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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Let us stop the assault to the international heritages of HASANKEYF by Ilisu dam which will be tendered soon. In this sense; the implementation of the project **TIDE** (*Terracing – Torricelli – Turbine – Irrigation – Dyke – Energy*) will make all parties involved in these projects happier.

Hasankeyf is the last standing down loop of the Northern Mesopotamia whereas the Munzur is the upper one. The geology of the area, for 65 million years, with its admirable outstanding features indicating evolution of the region is flowering there. Why is this assault to Hasankeyf, which served inhabitants and formed a comfortable cradle for various civilizations for the last 6500 years? The assailants mainly claim that (a) energy shortage and (b) irrigation problems will be solved by the Ilisu dam. All of their claims unrealistic...! Since 1946 they killed thousands of natural and historical monuments and heritages in Anatolia to leave Anatolia as an empty sack.

Why is this strong criticism put forward...?

Because, the project **TIDE**, proposed as an alternative to the Ilisu dam project, provides;

- (a) 90% reduction in cost,
- (b) Twice more energy,
- (c) Twelve times more farm land to be irrigated,
- (d) 99% reduction in land acquisition,
- (e) Easy protection of the natural monuments,
- (f) Effective preservation of the historical and cultural heritages forever, and
- (g) Numerous superiorities from standpoint of social and environmental impacts.

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Sincerely yours,

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