INFORMATION NOTE REGARDING THE DECREE LAW NO. 695 OF 24 DECEMBER 2017 ON CERTAIN MEASURES TO BE TAKEN UNDER THE STATE OF EMERGENCY

Measures taken in respect of public officials:

A number of public officials who have membership, affiliation or connection to terrorist organisations were dismissed from their duties, a number of retired military staff were deprived of their ranks and a number of students studying abroad were discharged from studentship.

Public officials who were reinstated to their profession:

A total of 115 public officials who had been dismissed from profession under previous decree-laws, have been reinstated as they were deemed to have no affiliation or connection to terrorist organisations according to the re-examinations made. The measures taken with respect to these persons shall be deemed to have ceased along with all provisions and consequences thereof, applicable from the date of publication of the relevant decree-law. In order to prevent any unjust treatment, review requests are being investigated in detail and those whose objections are accepted are reinstated to their profession.

Measures in respect of institutions and organizations

A number of newspapers, associations, foundations and health institutions which had belonging to, affiliation or connection to terrorist organisations and had a special importance in funding them have been closed down.

Institutions and organisations which resumed their activities:

Among those closed down as per previous decree-laws, one foundation was decided to resume its activities.

Assessment and conclusion:

As understood from the measures briefly explained above, measures taken with the decreelaws are intended for the continuity of the State and the restoration of the public order. Furthermore, to avoid grievances, arrangements such as the reinstatement of a number of public officials and the reopening of a foundation have also been made following a reexamination in respect of them, with all their rights restored. The Government continues to take measures to the extent required by the state of emergency for ensuring the establishment of public order on the basis of human rights.