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**Javier SOLANA,
EU High Representative for the CFSP,
welcomes release of Leyla ZANA by Turkish authorities**

Javier SOLANA, EU High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP), welcomed today the release of the former Turkish parliamentarian and human rights activist, Leyla ZANA:



"I'm very pleased to learn that Turkey's appeals court has ordered today the release of Leyla Zana and of three other former parliamentarians. I had recently written to Ms Zana while she was in prison to let her know of my concern for her detention.

Today's ruling coincided with the first Kurdish-language broadcasts on state television. This is an important step and deserves to be acknowledged.

The Turkish government is delivering on its engagements. The process of reforms contributes to the progress of Turkish society and of all its communities."

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