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HUGE COALITION TOWARDS THE 5TH OF AUGUST

Whole Turkey is waiting with great curiosity for the demonstration on the 5th of August in Silivri. The organizations that called for the demonstration are working at high speed.

The court that is dealing with the Ergenekon Case is going to declare its decision on that day. Workers' Party called for a meeting outside the court a called which is now supported by several parties and organizations.

Among them is the People's Republican Party, the country's main opposition party, and the youth Union of Turkey. With the participation of several organizations more, the three already made a joint press declaration calling the people of Turkey to Silivri.

International Observers

On the judgment day, also several international observers are expected in Silivri. On the invitation of the Workers' Party, the Communist Party of Russia, the Serbian Socialist Party and the Syrian Baath Party are going to be in Silivri on the 5th of August. The support called issued by the Workers' Party is also receiving a lot of support.

Growing international criticism on the trial

A human rights network that represents the global academic world prepared a 71 page report on the trials that have scientists as victims. The report points out the inventions of proof in the trials. The report was written by Peter Diamond, Hans-Peter Zenner and carol Corillon, all three winners of the Nobel Price, after their visit to Turkey in February 2013.

The report examined the Ergenekon, Balyoz and other trials and comes to the conclusion that these trials constitute the government's attempt to take revenge.

Government is threatening

The AKP government meanwhile is already threatening the Silivri demonstration. Deputy Prime Minister Bulent Arinc made the following declaration to the press: "As the events in Silivri grow in that way, it is unforeseeable where the events will stop, who is going to lose life and who is going to be hurt."

The Deputy Chairman of AKP, Mehmet Ali Sahin offered his party's view on the protestors. He called everyone participating in the Gezi Protests "people who want to provoke a coup d'etat" and declared they deserve life long sentence.

Meanwhile, the government is building new barricades outside the court in Silivri.

Decision of Constitutional Court

The decision of the Constitutional Court was published in the governmental Official Paper and thus became valid law. The court had decided in June that the maximum detention period of ten years was too long and had limited it to five years. But the court had given the government one year to publish the law and thus bring it to life. Several accused in the Ergenekon trial are imprisoned more than five years, and the effect of the decision on the court's judgement is expected with great curiosity.

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