

Support to Turkish doctors from UEMO (European Union of General Practitioners/Family Physicians)

The European Union of General Practitioners/Family Physicians (UEMO) joins the WMA and the Standing Committee of European Doctors in condemning the recent Bill approved by the Turkish authorities that restrict the freedom of thousands of Turkish physicians to practice medicine.

The Bill recently approved by the Turkey's Health Commission will have an effect on thousands of physicians working in public and private hospitals which operate through the Social Security Agency.

The UEMO expresses its concerns both for the Turkish doctors and the for the impact that the Bill – that still need the final approval from the Parliament's Grand Assembly - will have on patients who will be deprived of the their fundamental right to healthcare.

Together with WMA and CPME, the UEMO urges the Turkish authorities to revise their position and withdraw the Bill.

Best Regards,

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