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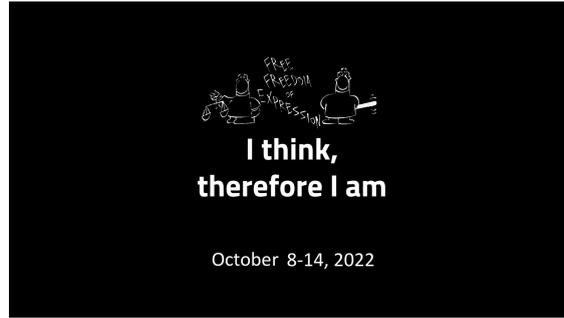
Freedom of Expression Weekly Newsletter (Issue 40/22 - October 14, 2022)

What happened last week?

- The 'censorship law' prepared by the government with the argument of 'fighting disinformation' passed the Parliament. The crime of "publicly disseminating misleading information to the public" has been added to the Turkish Criminal Code. In other words, news or social media posts that the government does not like can now be penalized with imprisonment by calling it "misleading information". [Please click here](#) for details.
- Erdoğan announced that the 'Alevi-Bektashi Culture and Cemevis Presidency' will be opened and that the management of all cemevis will be carried out from this presidency. There was a reaction from the Alevi-Bektashi organizations, who stated that the project was an attempt to seize the historical and cultural accumulation of Alevism and to destroy the Alevi identity. On the other hand, the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe stated that Ankara still has not fulfilled its responsibilities regarding the implementation of two decrees issued by the ECtHR regarding Alevis.
- President Erdoğan, who has been in power for 20 years, stated, "We can make a Turkey where there is no corruption, no bribery and no poverty. We are preparing for it."
- It turned out that the tender for the bus station in Gaziantep was held 21 days after the groundbreaking ceremony. A single firm entered the tender, which was made with the "negotiable method" and "delivery to the address".
- The Venice Commission, which monitors the compliance of the laws of the member states of the Council of Europe with the European Convention on Human Rights, reported that the censorship law, which was submitted to the Grand National Assembly of Turkey with the claim of combating disinformation, and which is still being negotiated, violates the freedom of expression guaranteed by the European Convention on Human Rights.
- The current account deficit exceeded 40 billion dollars, reaching the highest level in the last 4 years.
- Erdoğan repeated his message of interest reduction and said, "As long as this brother of yours is in this position, the interest rate will continue to decrease with each passing day, each passing week, each passing month."
- The fourth increase in natural gas prices was made in 2022. The total increase rate reached 165%. Erdoğan, on the other hand, pointed to the natural gas reserves in the Black Sea: "We are getting better every day, we will get better. Especially, I hope, as soon as we extract natural gas from the Black Sea, like at the end of this year and the beginning of next year, we will get very comfortable."
- According to the data of the 2022 commitments to reduce inequality (EAT index) prepared by Oxfam and Development Finance International (DFI); Turkey, where the

richest 1% owns 41% of the total wealth, is one of the 3 countries with the most unequal distribution of wealth.

- According to the Turkish Statistical Institute (TURKSTAT), unemployment has reached its lowest level since March 2014. According to TURKSTAT, the number of unemployed people was recorded as 3 million 312 thousand people in August. The Confederation of Progressive Trade Unions pointed out that while the number of unemployed decreased by 560,000 in the last year according to TURKSTAT, it increased by 148,000 according to İŞKUR; stating that the broadly defined number of unemployment is over 7.3 million.
 - During the march held in Yüksekova district of Hakkari, Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) MP Habip Eksik was beaten brutally by the police. The governorate defended torture, while the parliamentary presidency was silent about the MP, whose leg was broken.
 - Interior Minister Süleyman Soylu, who had given similar statements and ordered torture before as well, said, "I say it again, I am giving orders to our security forces again. When you find a drug dealer, break his feet."
 - Mehmet Ali Çelebi, who was elected as a deputy from the Republican People's Party (CHP), joined the Justice and Development Party (AKP), which he had previously criticized heavily. The number of seats of the ruling party in the parliament reached 287 with the participation of Çelebi, who was previously accused by the party of "dishonor". Thus, the distribution of members in the Radio and Television Supreme Council (RTÜK) has also changed. Following the resignation of Taha Yücel, a member of RTÜK from the AKP quota, the seat had been kept vacant for 3 months, due to the fact that, according to parliamentary arithmetic, it would be replaced by a name from the IYI Party. Now it was transferred to the AKP again.
 - Nationalist Movement Party (MHP) MP Arzu Erdem stormed the stage, accompanied by the police, on the grounds that she was "not allowed to give a speech" at the "Sister Cultures Festival" organized by the Esenyurt Municipality. Erdem, who took the stage with Esenyurt District Governor Vural Karagül, made threats with the megaphone and said, "Less is less, more is more... We talk. We will give the necessary answer. We represent our state here at the moment."
 - The 5th hearing of the trial of Onur Gencer, who murdered Deniz Poyraz at the Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) İzmir Provincial Building, was held at İzmir Bayraklı Courthouse 6th Assize Court. In the hearing, the gendarmerie slapped Deniz Poyraz's brother, Kamuran Poyraz, and the police used pepper spray in the courtroom; so the case was moved to the hall in the Aliğa Şakran Prison campus on the grounds of "security". At the hearing, the court did not allow lawyers and journalists inside the courtroom. The gendarmerie attacked the lawyers, journalists, and Poyraz's family who were not included in the hearing, with tear gas and pressurized water.
 - The Council of Europe established a contact group for Turkey to comply with the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) decree to "release Osman Kavala immediately."
 - The appeal court ruled that Mehmet Baransu, one of the longest prison-serving journalists in Turkey, overturned his 13-year prison sentence in the case he was tried at the Istanbul 13th Assize Court for publishing the "Sovereign Operation Plan" belonging to the Chief of General Staff. However, Baransu could not get out of prison because he was under arrest within another case.
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Lawsuit against news on bribery allegations

In 2018, a lawsuit was filed against Gerger Fırat Daily's News and Intelligence Director Özgür Boğatekin and writer Hacı Boğatekin, who reported on bribery allegations against Judge Batuhan Maraşlı in Adıyaman Gerger Courthouse. The first hearing of journalists accused of publishing documents related to bribery allegations will be held at the Gerger Criminal Court of First Instance on December

27.



Women on trial after detainment during Feminist Night Parade

The trial of 40 women, who were detained by the police in front of the ferry port in Kadıköy while they wanted to go to the 20th Istanbul Feminist Night Parade, which was held last March, started at the Istanbul Anatolian 13th Criminal Court of First Instance on charges of "violating the Law on Meetings and Demonstrations NO. 2911". The journalists,

who came to follow the hearing and the women who came to support the defendants, were not allowed into the courtroom by the judge, citing Covid-19 as the reason. It was noteworthy that the police officers were included in the courtroom even though the courtroom was small. At the same time, the courtroom was taken under blockade by riot police and plainclothes police. The request for the defendants' acquittal was denied immediately, and the second hearing of the case will be held on April 3.



Police attack against “Train Station massacre” commemoration

Before the commemoration held in front of Ankara Train Station on the anniversary of the October 10 Ankara Massacre, in which 104 people lost their lives, the police took the area under blockade and not allowed anyone to enter the area, except for family members. Journalists were also prevented from entering the area. The

police kept many people, including journalists, away from the area by using violence; 20 people were detained.



Lawsuit against Demokratik Modernite Magazine

The trial of Demokratik Modernite Magazine’s Editor-in-Chief Ramazan Yurttapan and editor Haydar Ergül started at the Istanbul 2nd Criminal Court of First Instance on the charge of "insulting the President" due to the article, titled, "Neo-Ottomanism is the Most Corrupted

State of the Turkish Government" published in the 37th issue of the magazine. Deciding to file a criminal complaint against Selçuk Uçar at the Istanbul Chief Public Prosecutor's Office on the grounds that he was the author of the article in question, the court accepted the request of Erdoğan's lawyer to participate in the case and adjourned the hearing to February 21.



Çağlayan Bozacı detained over losing father at Ankara Massacre

Çağlayan Bozacı, the son of Osman Turan Bozacı, who lost his life in the October 10 Ankara Massacre, was detained because of the speech he made at the commemoration of his father's grave in Rize. A travel ban was imposed on Bozacı, who was accused of "insulting the President" and was sent to the

court.



Lawsuit against 6 Justice Watch participants

A lawsuit was filed against 6 people, who were detained during the protest held in front of the Çağlayan Courthouse on June 23 within the scope of the "Justice Watch" held every week in Istanbul to draw attention to the situation of ill prisoners, on the charge of "violating the Law on Meetings and Demonstrations No.

2911". The first hearing of the case will be held on March 2 at the Istanbul 10th Criminal Court of First Instance.



Penalty against social media post with alcohol

A citizen, who was dismissed from his job because he shared a photo of a dinner table with alcoholic drinks with the words, "The Night of Power is special, may God accept it" on his social media account and was tried on the charge of "openly insulting the values adopted by a part of society," was convicted. In

the hearing held according to the simple trial procedure at the Istanbul Anatolian 57th Criminal Court of First Instance, the court decided to defer the announcement of the verdict of imprisonment for 3 months and 22 days. According to the court, the social media post in question was "insulting the values considered sacred by the religion of Islam, suitable for harming the sense of coexistence of society and disrupting social peace"!



Police attack against march for PKK leader Öcalan

Protests were held in many cities on the 24th anniversary of the extradition of PKK Leader Abdullah Öcalan to Turkey. The police attacked protesters in Diyarbakır, Van, Hakkari, Istanbul, Urfa and Izmir. At least 164 people, including Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) executives and journalists, were detained.

During the "Freedom March" held in Yüksekova district of Hakkari, the police battered Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) MPs and journalists. 20 people, including journalists Mazlum Engindeniz and Rabia Önver, were detained and the Hakkari Governorate, who defended the police violence with a statement, claimed that Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) Iğdır MP Habip Eksik, whose leg was broken, and Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) Hakkari MP Sait Dede, who were hospitalized, "threw themselves on the ground to create false perception". At least 42 people, including journalists Esra Solin Dal and Ömer İbrahimoglu, were detained during the marches in Istanbul's Beyoğlu, Kadıköy and Esenyurt districts. 55 people in Van, 59 people in Diyarbakır, 4 people in Urfa and 3 people in İzmir were detained due to the protests.



Access block against news on Gendarmerie Commander's statement

The news about Afyonkarahisar Provincial Gendarmerie Commander Colonel Yılmaz Kırgele's statement, using provocative expressions against Amedspor before the Amedspor-Afyonspor match, was blocked by the Afyonkarahisar 2nd Criminal Judicature of Peace on the grounds that Kırgele violated his

personal rights. Kirgel had said, "Our hearts are with you. Your job is to play soccer. You do it really well too. Leave the rest to us. Afyon really needs you to win. Especially after that terrorist act we experienced in Mersin, I say what is in my heart: If you beat and crush them with a score of 5-0, we will send them away from here."



Prison sentence against journalists Faruk Eren and Furkan Karabay

Gerçek Gündem news portal's Managing Editor Faruk Eren and editor Furkan Karabay were sentenced to 2 years and 3 months in prison in the lawsuit filed against them at the Istanbul 30th Criminal Court of First Instance on the charge of "insulting a public official". The journalists were charged due to the news article with the title, "Istanbul' detail in the

'Antalya' operation in judiciary: What do the appointment of prosecutors indicate?" regarding the appointments to the Antalya Courthouse as well as things being spoken in circles of the judiciary.



2-year 6-month prison sentence against Selahattin Demirtaş

Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP)'s former Co-Chair Selahattin Demirtaş was sentenced to 2 years and 6 months in prison for "targeting public officials involved in the fight against terrorism" due to "targeting" then-Ankara Chief Public Prosecutor Yüksel Kocaman in his

defense in court within the scope of a lawsuit filed against him. Ankara 25th Assize Court acquitted him of the charge of "threat". Demirtaş was previously sentenced on the same charge within the scope of the aforementioned case, but the appeal court had found the sentence to be insufficient and ruled for retrial.



Lawsuit against journalist Onur Öncü

Journalist Onur Öncü, who was charged with "insulting" Interior Minister Süleyman Soylu and was acquitted in the lawsuit held at the Küçükçekmece 22nd Criminal Court of First Instance, will stand trial in December after Soylu's lawyer appealed against the verdict. The journalist is charged with "insulting a public official because of his duty" due to a

video uploaded on the YouTube channel of Özgürüz News Portal on May 3, 2021 and will stand trial on December 19.



Conscientious objector imprisoned

Conscientious objector Reha Eskidir, who was sentenced to 5 months and 18 days in prison by the Karadeniz Ereğli 3rd Criminal Court of First Instance in 2021 on the grounds that he was a "fugitive", was imprisoned. Eskidir's trial continues in two lawsuits filed against him after he was released on probation following

the completion of the proceedings on the same day, with the same accusation.



Prison sentence against student over participation in Boğaziçi protests

İzmir Dokuz Eylül University student Mert Karadağ, who was on trial for participating in the protest against the appointment of a trustee rector at Boğaziçi University, was sentenced to 5 months in prison by the Istanbul 55th Criminal Court of First Instance on the charge of "violating the Law on Meetings and Demonstrations No. 2911".



Uğur Dündar acquitted in first hearing

Journalist Uğur Dündar was acquitted at the first hearing of the lawsuit filed against him at the Beykoz 2nd Criminal Court of First Instance. Dündar was charged with "praising the crime and the criminal" following a complaint by Interior Minister Süleyman Soylu, for a tweet he posted as well as an

evaluation he made on a television program about criminal organization leader Sedat Peker, who came to the fore with his disclosures about drug dealing, bribery and corruption.



Journalist Barış Barıştıran acquitted once again in retrial

The retrial of previously shut-down Özgür Gün TV journalist Barış Barıştıran at the Diyarbakır 8th Assize Court following the appeal court decree, which overturned his acquittal on the charge of "making propaganda or a terrorist organisation" through a live broadcast from the

Democratic Society Congress General Assembly in 2016, was concluded with acquittal once again.



Access block against news on Garrison Commander

The news about Sakarya Garrison Commander Staff Colonel Fahri Can Çağlar, who was allegedly arrested on charges of sexual abuse against soldiers, was blocked from access with a decree issued by the Sakarya 1st Criminal Judicature of Peace. In addition, a media blackout was imposed upon the application of

the Prosecutor's office, regarding the incident.



Protest ban in Van

The Van Governorate announced that all protests and activities such as rallies, open-air meetings, demonstration marches, press statements, sit-in protests and surveys, tents and booths, signing campaigns, distribution of leaflets, leaflets, were banned for 8 days.



6 arrested in Tekirdağ due to social media posts

Six people, who were detained in Tekirdağ due to their social media posts, were arrested by the Criminal Judicatures of Peace they were taken to, on the charge of “making propaganda for a terrorist organization.”



Access block against ETHA's website

The website of Etkin News Agency (ETHA) has been blocked from access with a decree issued by the Hatay 1st Criminal Judicature of Peace.



Erkan Oğur and İsmail Hakkı Demircioğlu's concerts cancelled

Şırnak University rectorate denied the hall application for the concert of Erkan Oğur and İsmail Hakkı Demircioğlu. The concert was cancelled.



Lawsuit against press statement

A lawsuit was filed against 10 of the 34 detainees on the charge of "making propaganda for a terrorist organization" in the press statement held within the scope of the festival held on September 4, on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Istanbul 1 Mayıs Neighborhood.



Another detainment in "Justice Watch" protest

Three of the relatives of ill prisoners, who came together in Avcılar for the "Justice Watch" protest held every week in Istanbul to draw attention to the situation of the ill prisoners, were detained.



Governorate protects Hanifi Zengin once again, not giving permission for investigation

There was no permission of investigation for Security Branch Manager Muhammed Hanifi Zengin, who battered and harassed women and LGBTQI+s during the Pride Parade, threatened Artı TV cameraman Bilal Meyveci during the

protest held in Istanbul on July 7 for doctor Ekrem Karakaya, who was killed on duty. The Istanbul Governorate claimed that the march that the health workers wanted to do was an "unauthorized demonstration march", and that "no threat was seen" for the moment when Meyveci was prevented from taking pictures.



TRIALS OF FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

<p align="center"><u>Case Against Father After Son's Death</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Menderes Gündüz on the charge of "insulting a public official" for reacting to the penalty issued against the murderer of his son, who died as a result of being hit by an alcoholic driver in Ankara...</p> <p>Court: Ankara 65th Criminal Court of First Instance</p> <p>Verdict: The next hearing will be held on December 8.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Case Against Protest for Survival</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 10 people, including journalist Hıdır Yıldız, on charges of "violating the Law No. 2911" and "resisting to prevent duty" for participating in the #WeCanNotSurvive protest...</p> <p>Court: Tunceli 1st Criminal Court of First Instance</p> <p>Verdict: The court adjourned the hearing to October 18 for the defense statements to be completed.</p>
<p align="center"><u>İsmail Arı Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist İsmail Arı on the charge of "unlawfully seizing and disseminating personal data" due to the news published in the BirGün Daily with the headline, "BirGün reached the documents of the fines imposed on the President and General Manager of the Red Crescent"...</p> <p>Court: Istanbul 58th Criminal Court of First Instance</p> <p>Verdict: The prosecutor presented an opinion on the merits and requested an imprisonment sentence against the journalist for up to 4 years. The hearing was adjourned to October 27.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Feleknas Uca Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Peoples' Democratic Party (HDP) MP Feleknas Uca on the charge of "terrorist organization membership" due to the meetings and statements she attended between 2015-2016...</p> <p>Court: Diyarbakır 5th Assize Court</p> <p>Verdict: Uca's lawyers drew attention to the violation decrees issued by the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) and the Constitutional Court regarding the trial of the MPs and requested the dismissal of the case, but the court board denied the request of Uca's lawyers and adjourned the hearing to February 7.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Ankara Gezi Park Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 26 people in 2016 regarding the Gezi Park protests in Ankara...</p> <p>Court: Ankara 14th Assize Court</p> <p>Verdict: After 8 years, 3 witness statements, 2 of which were secret, were added to the case file. The next hearing will be held on December 1.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Rüstem Batum Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist Rüstem Batum on the charge of "insulting the President" through 5 social media posts in 2018...</p> <p>Court: İstanbul 12th Criminal Court of First Instance</p> <p>Verdict: The next hearing will be held on April 6.</p>
<p align="center"><u>Case Against 3 Journalists</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalists Görkem Kınacı, Uğur Şahin and Uğur Koç by the complaint of Constitutional Court member İrfan Fidan on charges of "insult" and "slander" for covering the allegations brought up by the Workers' Party of Turkey (TIP) MP Ahmet Şık...</p> <p>Court: Istanbul Beykoz 6th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>	<p align="center"><u>Case Against Massacre Commemoration</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 15 people, including union and political party leaders, who were detained during the police intervention against the commemoration that was intended to be held in Van by the Confederation of Public Workers' Unions in 2018 to commemorate the October 10 Ankara Massacre...</p> <p>Court: Van 7th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>

<p>Verdict: Presenting an opinion on the merits, the prosecutor requested that the journalists be acquitted. The hearing was adjourned to October 19.</p>	<p>Verdict: The next hearing will be held on January 27.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Beritan Canözer Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against JinNews reporter Beritan Canözer on the charge of "making propaganda for a terrorist organization" on the grounds of her social media posts, including those made from an account that did not belong to her...</p> <p>Court: Diyarbakır 4th Assize Court Verdict: The prosecutor's office, which gave an opinion on the merits, requested that the journalist be penalised for "successively making propaganda for a terrorist organization". The hearing was adjourned to November 17.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Adil Demirci Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 22 people, including Etkin News Agency (ETHA) reporter Adil Demirci and the Socialist Youth Associations Federation members, on charges of "making propaganda for a terrorist organisation" and "terrorist organisation propaganda"...</p> <p>Court: İstanbul 25th Assize Court Verdict: The court decided to separate the file of other defendants besides Demirci and adjourned the hearing to March 14.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Engin Eren Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist Engin Eren, who followed the "human shield protest" held in Batman's Sason district rural in 2015 to end the conflicts, together with 75 people, on charges of "terrorist organization membership", "aiding a terrorist organization", "participating in illegal meetings or demonstrations", "violating the Law on Military Forbidden Zones and Security Zones", "using force or threat against a public official to prevent him from doing his duty"...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Court: Batman 2nd Assize Court Verdict: The next hearing will be held on November 4.</p>	

HEARINGS NEXT WEEK

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Case Against Diyarbakır Bar Association</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Cihan Aydın, the former President of the Diyarbakır Bar Association, and 10 members of the Board of Directors, on the charge of "insulting the Turkish Nation, the State of the Republic of Turkey, the institutions and organs of the State", on the grounds of two April 24 statements in 2019...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">October 17, Monday at Diyarbakır 11th Assize Court</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Case Against Boğaziçi Protest</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 14 students and 3 rights defenders from Kocaeli Student Solidarity, who wanted to make a statement of support for the Bosphorus protests, on charges of "violating the Law No. 2911" and "resisting to prevent duty"...</p> <p style="text-align: center;">October 17, Monday at Kocaeli 5th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Case Against Yüksekova News Portal</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Yüksekova News Portal Owner Erkan Çapraz and Broadcasting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Case Against Press Statement</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Van-Hakkari Medical Chamber ex-President Hüseyin Yaviç and</p>

<p>Coordinator Ömer Oğuz at the Hakkari 1st Assize Court on the charge of "making propaganda for a terrorist organization" for broadcasting the speech of Democratic Society Congress (DTK) Co-Chair Leyla Güven at a panel on February 13, 2020, which was combined with the case file against Güven in Diyarbakır...</p> <p>October 17, Monday at Diyarbakır 9th Assize Court</p>	<p>Human Rights Foundation of Turkey (TIHV) Van Representative Sevim Çiçek, who were detained in the press statement they made about the doctor who lost his life in a traffic accident on his way home after a 36-hour vigil, on the charge of "violating the Law on Meetings and Demonstrations No. 2911"...</p> <p>October 18, Tuesday at Van 4th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>
<p><u>Case Against Protests for Survival</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against 10 people, including political party, union and association executives, on charges of "violating the Law on Meetings and Demonstrations" and "resisting to prevent duty" for participating in the #WeCantSurvive demonstration held in December...</p> <p>October 18, Tuesday at Tunceli 1st Criminal Court of First Instance</p>	<p><u>Metin Cihan Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist Metin Cihan on the charge of "insulting" President Erdogan's son-in-law Berat Albayrak through a social media post on April 30, 2020...</p> <p>October 18, Tuesday at Istanbul 36th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>
<p><u>Ender İmrek Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Ender İmrek, a columnist for Evrensel Daily, on the charge of "insulting the President" because of his column titled "Turkey is burning, the palace is watching" published on July 31...</p> <p>October 18, Tuesday at Istanbul Bakırköy 44th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>	<p><u>Case Against İHD Branch Co-Chair</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Fatin Kanat, Co-Chair of the Ankara Branch of the Human Rights Association (İHD), on the charge of "making propaganda for a terrorist organization", based on the press statements made by the association...</p> <p>October 19, Wednesday at Ankara 25th Assize Court</p>
<p><u>Case Against Three Journalists</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalists Görkem Kınacı, Uğur Şahin and Uğur Koç by the complaint of Constitutional Court member İrfan Fidan on charges of "insult" and "slander" for covering the allegations brought up by the Workers' Party of Turkey (TIP) MP Ahmet Şık...</p> <p>October 19, Wednesday at Istanbul Beykoz 6th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>	<p><u>Metin Cihan Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist Metin Cihan and his news source, accused of "unlawfully obtaining and disseminating personal data" due to the social media posts in which he disclosed the leaked documents related to TÜGVA and revealing various corruptions involving the foundation...</p> <p>October 19, Wednesday at Istanbul 22nd Criminal Court of First Instance</p>
<p><u>Özgür Gündem Substitute Editors-In-Chief Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against Özgür Gündem Substitute Editors-In-Chief Şebnem Korur</p>	<p><u>Mehmet Emin Kurnaz Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against BirGün Daily's Policy Editor Mehmet Emin Kurnaz on charges of "insulting the President" and "insulting a public</p>

<p>Fincancı, Erol Önderoğlu and Ahmet Nesin, whose acquittal verdicts returned from appeal...</p> <p>October 19, Wednesday at Istanbul 13th Assize Court</p>	<p>official" due to the newspaper's Sunday supplement published on May 25, 2021 with the title "The Power of Gangs"...</p> <p>October 20, Thursday at Istanbul 2nd Assize Court</p>
<p><u>Can Ataklı Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against journalist Can Ataklı, who was accused of "publicly humiliating a part of society" due to his comment on the events that took place during the visits of IYI Party leader Meral Akşener in the program "The Day Begins" broadcast on TELE1 channel on May 21, 2021...</p> <p>October 20, Thursday at Istanbul 16th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>	<p><u>Gülşen Case</u></p> <p>The lawsuit filed against singer Gülşen, who was arrested on charges of "inciting the public to hatred and enmity and humiliation" by being targeted because of her expressions against the religious vocational high school students while joking with her friend on stage during her concert, and was released with "house arrest"...</p> <p>October 21, Friday at Istanbul 11th Criminal Court of First Instance</p>