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Journalist Kenan Karavil Sentenced to more than 19 Years

SOURCE OF THREAT ▶ State

⊕ 1 Journalist in detention

CATEGORY ⓘ ▶ Detention and imprisonment of journalists

PARTNER: EFJ/IFJ

Kenan Karavil was born in the district of Kızıltepe in the southeastern province of Mardin in 1980. He started his career in journalism working for Azadiya Welat in Adana. He then served as its correspondent in Mersin. He was detained at the start of the year 2000 and sentenced the following year to 15 years in prison. He was released in 2005 thanks to an amendment to the Turkish Penal Code (TCK.) Karavil then began to work at a local radio station called Radio Dünya in Adana. He served as its chief editor until his arrest on 11 December 2009. The prosecutors reportedly questioned him about a number of issues, such as who owned the radio, what he was doing there, why his programme was named as such and why he was reading prison letters at the radio. Karavil has been sentenced to 19 years and 9 months of imprisonment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ▼

⊕ [Link to the “Witness Days” initiative](#)

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22 Oct 2015 | Response of the Turkish Government (information provided by the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Turkey)

⊕ [Letter from the Permanent Representation of Turkey to the Council of Europe](#)

JOURNALISTS IN DETENTION ▼

Currently in detention (1):

Kenan Karavil