

Appeal to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Paolo Gentiloni

Pietro Nenni, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, at the suggestion of his political advisor Altiero Spinelli, sought and obtained, from the Committee of Ministers, the suspension of the Colonels' Greece from the Council of Europe. Relying on this decision, Altiero Spinelli, who became European Commissioner, obtained from the Council of Ministers the suspension of the Association Agreement between the European Communities and Greece, blocking this way the defense of the colonels' regime carried out by the German Commissioner Dahrendorf according to the principle "pacta sunt servanda", obtusely ignoring the other principle "rebus sic stantibus".

We ask the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Paolo Gentiloni to:

- request to the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe the suspension of Turkey from that organization,
- activate article 33 of ECHR, permitting an interstate recourse to the European Court of Human Rights by a Member State of the Council of Europe against another Member State for violating the ECHR,
- ask the European Commission and the High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy to urgently launch a procedure for obtaining the EU Council and the EP to suspend the Association Agreement with Turkey.

Considering the announce made by Recep Tayyip Erdogan to reactivate death penalty, involved States should stop any request for extradition to Turkey.

The European Movement express its full solidarity with judges, lawyers, journalists and civil society organisations in Turkey and it's ready to use all means of social media to support their struggle for human dignity, the respect of the rule of law, freedoms, equality and collective minority rights, cornerstones of a true democracy.

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