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- 07.12.2018: IHD issued a statement on daily *Yeni Şafak* targeting human rights defenders. İHD strongly condemned the daily for such a hostile editorial policy reminding it of the duties and responsibilities of the press which should measure up to both ethical and legal criteria.

<http://ihd.org.tr/en/index.php/2018/12/07/ihd-statement-on-yeni-safak-targeting-its-executives/>

- 10.12.2018: IHD and HRFT issued a special report on the status of human rights in Turkey on 10 December 2018 Human Rights Day which marks the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

<http://ihd.org.tr/en/index.php/2018/12/10/ihd-hrft-joint-statement-and-special-report-10-december-2018-human-rights-day/>

- 21.12.2018: IHD released a press statement on Şebnem Korur Fincancı, the president of HRFT and, who was sentenced to 2 years and 6 months in prison for signing the declaration by Academics for Peace. IHD harshly criticized the verdict and stated that sentencing Professor Fincancı meant sentencing human dignity.

<http://ihd.org.tr/en/index.php/2018/12/21/ihd-statement-sentencing-professor-fincanci-is-sentencing-human-dignity/>

- 28.12.2018: IHD, HRFT and two other lawyers' platforms issued a statement on the on-going indefinite and non-alternate hunger strikes in Turkish prisons.

<http://ihd.org.tr/en/index.php/2018/12/28/joint-statement-on-hunger-strikes-in-turkish-prisons/>

Human Rights Association (İnsan Hakları Derneği-IHD) is a non-governmental, independent, and voluntary body. The association, which was founded in 1986 by 98 human rights defenders, today has 28 branches, 6 representative offices, and 7,945 members. IHD is the oldest and largest human rights organization in Turkey and its "sole and specific goal is to promote 'human rights and freedoms.'"