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Dr. Mehmet Ali Dikerdem
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Dear Mehmet:

It was a pleasure to meet you when you were in the States. I hope your travels outside of Washington were productive.

I wanted to tell you what my office has been up to with respect to efforts on behalf of your father and the other prisoners.

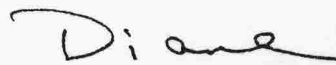
On March 19 we sent out the enclosed "Dear Colleague" letter asking for co-signers on a letter to Turkish authorities. As of today we have 28 supporters. The letter will probably be sent out by the middle of the week of April 2.

I wrote to Colman McCarthy to thank him for writing his column - it's on the back of our Dear Colleague; in case you didn't know he did write one after all - and to tell him that this office was trying to do what it could to bring about the release of the 23 TPA members. A copy of my letter is enclosed. Much to my surprise Colman called me to thank me for the efforts we're making! I was very touched. He asked me to keep him posted as things progress, and I assured him I would.

So that's it from here. The next time you hear from me will be when I send a copy of the fully signed letters to the Turkish authorities. Letters will go to Ozal and Evren, with copies to Elekdag and Strausz-Hupe.

Warm wishes to you and to your wife, Caroline. If there's anything you have to report, I hope you will do so. We'll continue to do what we can from here.

Sincerely,



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