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Invitation to the Press Conference (in Brussels, Hotel Silken) of ELDH and MAF-DAD

The European Association of Lawyers for Democracy and World Human Rights **ELDH** and the Association for Democracy and International Law **MAF-DAD**

will present the attached appeal (please don't publish before 19th October 2010)

European Lawyers demand: Take the PKK off the Terrorist List of the European Union

In the appeal the lawyers also demand the abolishment of the EU Terrorist List in general, in particular because it does not comply with the rule of law. In this context the lawyers refer to several judgements of the European Court of Justice in Luxemburg, which declared the listing on the Terrorist List as violation of European law. The lawyers demand that the European Union plays an active role in the efforts for a peaceful solution of the Kurdish question. The European Union should support the Kurdish civil society. The expulsion of Kurdish political refugees to the pursuant state Turkey should be stopped.

The appeal is up to now supported by

- the European Association of Lawyers for Democracy and World Human Rights EDLH, which represents 9 lawyers associations and lawyers in 16 countries
- the European Democratic Lawyers EDL, which represents 11 lawyers associations and lawyers in 6 countries,
- the International Association of Democratic Lawyers IADL
- the Association for Democracy and International Law MAF-DAD

Additional supporters are welcome !

When: 11:00 am on 19th October 2010

Where:Hotel Silken (room JEAN REY III) Berlaymont Brussels11-19, Boulevard Charlemagne1000 Brussels - Belgium

Callers of the Press Conference

•	Thomas Schmidt	Germany, Secretary General of ELDH, <u>www.eldh.eu</u> (Germany)
-	Jan Fermon	Belgium, Progress Lawyers Network, http://www.progresslaw.net, ELDH Executive
	Committee (Belgium)	
-	Heike Geisweid	Chairperson of Maf-Dad www.mafdad.org (Germany)
-	Mario Angelelli	of Maf-Dad (Italy)
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