<u>Press Releases: On U.S. Citizen Dr.</u> <u>Serkan Golge</u>

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We welcome the Turkish Court of Appeals' decision to reduce the sentence against Dr. Golge. That said, we continue to believe that the case against Dr. Golge lacks credible evidence and that he should be freed immediately to be reunited with his family. We will continue to follow Dr. Golge's case closely, along with other unjust prosecutions against U.S. citizens and our own locally employed staff at Mission Turkey.

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