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Dear Minister,

It has come to my attention that Turkish nationals Turgay Karaman, İhsan Aslan and İsmet Özçelik**,** who had been arbitrarily arrested and detained in Malaysia between 2 and 4 May 2017 under Malaysia’s anti-terrorism legislation, were extradited to Turkey on 11 Maywithout due procedure. The Inspector General of Police of Malaysia confirmed that they were wanted by the Turkish government for suspected involvement with the Gülen movement. The three men arebelieved to be in detention in Ankara.

I urge you to ensure that the three men are protected from torture and other ill-treatment. And further, to release them, unless there is evidence of internationally recognisable criminal acts, and that any proceedings brought against them comply with international fair trial standards.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,