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Mr. Ahmet Kaçmaz, former chairman of the Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey (TSİP) is returning to his country on 17th of September 1990, after ten years of exile. He will be arriving İstanbul on an SAS flight from Stockholm via Copenhagen at 16:00 o'clock.

Mr. Kaçmaz, 52, a civil engineer by profession, has been a founding member (1974) and the chairman of the Party since the foundation.

Following the coup d'etat of 12 September 1980, TSİP was forbidden to function, later declared to be closed (16 October 1981) by the military junta. Mr. Kaçmaz together with other Party executives was subjected to prosecution. Refusing to surrender, he left the country. In 1982 an arrest warrant was issued against him together with other Party executives by the military court. (Party executives were General Administrative Board members - Genel Yönetim Kurulu Üyeleri).

In September 1989 three executives of the Party -Mr.Ağadölu, Mr.Ha-sançebi, Mr.Çakıroölu- returned to the country, they were released on the first session of their trial and in May 1990 all were acquitted. Mr. Kaçmaz is subjected to ^{the} same accusations, and under these conditions he should not face incriminating charges and treatment. Even if he were to face any such charges they would anyhow be of purely political nature under the notorious articles 141-142 of the Turkish Penal Code.

We appeal to your attention for the necessary support through your appeal to the Prime Minister (Başbakanlık) and Ministry of Interior (İçişleri Bakanlığı) following his arrival.

All necessary information can be received on Monday evening from Mr. Çağatay Anadol, home telephone: İstanbul- 339 94 77.