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Minister of Interior  
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TÜRKİE

## **The Saturday Mothers**

Dear Minister,

The Saturday Mothers are a peaceful organisation, whose aim is to raise awareness of their disappeared relatives and demand justice for their loved ones, by gathering on Galatasaray Square on Saturdays.

They are however frequently harassed and prevented from holding their vigils.

I would like to urge you to allow the vigils to go ahead without any unlawful restrictions and to make sure that those participating in them are able to exercise their rights to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly, guaranteed under both domestic and international human rights law.

Yours sincerely,