



# **TURKEY AND COUNTER TERRORISM**



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## Terrorist Activities in Turkey



**Turkey is one of the countries hardest affected by terrorism during the past three decades, and has been struggling against different forms of terrorism without sufficient attention from the international community.**



## Terrorist Activities in Turkey

➤ **Marksist-Leninist  
Terrorist Organizations**



➤ **Separatist  
Terrorist Organizations**



➤ **The Terrorist Organizations  
abusing religion**



## Marksist-Leninist Terrorist Organizations



DHKP-C

Revolutionary People's Liberation Party - Front

MLKP

The Marxists Leninist Communist Party



TKP/ML-Conference

The Turkish Communist Party/Marxists Leninist-Conference

# DHKP/C

## (Revolutionary People's Liberation Party – Front)



The largest Marxist-Leninist terrorist group



Dursun Karatas, a fugitive, died in the Netherlands



## *Revolutionary Headquarter*

- New Terrorist group,
- Has Marksist-Leninist ideology,
- Use violence as a tactics,

### Previous Attacks

- A mortar Attack to the Military Barracks in Istanbul,
- Placed explosives to Karacaahmet graveyard

# Seperatist Terrorist Organizations



**PKK/KONGRA-GEL**





## PKK/KONGRA-GEL



**PKK=TAK=TTK**

**After the September 11 attacks, the PKK terrorist organization changed its name firstly; as**

**KADEK (Kurdish Liberty and Democracy Congress) in 2002, and then as**

**KONGRA-GEL (Kurdish People's Congress) in 2003 in order to avoid from international condemnation and reaction.**

**In any case, all these names signify the same terrorist organization whose infrastructure, methods, armed elements and aim have never changed.**

# PKK/KONGRA-GEL1

27 June 2008  
ISTANBUL/GUNGOREN



03 OCTOBER 2008  
AKTUTUN ATTACK



**PKK has been included in the list of terrorist organizations established by EU on 2 May 2002.**

**KADEK and PKK/KONGRA-GEL was added on 5 April 2004.**

**The USA proscribed PKK, KADEK and PKK/KONGRA-GEL in the foreign terrorist organizations list on 13 January 2004.**

# PKK/KONGRA-GEL

## The activities in EU member countries



**Violent propaganda**



**Fund-raising**



**Recruitment  
and training**



**Violent attacks  
against  
Turkish targets**

# PKK/KONGRA-GEL

## Media Foundations



# PKK/KONGRA-GEL

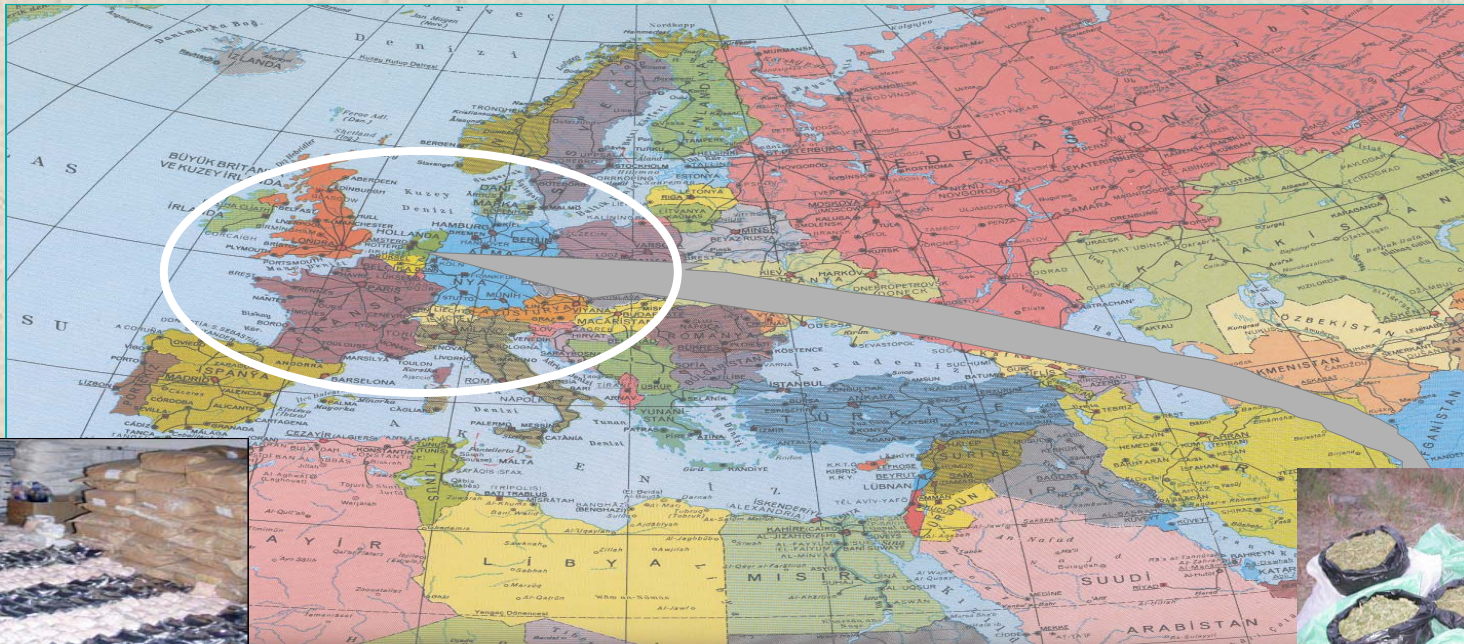
## The Sputnik Operation



# PKK/KONGRA-GEL

## NARCOTIC ROUTE

From Middle East via Balkans towards EUROPE



# Terrorist Organizations Abusing Religion



**The aim;**  
replace the secular,  
the constitutional Turkish state  
with  
a religion-based state.





# HIZBULLAH

- **Established in 1985**
- **No ties to Lebanese Hizbullah**
- **Gathering in and around bookstores**
- **Active in Europe**



# AL-QAIDA

## Istanbul bombings in 2003

Dead: 59





- ✓ Difference between religious citizens and terrorists should be identified and cognizant by security forces.
- ✓ The approaches targeting religion and religious people should be avoided.
- ✓ Sincere people in their religious beliefs should not be insulted. Required sensitivity should be attached to acquire public support.
- ✓ Cross-pollination of extremists should be prevented.
- ✓ Offenses to religious beliefs boost public tension
- ✓ As an explanation of religious terrorism the most appropriate term is “Religiously Motivated terrorism”
- ✓ The groups that have not involved in violence activities but closed to communication and dialogue, have tendency to hate, and violence can be named as Radical religious groups.

# Socio-economic Policies & Preventive Measures

**KÖYDES and BELDES Projects**  
(Projects for infrastructural aid for villages and municipalities)



# Socio-economic Policies & Preventive Measures

## Village-coming and Rehabilitation Project

- Infrastructural investments, such as road, water, electricity and canalization, are made.
- Physical conditions of schools, health centers, mosques are improved,
- The citizens who come back are given construction materials in order to build their houses,
- With agriculture, animal breeding and hand crafts projects, it is aimed that people living here will acquire profession and perpetuate their lives.



## Socio-economic Policies & Preventive Measures

Compensation of damages resulting from terrorism and combating terrorism



This act enables the citizens to get compensation for the cases of death, injury, disabilities and the other damages caused by the deprivation of their movable and immovable goods.

# Socio-economic Policies & Preventive Measures

## Preventive Activities

Informative studies



Studies with families



Social projects

# International Cooperation & Training





# International Cooperation & Training

24 different countries

74 training terms

1.340 trainees





## CONCLUSION

- ✓ Terrorism, though local or regional in the past, has turned into a global phenomenon that needs to be tackled globally.
- ✓ Turkey is determined to provide her continued active contribution into the improvement of international cooperation in fight against terrorism.
- ✓ The principle of “either extradite or try” in international ethic should be implemented without any political aim.
- ✓ The countries, taken part in “European Convention on extradition of criminals”, should be more sensitive on accepting asylum.



## CONCLUSION

- ✓ International cooperation should be strengthened and the grounds for direct cooperation and joint operations should be set up.
- ✓ All current ideological movements within civilian society should be encouraged to stay within a lawful framework and promote a culture of democracy.
- ✓ Considering all mentioned above, Turkey expects assistance from all EU member states in her fight against terrorism.



**Thanks for your attention...**