

Bağımsız Gazetecilik Platformu Platform for Independent Journalism **Platform24.org**

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Dear Erdem,

One of the most lamentable consequences of this dark period in Turkey's history are the constant attacks that are being made on freedom of expression.

The fact that today you are not out doing your job, that you are not at home with your family or among your colleagues is, as we well know, a part of this state of lawlessness and a result of your refusal to compromise your journalism despite the many pressures on the profession.

We will continue to do all we can, whether in Turkey or on international platforms, to bring an end to your incarceration as soon as possible. You may have been deprived of your liberty, but by refusing to be silenced and by remaining faithful to your journalistic principles you have taken a stand in the name of freedom that will go down in history.

Know that you are not alone; we stand in solidarity with you and with all your imprisoned colleagues, and send you our support, our love and our best wishes.

Hasan Cemal Yasemin Çongar Veysel Ok

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