

# EXHIBIT 1



*Ambassador*

*Embassy of Turkey  
Washington, D. C.*

August 28, 2020

**RE: Criminal Investigation into Fetullah Gulen and His Organization**

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter confirms that Law Enforcement Authorities of the Republic of Turkey are conducting various criminal investigations into Fetullah Gulen and his organization for suspected criminal activity.

The current focus of one of these investigations is widespread and includes the suspected laundering of criminal proceeds in violation of Turkish laws and regulations, including Article 282 of the Criminal Code, Law No. 5549 on Prevention of Laundering Proceeds of Crime, and the Regulation on Measures Regarding Prevention of Laundering Proceeds of Crime.

Specifically, Turkish authorities are investigating a scheme through which criminally derived funds are being laundered from certain corporations and individuals throughout the United States, and then returned to Turkey for the continued financing of illicit activities in violation of Turkish laws.

In furtherance of competent Turkish authorities' investigative efforts, please be advised that the Government of Turkey has retained U.S.-based counsel, Nixon Peabody LLP, to receive more information about the criminal activities of these corporations and individuals in the United States. We are optimistic that the assistance of the U.S. judicial system in compelling the production of information relevant to these investigations will assist in bringing the responsible parties to justice in Turkey and the United States.

Please be advised that this letter should not be deemed or interpreted as waiver of immunity of the Ambassador of the Government of Turkey to the United States, as well as any member of the Turkish Embassy in Washington, D.C. from jurisdiction of the U.S. courts, which is recognized by the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961.

We appreciate your time and assistance with this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
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