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AfSV Statement on the Second Anniversary of July 15 Failed Coup Attempt

July 15, 2016, and the aftermath of that day remains a dark period in Turkish history. On this second anniversary of that deplorable coup attempt, Turkey's future looks even darker. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has solidified his autocratic grip on power, we are no closer to justice for the true planners and perpetrators of the coup, and hundreds of thousands of innocent people have had their lives turned upside down through firing, social isolation, jailing, and torture.

We call on the international community to continue to pressure the Erdogan regime to end its state of emergency which is the basis for appalling human rights violations, release hundreds of journalists in prisons, restore the rights of those who have been purged or jailed, and make amends with the innocent people and families who have suffered for no reason.

About Alliance for Shared Values

The Alliance for Shared Values (AFSV) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that serves as a voice for cultural organizations affiliated with Hizmet, a civil society movement inspired by prominent preacher and peace advocate Fethullah Gülen. The Alliance strives to promote peace and social harmony by helping reduce misinformation and false stereotypes about any or all ethnic, cultural and religious communities. To learn more about the Alliance, please visit www.afsv.org.

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