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→ Turkey is also taking an active role and contributing to the work of most relevant major international platforms such as the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND), the UNODC, the Paris Pact, and the Pompidou Group. She has also established the Turkish International Academy Against Drugs and Organized Crime (TADOC) which has trained 820 officials from 48 countries.

→ As one of the two traditional licit opium producers in the world, Turkey takes great care to prevent leakage into illicit channels. The Turkish method of un-lanced cultivation of poppy straw is the world's safest method, although a costly one.

Combating Terrorism

→ Turkey has always promoted the idea that under all circumstances, regardless of the alleged motives and causes, there can be no justification for terrorism.

→ Turkey regards the UN as the main forum for establishing a framework of international cooperation in combating terrorism. Turkey is one of the first countries to have become party to all 12 United Nations Conventions and Protocols concerning terrorism.

→ Turkey has also concluded bilateral agreements concerning cooperation in the fight against terrorism and organized crime with 50 states.

→ She recognizes that the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction constitutes a genuine threat to our societies, particularly when such weapons fall into the hands of terrorist groups. Being geographically close to regions posing high risks of proliferation, Turkey takes a firm stance against proliferation of WMD and their means of delivery.

Fighting Organized Crime

→ Turkey is a party to the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime and its three Protocols.

→ Turkey has several national legal instruments against organized crime, including the Law on Combating Profit-Oriented Criminal Organizations, the Anti-Terror Act and the Law on Prevention of Money Laundering.

→ Turkey is also a party to certain regional cooperation efforts in the fight against organized crime in the Balkans and the Black Sea region, including the Stability Pact, the South-East European Cooperative Initiative (SECI) and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation.

Stamping Out Corruption

→ Corruption is an important issue for the international community and especially for developing countries and tackling corruption is a high priority of the Turkish Government.

→ Turkey is stepping up nationwide measures to tackle corruption and plays an active role in international efforts.

→ Turkey was one of the first countries to sign the United Nations Convention against Corruption, the first global international legal instrument to combat corruption.

→ Turkey is also a party to the Council of Europe's Civil Law Convention on Corruption; the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption; and the OECD Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions.

→ Turkey is also a member of the Group of States against Corruption (GRECO).

→ Turkey fully implements all decisions and recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force of the OECD, which gives priority to efforts to tackle bribery and corruption.

