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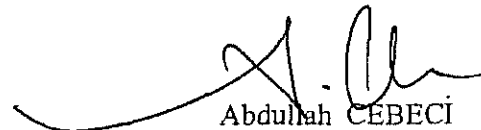
Subject : Davoyan v Turabian filed against the Republic of Turkey,  
Central Bank and Ziraat Bank

U.S. Department of Justice  
Civil Division  
Office of International Judicial Assistance  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20550  
United States of America

By the letter of California Regional Court dated 29/07/2010 and numbered CV10 5636 CBM SSx received as enclosed to the service of document letter of APS International dated 16/12/2010, it was requested that the document to be served to our Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr. Ahmet Davutoğlu on behalf of the Republic of Turkey due to the lawsuit brought by F Garbis Davoyan and Hrayr Turabian against Republic of Turkey, T.R. Central Bank and T.R. Ziraat Bank for a claim.

The Republic of Turkey, as a sovereign State, enjoys sovereign immunity under international law. Thus, request for service abroad of judicial or extrajudicial documents regarding the Davoyan v. Republic of Turkey is hereby refused pursuant to Article 13 of the "Convention on the Service Abroad of Judicial and Extrajudicial Documents in Civil or Commercial Matters, signed at the Hague, November 15, 1965".

Submitted for your information.

  
Abdullah CEBECI  
Judge  
Deputy General Director

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Enclosure: Set