP/CD
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LELIĆ, Ruža, Croatia, EPP/CD
LETICA, Slaven, Croatia, EPP/CD
LIBICKI, Jan, Filip, Poland, EDG
LILLIENHÖÖK, Anna, Sweden, EPP/CD
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LINDINGER, Ewald, Austria, SOC
LINTNER, Eduard, Germany, EPP/CD
LIVI, BACCI, Massimo, Italy, SOC
Lord BURLISON, United Kingdom, SOC
Lord TOMLINSON, John, United Kingdom, SOC
MacSHANE, Denis, United Kingdom, SOC
MALINS, Humfrey, United Kingdom, EDG
MANZELLA, Andrea, Italy, SOC
MARCENARO, Pietro, Italy, SOC
MARTY, Dick, Switzerland, ALDE
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MEALE, Alan, United Kingdom, SOC
MELČÁK, Miloš, Czech Republic, SOC

MENDES, BOTA, José, Portugal, EPP/CD
MIHKELSON, Marko, Estonia, EPP/CD
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NEGELE, Gebhard, Liechtenstein, EPP/CD
NÉMETH, Zsolt, Hungary, EPP/CD
NESSA, Pasquale, Italy, EPP/CD
O'HARA, Edward, United Kingdom, SOC
OHLSSON, Carina, Sweden, SOC
OLSSON, Kent, Sweden, EPP/CD
PANGALOS, Theodoros, Greece, SOC
PANTELEEV, Oleg, Russian Federation, EDG
PAPADIMITRIOU, Elsa, Greece, EPP/CD
PAPADOPOULOS, Antigoni, Cyprus, ALDE
PERNASKA, Lajla, Albana, EPP/CD
PINZGER, Manfred, Italy, EPP/CD
PIROZHNIKOVA, Liudmila, Russian Federation, EDG
POPOVA, Tatiana, Russian Federation, NR
POSTOICO, Maria, Moldova, UEL
POTRATA, Majda, Slovenia, SOC
POURGOURIDES, Christos, Cyprus, EPP/CD
PREDA, Cezar, Florin, Romania, EPP/CD
RAU, Zbigniew, Poland, EDG
RODRIGUES, Ricardo, Portugal, SOC
RUPPRECHT, Marlene, Germany, SOC
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SAMBEVSKI, Oliver, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", EPP/CD
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SCHREINER, Bernard, France, EPP/CD
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TOROSYAN, Tigran, Armenia, EDG
ȚULEA, Oleg, Moldova, SOC
VAKSDAL, Øyvind, Norway, EDG
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VERMOT-MANGOLD, Ruth-Gaby, Switzerland, SOC
VĚSAITĚ, Birutė, Lithuania, SOC
VIS, Rudi, United Kingdom, SOC
VON SYDOW, Björn, Sweden, SOC
WAALKENS, Harm, Evert, Netherlands, SOC
WALTER, Robert, United Kingdom, EDG
WITA, Tadeusz, Poland, EDG
WODARG, Wolfgang, Germany, SOC
WOLDSETH, Karin, S., Norway, EDG
YOTOVA, Iliana, Bulgaria, SOC
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