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Dear Chair,

I am Dr Ugur Tok representing Open Dialog Foundation

I am drawing your attentions to Human Rights violations in Turkey which triggered a new form of refugees and displaced persons in Europe and America.

In the morning session I mentioned that after the last year's coup attempt, a major breakdown took place on Turkish internal and external politics, there has been a sharp changes on the way of democracy, human rights, and rule of law principle.

These sharp political changes created a wave of victimisation of its own people of Turkey.

With the coup attempt last year, Mr Erdogan blamed the Gulen Movement members and without fair trial procedures tens of thousands of people lost their jobs, lost their private assets which were result of tens of years of hard work, lost their careers and belief to their own country and people.

One of the items on this seat is *combating trafficking in human beings*,

Tragicomic enough, I condemn human trafficking, but at the same time praying for my own friends to find a trustable human trafficker to run for their lives from hell to freedom. I could tell you all about what has been going on in Turkey but this not the subject of this sit.

Now there are many doctors, academics, pilots, teachers, business people, students, journalists who fled for their lives and their families and asylum seek in the western countries once became part of Gulen Movement.

These are not economic migrants, they don't want better standard of lives then they had but only coming to the west with the fear of their lives.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the delegates of countries who opened doors of their homes to Gulen movement people fleeing from Turkey starting from Greece, Germany, Sweden, Belgium Netherlands, Canada and the countries whichever opened their doors to Gulen people.