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LES PRESIDENTS

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Dear President Alpar,

On behalf of the CODHOS Members, we would like to express our concern and outrage about the Wikipedia ban in Turkey.

We totally agree with your statement. Wikipedia is a huge and free encyclopedia, which provides access to the entire world of knowledge and creates links between people. Scientists, as well as the general public, need such sites to work and to share ideas and discoveries.

We strongly support our colleagues from Turkey in their fight for freedom and for protecting the right to knowledge and education for all people.

With kind regards

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