

*Council of Europe*  
*The Secretary General*

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Dear President,

Congratulations on your re-election on 24 June as President of Turkey. I hope that your new term in office will be a peaceful and prosperous one for the Turkish people.

Turkey is one of the longest-standing members of the Council of Europe. Over the generations, the links between your country and our Organisation have become strong and deep. I therefore trust that in the coming years we will undertake further work together to uphold Europe's common standards on human rights, democracy and the rule of law for the benefit of all Turkish citizens.

In this particularly challenging period for Europe and our Organisation, it is our common duty to consolidate our common pan-European legal and human rights space, and I look forward to your co-operation in this regard.

Yours sincerely,



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