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Further information on UA 479/90 (EUR 44/171/90, 22 November) - Fear of Torture

TURKEY: Gamze Turan (f), Chairperson of Association of DEMKAD (Democratic Women's Association)

Elif Özpolat (f) )

Arzu Çolak (f) ) DEMKAD

Serap Kayao lu (f) ) board members

Meryem Helik (f) )
+ her mother and father

Songül Özyurt (f), Member of TAYAD (Prisoners' Families
Solidarity Association)

It is now known that the women mentioned above are being held at Küçükesat Local Police Station and not at the Political Branch of Ankara Police Headquarters as previously stated. They were detained after their participation in a peaceful demonstration against a statement made by a Minister of State which they considered humiliating to women. Some of those present were permitted to see their families and lawyers, and it is thought that they will soon be released.

Please stop all action on their behalf. Amnesty International will continue to monitor the situation.