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Hizb ut Tahrir / Wilayah Turkey Announces the Death of One of its Shabab Cengiz Karakuş

﴿إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ ﴾

"To Allah We belong, and to Him is our return" [al-Baqarah: 156]

Cengiz Karakuş was one of Hizb ut Tahrir's honorable Shabab who worked earnestly and courageously in order to revive Islamic society and in order to re-establish the rule of Allah's Deen on earth. Our brother Cengiz who met with Hizb ut Tahrir 25 years ago, never stopped being loyal to Hizb ut Tahrir ever since. Our brother Cengiz possessed a courage that could fearlessly declare the truth before a tyrant. He kept his promise to his Lord and demonstrated his loyalty to Islam until his last breath. He was arrested 7 times and was jailed for years because he upheld the Dawah of Islam. He never bowed before the courts when he was tried for his membership to Hizb ut Tahrir and always said the Haq (truth).

Our brother Cengiz would talk with everyone in the Erzurum province where he lived, in order to liberate them of the capitalist system's filth and would call upon his neighbours, relatives and all Muslims to righteousness and the Haq. He was known as a member of Hizb ut Tahrir to all. Our brother Cengiz, father of 6, was <u>murdered</u> by vile capitalist people who could not stand his righteousness.

We as **Hizb ut Tahrir** / **Wilayah Turkey**, ask Allah for Rahmah (mercy) to the deceased; Sabr-i Cemeel (good patience) and condolences for the family.

O Brother! May our Merciful Lord show you mercy! May He place you in His Heaven, rivers flowing underneath. According to the hadith مَنْ خَلَعَ يَدًا مِنْ طَاعَةٍ لَقِيَ اللَّهَ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَلاَ حُجَّةً لَهُ وَمَنْ مَات "Whoever dies without giving allegiance (bay'ah) and removing himself from obedience to the Imam will die the death of jahiliyya." Even though you could not give bay'ah to a Khalif, may Allah accept your good work for the establishment of a Khalif in order to give your bay'ah. We have witnessed what sacrifices you made for the Dawah of Islam and the courageous activities for the re-establishment of the Khilafah (Caliphate) upon the method of the Prophethood. InshaAllah you will be one the winners and heralded through your activities.

"Among the believers are men true to what they promised Allah. Among them is he who has fulfilled his vow [to the death], and among them is he who awaits [his chance]. And they did not alter [the terms of their commitment] by any alteration." [al-Ahzab 23]

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