

STATE OF EMERGENCY IN TURKEY: WHAT IMPLICATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION FROM TORTURE?

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On January 18 Turkey extended the state of emergency for the sixth time since it was initially imposed following a failed coup attempt in July 2016. Current emergency measures grant highly discretionary powers to the executive and its administrative authorities in many areas, in derogation from human rights safeguards and rule of law principles, posing great challenges for the protection from torture.

On the occasion of the release of the Special Rapporteur on Torture's country visit report on Turkey, this side-event, organized by the World Organisation Against Torture (OMCT) in partnership with Human Rights Watch (HRW) and the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), aims to discuss the implications of the state of emergency on the fight against torture in Turkey and to provide recommendations to ensure that the emergency measures do not become permanent.

The panel discussion will be followed by a Q&A session with the public.

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