

To The Commission or name of official...

*Dear .....*

*Date.....*

It's been 28 months since my dismissal from public service and education ministry. I'm discharged of my duty without receiving any plausible legal explanation for the cause of the dismissal. No reasons and grounds were disclosed for my dismissal.

During this time period, I'm unable to find proper work to make a decent living. We, the dismissed public workers, were condemned to live a wretched life, deprived of livelihood in the post-coup era. Our passports have been revoked, our health care, social and housing benefits have been canceled. Since the official ban on working in the public sector have been published on The Official Gazette, our status has become a matter of public knowledge.

This factor dented the possibility of finding a decent job in the private sector as well. Most of the employers understandably were too scared to employ us over the concern of government backlash and crackdown. At first, we largely depended on good graces of our beloved ones, family members and friends rightly after the purge. But by the time, the situation has become unsustainable and untenable. Many of our friends and us had to work clandestinely, in underpaid jobs, like in the construction sites along with workers or as street vendors in bazaars.

With the hope of a remedy, I applied to the Inquiry Commission, which was established by the government and which was called OHAL Commission in the aftermath of the 2016 coup. But I only received a response 10 months later. The Commission is simply designed to prolong processing applications for a thorough review of the dismissal cases. It refused my appeal without offering any satisfactory and reasonable explanation.

The commission's rejection has shut down all the prospect of a meaningful and tangible remedy in the domestic domain. I'm, as a teacher, unable to work both in the public and private sectors. I and other teachers are condemned to abject poverty, and even starvation, in this social and political environment in Turkey. Therefore I bring my case to the European Commission in an

effort to obtain an effective remedy given the legal obstacles in Turkey. The report by Amnesty International succinctly details the hardships and officially-sanctioned discrimination that dismissed public workers face. We are already suffering a psychological and social trauma. We urge the Commission to ramp up pressure on Ankara to address our plight before it becomes too late, before many lives lost.

Yours Sincerely,

Signature

Name and your contact info.