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Som det er fremgået af pressen i dag, har viceanklageren fra rigsadvokaturen for København og Bornholm Anders Risager, politiadvokat Dorit Borgaard samt vicepolitiadvokat Jakob Buch-Jepsen, begge fra Københavns politi, aflagt besøg i Tyrkiet for at drøfte ROJ-TV i dag og i går

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**SABAH** – March 27, 2009

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## **ROJ TV AS THE TRUMP AGAINST RASMUSSEN**

### **In order to prevent Turkey's objection against the Danish Prime Minister's candidacy for the NATO General Secretariat, Roj TV closure has come on the agenda**

It is said that the Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen, who had mismanaged the caricature crisis in his country due to which Turkey is objecting to his candidacy for the NATO General Secretariat, is trying to soften the environment through an interesting method.

According to the information we obtained, it is said that Rasmussen has taken a step with jet speed to have the closure case started against the Roj TV, which is making propaganda for the PKK terror organization in his country. It has been learned that the State Public Prosecutor Anders Riisager, conducting the interrogation on the matter, came to Ankara yesterday and collected information. The comments in the Danish political circles say that this was to soften Turkey's objections against Rasmussen's candidacy for the NATO General Secretariat.

### **Initiative to annul the Licence**

The dominant belief is that the case for the closure of Roj TV will be launched with jet speed upon Riisager's return from Turkey, which would be a gesture for Turkey by Rasmussen. Since 2004, Turkey has been making diplomatic initiatives to have the Danish licence of Roj TV annulled. Furthermore, in an article by the famous American journalist Stephen Kinzer Rasmussen's candidacy has been strongly criticized saying, "Turkey should not be forced to veto Rasmussen. This would mean disrespect on the part of the NATO to the Muslim world. Rasmussen's election should be prevented."

**CAPTION:** In a commentary in the Norwegian daily Aftenposten, Rasmussen was described as "a liar, bluffing, and Bush's puppy dog". Harald Stanghelle, in his commentary published yesterday, strongly criticized Rasmussen saying "Couldn't NATO find anything better than that?"

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**Resume:**

- *Massiv presseinteresse for Anders Fogh Rasmussens udnævnelse til NATO generalsekretær og hans deltagelse i AoC mødet i Istanbul g.d.*

**Pressedækningen op til AoC**

Den tyrkiske pressedækning af udnævnelsen af Anders Fogh Rasmussen (AFR) til NATO-generalsekretær har været massiv og ret entydig i opløbet til AoC mødet i Istanbul g.d.: Tyrkiet gjorde ret i at slæbe på fødderne. Hensynet til NATO's funktionsdygtighed navnlig i Afghanistan-operationen, tilsagde, at man tog i betragtning, at AFR havde et belastet generalieblad i forhold til den muslimske verden p.g.a. tegnings sagen. Hertil kom en anden vigtig sag for NATO, kampen mod terrorisme, hvor Danmark under AFR undlod at skride ind over for ROJ-TV, selvom det efter tyrkisk opfattelse var soleklart, at ROJ-TV var PKKs propaganda-organ.

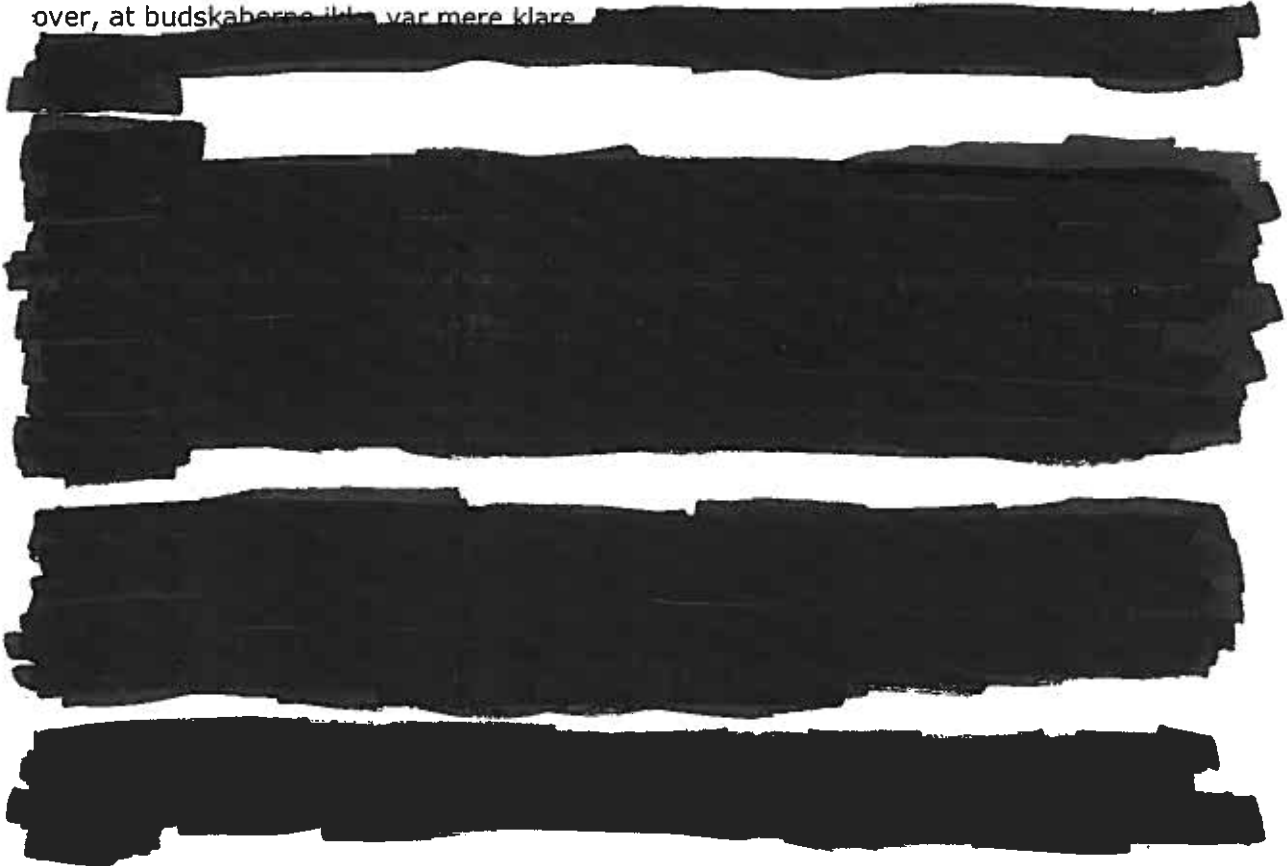


**Dagens presse**

Linjen i dagens presse efter AFR tale g.d. i Istanbul er koncentreret om, at AFR ikke kom med en undskyldning for tegningesagen, som man havde forventet det fra tyrkisk side. Det

fremhæves, at AFR på en række punkter rakte hånden ud i forhold til respekt for islam, religiøse symboler og profeten Muhammed.

Det fremhæves også, at AFR kaldte PKK en terrororganisation, men at han ikke kom med garantier om, at ROJ-tv ville blive lukket. I mediebilledet fremstår således en vis skuffelse over, at budskaberne ikke var mere klare



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Ole Egberg Mikkelsen – amb. Ankara

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Flere toneangivende tyrkiske aviser, både regeringsvenlige og regeringskritiske, bringer d.d., i notitsform uden billeder i udlandsdelen, historien fra Berlingske Tidende i går om, at Københavns Politi kun har sat én politimand på sagen ([Link til artikel i Berlingske Tidende](#)). MF Peter Skaarups kritik af regeringens håndtering optræder flere steder. Se neden for til orientering artikel i engelsksprogede Zaman (regeringsvenlig, landets største avis), hvori der bl.a. - indirekte - konkluderes, at Danmark behandler sagen med ligestyrelighed.

Ambassaden i Ankara / Nikolaj Harris

## TODAY'S ZAMAN

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### **Danish daily reveals one officer handling Roj TV inquiry**

A Danish politician has criticized the government over the slow pace of the investigation into Roj TV, a satellite television station acting as a mouthpiece for the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK), after a Danish newspaper revealed that the investigation team consisted of one police officer.

Peter Skaarup, the vice chairman of the Danish People's Party, on Wednesday criticized the government and Justice Minister Lars Barfoed, claiming a special commission must be established to scrutinize the Roj TV investigation itself.

The Danish daily Berlingske Tidende, which has extensively written on Roj TV previously, ran a story on Wednesday claiming that only one officer has been assigned to investigate Roj TV's alleged links to the PKK. The newspaper

asserted that this is the primary reason why the case has been continuing years despite repeated calls from Ankara for measures to be taken against Roj TV. Danish authorities have responded to Turkey's calls, saying the investigation should first be concluded.

Roj TV, which Turkey has long said is a mouthpiece for the outlawed PKK, continues to broadcast with a Danish license. The daily also reported the same officer is also busy collecting evidence on criminal gang warfare -- one of the Amsterdam's largest problems. Observers note this illustrates the country's indifference to the case.

In early April of last year, former Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen, who is now NATO's new secretary-general, faced opposition to his appointment from NATO-member Turkey due to the way he handled the infamous "cartoon crisis" in 2006 and his country's indifference to Roj TV's links to the terrorist organization. Rasmussen also had a personal clash with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan in 2005 when Danish authorities refused to bar a reporter from Roj TV from a conference hall where Erdoğan and Rasmussen were scheduled to hold a joint press conference. At the last minute Erdoğan refused to attend the conference.

"Usually, terror investigations have a privilege in terms of priority. Both intelligence agencies and police jointly work in coordination. But it seems there are many faults both in coordination and cooperation with respect to this particular investigation," Skaarup said.

Danish prosecutor Lise-Lotte Nilas, who has ultimate say in the investigation, is expected to present his assessment to the Justice Ministry, but it is not yet known when he will do that. Speaking to Today's Zaman last week, Nilas said the completion of the investigation will be in a "matter of months." However, Justice Minister Barfoed said while he was testifying before the Danish Parliament's Law Commission last month that he had no idea why the Roj TV investigation was taking so long.

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1. Under overskriften: **"Rasmussen Disrespectful toward Islam: Turkey's Senior AKP Official"**, gengiver det iranske nyhedsbureau "International Quran New Agency" d.d. udtalelser fra vice-formanden for det tyrkiske regeringsparti AK's udenrigsudvalg, hr.Kiniklioglu, om Statsministerens NATO-kandidatur. Udtalelserne, som det iranske bureau gengiver fra det internationale pressebureau "World Bulletin", er refereret på "POLITIKEN nyheder" d.d.

1. Hr. Kiniklioglu udtaler, at "the election of the Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark as the new secretary-general of NATO could cause some difficulties for the Alliance because of the Islam world's perception of him".

Og videre:

"The Danish prime minister is a troublesome person for Turkey: First of all, he was captured by camera as saying after the EU Summit in 2003 that Turkey would never become a full member of the EU: then, he assumed an irresponsible and unsentimental attitude during the cartoon crisis, and lastly, he failed to prevent broadcast of RojTV from Denmark".

3. Hr. Kiniklioglu anfører til sidst i den iranske gengivelse:

"The way of the Islam world's perceiving Rasmussen is of great importance. It is unacceptable for us that a person who loutishly disrespects our faith and holy values in the past will head the Alliance".

4. Der udkommer ikke dagblade i Iran i disse dage på grund af iranske Nytårsfestligheder.

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**TÜRKIYE GAZETESİ** – April 30, 2010  
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### **WHAT HAPPENED TO THE POSITION OF THE NATO DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL?**

**In order to convince Turkey, which had objected to his becoming the NATO Secretary General, the former Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen had made a series of promises.** The broadcasts of ROJ TV, which is materialized from his country, was to be terminated; he was to apologize for the shameful caricatures on Prophet Mohammed that had appeared in the Danish press; one of the positions of the NATO Deputy Secretary General was to be given to Turkey.

None of them have materialized. In the meantime, Hüseyin Diriöz was nominated for the position of the Deputy Secretary General, which was vacated. However, when Germany objected to this, this appointment did not materialize and Turkey appointed Diriöz as the Ambassador to Rome.

**Turkey and the Turkish people are expecting Rasmussen to keep his promise. We thought we should remind**



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Vedlagt fremsendes ambassadens oversættelser af artikler i de to aviser, Aksam og Vatan, som i dag bringer artikler i størst opsætning. Det sker i store forsideartikler.

Der er i begge artikler gengivelser af Erdogan-interviewet på NTV.

Det bemærkes dog, at det tyrkiske udenrigsministeriums talsmand i Aksam-artiklen bekræfter, at anklagerbesøget har været planlagt i lang tid.

Også andre aviser bringer historien om Erdogan-interviewet med koblinger som i de to anførte aviser, men i langt mindre opsætning. Et kort oversigt er bilagt.

Jesper Vahr

AKSAM – March 29, 2009

News Article by **Mahmut Gürer**, page 1(Headline) & 18

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## **THE ROJ TV BRIBE**

**The Danish Prime Minister, who wants to become the Secretary General for the NATO, understood that he would get a veto from Turkey. He played the Roj TV closure card**

The Roj TV operation from Rasmussen! The Danish Prime Minister, whose NATO carrier depends on Turkey, is trying to get over the veto through Roj TV. Rasmussen, who had until yesterday been extremely protective of the separatist channel that is broadcasting over his country, has taken a backward step for his career.

The Prime Minister called Erdogan on the phone and he also sent two of prosecutors to Ankara, to the Ministry of Justice and to the Ministry of Internal Affairs. It has been interpreted that the visit of the prosecutors, who had so far found the evidence on the Roj TV, being the voice of the PKK, insufficient, is 'not to get vetoed'.

A crisis over the Roj TV was also experienced during Prime Minister Erdogan's visit to Denmark, and when the separatist channel was let in the press conference, Erdogan had left the country. Rasmussen had also remained as a spectator when Prophet Mohammed's caricatures were published [he had not done anything].

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## **THE ELECTION AT THE NATO MADE THE ROJ TV REMEMBERED**

**Rasmussen, who would not close Roj TV for years and who would not take a back step in the caricature crisis, changed his route when the General Secretariat for the NATO, has come into the picture. The Danish Prime Minister sent his prosecutors to Ankara; [coming to] Istanbul in April.**

The Danish Prime Minister remembered that Roj TV was the "media organ of the PKK" when it appeared that Turkey could "possibly veto his becoming the Secretary General for the NATO". Rasmussen sent two of his high-ranking public prosecutors to Ankara on the day he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan.

The Foreign Ministry Spokesman, Burak Özügergin, also confirmed that the Danish prosecutors had come to Ankara; and he maintained that this was previously planned and it should not be linked to the process of Rasmussen's General Secretariat for the NATO. It has been learned that the Danish prosecutors had meetings at the Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Internal Affairs.

## **A never-ending long story**

The closure of Roj TV has been dragging for the last four years. On several occasions, Denmark had requested new evidence from Turkey upon finding the presented documents insufficient. The governments of the two countries had agreed that Turkish prosecutors and police officers would go to Copenhagen and would explain the process to the authorities in Copenhagen. However, nothing had come out of this, either.

Along with the Roj TV, caricature crisis had also been experienced between Turkey and Denmark. 12 caricatures were published in a newspaper in Denmark in 2005, which depicted Prophet Mohammed in an insulting manner; and over 20 countries, including Turkey, had sent protest letters. And, Rasmussen had said: "We have freedom of expression; I cannot do anything."

## **How can I explain this to my people?**

In the live program on NTV, which Erdogan participated the previous evening, he he conveyed what he said to Rasmussen in the following manner: "A very serious reaction has formed in the countries, whose people are Muslim; and, these countries have started calling us and telling us, 'don't you do it'. Unfortunately, this is the reflection of those days to the present. And, the other point is Roj TV. I called you on the phone in connection with the caricature crisis. Why had you not opted for calling the ambassadors of the Muslim countries, explaining to them that you would do whatever was required? Why had you not given me a favourable response? During my visit to you in Denmark, I brought up the Roj TV issue. There, you put in front of me the Danish laws. It has been 4 years, and you have not been able to conclude the matter. But now different things are being discussed. On April 3-4, in Brussels or perhaps in France, a decision will be taken on this issue. My primary duty would be to explain this to my people. I should not be in contradiction with the principles of my party; and it is up to your discretion to understand what this would mean."

## **How Roj TV was founded**

[Description of the process starting with MED TV, MEDYA TV leading to Roj TV]

## **CAPTION:**

Rasmussen will be participating at the meeting of the Alliance of Civilizations, to take place in Istanbul on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. At the meeting, which President Obama is also participating, it is expected that Rasmussen will meet with the leaders of Muslim countries, with whom his relations were harmed due to the caricature crisis. In 2005, Rasmussen had taken Erdogan to the Danish Royal Palace

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## **THE NATO CHALLENGE WORKED**

**The Danish Prime Minister who would not lift a finger for Roj TV for the last 4 years, has started taking action upon Turkey's threat of vetoing his becoming the Secretary General for the NATO**

Yesterday Rasmussen hastily sent two high-ranking prosecutors to Ankara to discuss the closure of Roj TV. Turkey has been endeavouring to have Roj TV closed; however, was unable to get anywhere. During his visit to Denmark in 2005, Erdogan had called off his joint press conference with Rasmussen due to Roj TV.

### **Talked with Erdogan**

During the telephone conversation Erdogan had with Rasmussen the previous day, he said: "You had remained insensitive to at the crisis that had come about because of the caricatures of the Prophet Mohammed. You had not cooperated on Roj TV, either." Rasmussen definitely needs Turkey's vote in order to become the Secretary General for the NATO.

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## **HAS STEPPED BACK FROM ROJ TV FOR THE SAKE OF THE NATO CHAIR**

**The Danish Prime Minister Rasmussen, who had said "we have freedom of expression" in response to Turkey's efforts to have Roj TV closed, has retreated due to the "veto" threat for his Secretary General to the NATO. Yesterday Rasmussen stated that he would send two high-ranking prosecutors to Turkey to discuss the closure of Roj TV, the media organ of the PKK**

Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan has presented the Roj TV as the trump against Rasmussen, who wishes to become the Secretary General for the NATO. Prime Minister Erdogan supported his Roj TV trump with the caricature crisis. Erdogan pointed out that Anders Fogh Rasmussen had called him and that they had talked on the phone; criticizing the fact that Denmark had been unable to solve the Roj TV issue for the last 4 years, he stated that he had told him that "he had not taken favourable steps". Erdogan also conveyed that he had told Rasmussen that he did not want to be in contradiction with the principles of his party and that he needed to be able to explain it to the people.

In the live program on NTV, which Erdogan participated the previous evening, he responded a question related to Rasmussen's candidacy to the General Secretariat of the NATO.

Erdogan, who did not at all touch upon the PKK crisis during his visit to Denmark, said the following: "He called me; it seems he had been calling for the last few days, we had not been able to talk. I expressed the discomfort in the society. We do not want the NATO to be worn [tired] out. We would not want you be worn out as a Prime Minister, either. With the caricature crisis, there had been reactions against you. Muslim countries are calling us and saying "don't you do it". I told him that I had told him certain things in connection with the Roj TV. I told him that he had not taken favourable steps. You had put in front of the Danish laws. We said that they had not concluded this matter for the last 4 years. But now they are talking about different things. It was a lengthy talk. A decision would be reached on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. I told him that my primary duty would be to explain this to my people. I should not be in contradiction with the principles of my party; and it is up to your discretion to understand what this would mean."

### **We have been trying since 2004**

Rasmussen, who Turkey has been accusing of mismanaging the caricature crisis, has now started taking action, in order to get Turkey's support as well for his becoming the Secretary General for the NATO. He talked on the phone with Prime Minister Erdogan and he is also planning to promptly launch the closure case against the Roj TV, which could not have been launched for a long time. For this purpose, Rasmussen has sent a public prosecutor to Turkey so that he would collect information.

Turkey has been taking diplomatic initiatives since 2004 so that the broadcasting license of Roj TV, obtained from Denmark, would be annulled. Turkey wants the termination of the broadcasts of Roj TV, which continues its broadcasts with the license obtained from Denmark; and for this purpose, she had applied to the Danish Radio and TV Board. However, Denmark has started an investigation pointing out that a court decision was necessary to terminate the broadcasts of Roj TV and to have its licence annulled. And, Turkey conveyed to Denmark information, documents, and materials, by the Ministry of Justice and through the Embassy in Copenhagen, so that the case against Roj TV could be launched promptly. However, so far Denmark has not taken a concrete step to have the case launched.

### **If Rasmussen gets elected his income will increase by USD 25 thousand**

If the Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen gets elected as the Secretary General for the NATO, he would not only be profiting politically but financially as well. At present Rasmussen is making USD 175 thousand annually and if he gets elected as the Secretary General his annual salary will increase to USD 200.

### **Denmark has dragged her foot**

As opposed to the fact that Denmark has dragged her foot, Britain had cancelled the broadcasting license of MED TV, the media organ of PKK/KONGRA-GEL, in 1999. And, in 2004, France had cancelled the broadcasting license of MEDYA TV, which was the continuation of MED TV. Germany also banned the activities of Roj TV in Germany as a result of the data obtained in the operations conducted in May and June, 2008. On June 19, 2008, Germany also banned Mezopotamya Broadcasting and VIKO TV, which included Roj TV.

### **He had said "we have freedom of expression"**

On November 15, 2005, Prime Minister Erdogan was going to have a press conference following his meeting with Rasmussen in Copenhagen, where he went to deliver a speech at the NATO Assembly. However, upon finding out that there were also Roj TV correspondents present, he had asked that these correspondents should be removed from the lounge and Rasmussen had criticized Erdogan, and said: "So long as the journalists act in compliance with the Danish laws, I will not remove any journalist from the lounge. The Danish police have started an investigation against the Roj TV. It is an ongoing investigation at present. As the Prime Minister, I will not make any interventions so long as the investigation continues. We have freedom of expression. The Danish government cannot monitor what appears in the media; and actually, it should not be monitored. In conclusion, the Danish Government cannot be held responsible for the exercise of democracy in the media."

### **How is the Secretary General for NATO elected?**

[Description of the position and responsibilities]

Sec. Gen. is not elected but determined through consensus reached through lobbying, care is taken that the designated name is not in opposition to the USA

Rasmussen is one of the most suitable names from Europe because he had approved that Denmark should send soldiers to Iraq.

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The following Turkish dailies in their issues of March 29, 2009, also cover the telephone conversation between Erdogan and Rasmussen, and give almost the same information provided by AKSAM and VATAN, the latter giving the most extensive coverage:

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Det tyrkiske dagblad Aksam (uafhængigt – sekulært) indeholdt gd. vedhæftede omtale af sagen om ROJ-TV, dels i form af en forsidehenvisning, dels i en artikel inde i bladet. Omtalen er sålydende i ambassadens oversættelse:

News Item by Murat Tarhan in Copenhagen, page 1 and 13

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**ROJ BEING UNPLUGGED**

Denmark is getting ready to close Roj TV. It is expected that the Prosecutors will apply to the court by the end of the year, requesting that "the frequency should be annulled".

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**DENMARK WILL TERMINATE THE ROJ BUSINESS**

Denmark is getting ready to take the first step for the closure of Roj TV by the end of the year. Denmark, which has collected the evidence Turkey provided through the Embassy in Copenhagen, will go to court for the annulment of the frequency.

Turkey had removed the obstacle from the former Danish Prime Minister Rasmussen's path so that he could become the new Secretary General for NATO; and this paid back. Danish Prosecutors have turned the documents, which are regularly presented on a monthly basis by the Embassy, into a file and by coming to Ankara twice they obtained information from Turkish Prosecutors. The Danish Prosecutors, who are planning to come to Ankara for the third time in December, will give the file its final form.

Ambassador Mehmet Akat said: "The documents we have presented and our persistent attitude has reached a certain point. At the end of the year, they will decide whether or not they will go to court for closure. Our impression is that they will go to court."

Akat continued by saying: "There are about 200-300 thousand tourists going to Turkey from Denmark. Those who have seen our country think differently about Turkey. PKK cannot find the support it seeks in Denmark."





Ole Egberg Mikkelsen - amb. Ankara



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### Roj'un fişi çekiliyor

**DANİMARKA,** Roj TV'yi kapatmaya hazırlanıyor. Savcıların, 'frekansın iptali' talebiyle yıl sonunda mahkemeye başvurması bekleniyor. 13'TE

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## Danimarka Roj işini bitirecek

**DANİMARKA,** Roj TV'nin kapatılması için yıl sonunda ilk adımı atmaya hazırlanıyor. Türkiye'nin Kopenhag elçiliği aracılığıyla sunduğu belgeleri toplayan Danimarka, frekansın iptali için mahkemeye gidecek.

Türkiye'nin eski Danimarka Başbakanı Rasmussen'e NATO Genel Sekreterliği yolunu açması, karşılıksız kalmadı. Elçiliğin her ay düzenli olarak sunduğu belgeleri dosyaya dönüştüren Danimarkalı savcılar, iki kez Ankara'ya gelerek Türk savcılardan bilgi aldı. Aralık ayı içinde üçüncü kez Türkiye'ye gelmeyi



planlayan savcılar, hazırladıkları dosyaya son şekli verecek.

Büyükelçi Mehmet Akat, "Sunduğumuz belgeler ve ısrarlı tutumumuz, bir noktaya ulaştı. Bu yıl sonunda mahkemeye kapatma için gidip gitmeyeceklerine karar verecekler. Bizim izlenimimiz, mahkemeye gidecekleri yönde" diye konuştu.

Akat, şöyle devam etti: "Danimarka'dan Türkiye'ye her yıl 200 ila 300 bin turist gidiyor. Ülkemizi görenler, Türkiye hakkında artık farklı düşünüyor. PKK Danimarka'da aradığı desteği bulamıyor."

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**ROJ TV i tegningernes skygge**

*Berlingske Tidende 15. juni 2010, 1. sektion, side 8*

De danske myndigheders nølen over for ROJ TVs mulige forbindelser til terror hænger uløseligt sammen med Muhammedkrisen. Sådan lyder opfattelsen blandt frustrerede samarbejdspartnere i kampen mod terror. Berlingske Tidende fremlægger ny dokumentation.

Af Simon Bendtsen, Michael Jagd Jelbo og Karl Erik Stougaard

I løbet af den sidste uge af oktober 2005 krydsede to af Danmarks største udenrigspolitiske kriser hinandens spor.

Det var i de dage, at Muhammed-krisen første gang lagde pres på den danske regering - og det var i de selvsamme dage, at alvoren i sagen om ROJ TV gik op for topembedsmænd i Udenrigsministeriet.

De to ulmende kriser skaber stadig rystelser i Danmarks forhold til omverden.

Den ene sag, tegningerne, har gjort ytringsfrihed til et internationalt dansk varemærke og Danmark til et terrormål.

Den anden sag, ROJsagen, tester, om Danmark er 100 procent med i kampen mod terror, og om den kamp vil sætte grænser for ytringsfriheden og dermed skade det dyrt købte varemærke.

Ukendte forbindelser Berlingske Tidende har gennem de seneste måneder undersøgt sagen mod ROJ TV og fremlagt dokumentation for, at der er forbindelser til PKK, som offentligheden hidtil ikke har kendt til, og som ledelsen i ROJ TV kategorisk har benægtet eksisterede - PKK er på EU's terrorliste.

I dag kan Berlingske Tidende offentliggøre nye oplysninger, der viser, at flere af Danmarks nærmeste samarbejdspartnere gentagne gange har lagt pres på Danmark for at smide ROJ TV ud af landet.

Fjere lande har samtidig rykket for svar på, hvorfor efterforskningen tager så lang tid. Der er tydeligvis undren over, at Københavns Politi og bagmandspolitiet har brugt snart fem år på at undersøge, om ROJ TV gennem forbindelser til PKK er med til at fremme terror. En forbindelse, som blandt andet vores vigtigste allierede USA og vores naboer i Tyskland opfatter som bevist.

»Danmark har et særligt problem,« som en tidligere amerikansk viceudenrigsminister har udtrykt det på møder med europæiske NATO-allierede om indsatsen mod PKK og herunder dens forbindelse til ROJ TV: Det særlige problem er »tegningerne.«

#### Formel protest fra USA

Sammenstødet mellem ytringsfrihed kontra terrorbekæmpelse, Muhammed-sag versus ROJ-sag, sker i de sidste dage af oktober 2005. Den 24. oktober afviser daværende statsminister Anders Fogh Rasmussen at mødes med ambassadører fra 11 muslimske lande, som protesterer over de »blasfemiske« tegninger i Jyllands-Posten.

Få dage forinden har Fogh udtalt: »Ytringsfriheden er selve det danske demokratis fundament. Ytringsfriheden er meget vidtrækkende, og den danske regering har ingen mulighed for at påvirke pressen.

« Den 26. oktober er daværende forsvarsminister Søren Gade til møde i det amerikanske forsvarsministerium, Pentagon, med sin amerikanske kollega Donald Rumsfeld.

Bag dem bliver en dansk diplomat fra ambassaden i Washington trukket til side af en højtstående embedsmand fra USAs Udenrigsministerium .

Den danske diplomat rapporterer efterfølgende hjem, at amerikanerne er på vej til at »demarchere« i København.

USA vil med andre ord overdrage en formel protest i form af en skriftlig note: »Baseret på amerikansk efterretningsvirksomhed er man efterhånden meget bekymret over ROJ, som PKK bruger til at lave propaganda for sine terrorhandlinger samt til rekruttering,« skriver diplomaten i en e-mail, som Berlingske Tidende har fået aktindsigt i.

ROJ TV er begyndt at sende med dansk licens i 2004.

»Tyrkiet har en pointe« Diplomaten nævner også, at Tyrkiets premierminister under et besøg i USA har taget sagen op med præsident George W. Bush og udenrigsminister Condoleezza Rice, og at tyrkerne ifølge USA har »en pointe« : »Amerikanske efterretningsoplysninger peger på, at PKK efterhånden har udviklet sig til den største organiserede kriminelle organisation i Europa. PKK var nu indblandet i alt - fra prostitution og menneskesmugling til sortbørshandel. Problemet var, at PKK anvendte de indtjente midler til at gennemføre aktioner i det sydøstlige Tyrkiet. Der er efterhånden flere centre for PKK-aktive i Europa, og København var heriblandt.« To dage senere, den 28. oktober, er den tyrkiske ambassade i København vært for en reception i anledning af den tyrkiske nationaldag. En amerikansk diplomat gentager over for en dansk kollega, at USA er på vej med en kritisk note om ROJ TVs tilstedeværelse i Danmark.

Dagen efter, den 29. oktober, melder muslimske organisationer Jyllands-Posten til politiet for blasfemi og racediskrimination.

Presset tager til

Sådan fortsætter de to kriser med at krydse hinanden: På den ene side forsvarer regeringen ytringsfriheden som ukrænkelig over for muslimske lande, på den anden side er regeringen under pres fra sin nærmeste partner i kampen mod terror for at tage det ultimative indgreb i en TV-stations ytringsfrihed.

Det pres tager til den 4. november, da diplomater fra USA's ambassade møder op i Udenrigsministeriet og som bebudet afleverer en note: »Vi anmoder kraftigt den danske regering om at lukke og indefryse værdierne hos ROJ TV,« skriver amerikanerne: »I betragtning af dens opflammende programmer, dens forbindelser til andre PKK-frontorganisationer og de skridt, som andre europæiske regeringer har taget imod dens forgængere, bør disse enheder ikke nyde et safe haven i Danmark.« Notens rummer en redegørelse for Storbritanniens forbud mod det kurdiske MED TV i 1999 for opfordringer til had og Frankrigs tilsvarende forbud mod MEDYA TV i 2004. ROJ TV begyndte at sende få dage efter det franske forbud.

#### Usædvanlig hård kritik

En så hård kritik fra så tæt en allieret - i en terrorrelateret sag - er ganske usædvanlig, vurderer professor i europæisk historie Uffe Østergaard fra CBS, Handelshøjskolen i København.

»Det er overraskende, at USA har reageret så stærkt i denne sag. Givet det danske forhold til USA er det en stor ting, at Danmark ikke har gjort noget trods de amerikanske protester,« siger han.

Amerikanernes store bekymring stiger til decideret vrede få dage senere.

Den 19. november 2005 afslører Berlingske Tidende indholdet af den ellers dybt fortrolige note. Igen er der krisemøde i Udenrigsministeriet, hvor den amerikanske charge d'affaires i »stærke vendinger« beklager sig over lækagen, fremgår det af et referat fra mødet. Det er Danmarks troværdighed, der står på spil.

Amerikanerne finder »det helt overraskende, at noget sådant kunne ske i et land som Danmark,« og de spørger, »hvorledes de ville kunne formidle yderligere materiale vedrørende ROJ TV/ PKK, uden at det ville havne i pressen«. De vil også gerne vide, om ministeriet har indledt en jagt på den, der havde lækket noten.

#### En umulig sag

En embedsmand tæt på forløbet fortæller i dag, at mange i ministeriet dengang tænkte: »For pokker, skal vi nu have en krise med amerikanerne.« Sagen udstiller, at der skulle en amerikansk reprimande til, før spørgsmålet om ROJ TV blev taget alvorligt i den danske centraladministration.

Som kilden beskriver det: ROJ-sagen var »irriterende«. En sag, »som vi alle gerne havde været foruden, for den var umulig at lande på en måde, så alle var tilfredse.« Professor Uffe Østergaard mener, at forklaringen på den danske nølen er oplagt: »Man er blevet fanget af Muhammed-krisen, hvor Danmark har gjort det svært for sig selv. Kan man lukke en TV-station samtidig med, at man står stejlt på ytringsfriheden? Det er det dilemma, som Danmark er ramt midt ned i.« Nonchalant holdning Siden oktober 2005 er indløbet en stribe andre og lige så utålmodige henvendelser fra andre samarbejdspartnere i kampen mod terror.

»Man kan være venlig og fortolke det som dansk konsekvens og beslutsomhed i forhold til ytringsfriheden.

Men sagen er nok nærmere et udtryk for vaghed og ubeslutsomhed.

I værste fald et udtryk for en ligeegyldighed fra de danske myndigheders side,« siger Uffe Østergaard. Han minder om, at alarmklokkerne har ringet flere gange. Den tyrkiske premierminister Tayyip Recep Erdogan udvandrede i november 2005 fra et pressemøde i København med Anders Fogh Rasmussen i protest mod en tilstedeværende journalist fra ROJ TV. Samme Erdogan truede i fjor med et veto mod Fogh som NATO-generalsekretær.

»Så man burde måske overveje at bruge lidt flere kræfter på sagen. Der er en fornemmelse af, at Tyrkiet ikke er et stort og vigtigt land, og vi har en lidt nonchalant holdning over for Tyrkiet. Der er en solid anti-tyrkisk holdning herhjemme, så det er et nemt standpunkt at tage.

Men det er ikke et helt skønt billede, som Danmark sender til sine allierede,« fastslår Uffe Østergaard.

Er PKK terrorister?

Ekspert i international politik Peter Viggo Jakobsen fra Københavns Universitet tvivler på, at Muhammedkrisen bærer skylden, men er enig i, at der næppe er megen forståelse blandt Danmarks allierede for håndteringen af sagen mod ROJ TV.

»Det er nok snarere udtryk for, at beviserne ikke har været tungtvejende nok, og at Danmark ikke anser PKK for terrorister på linje med al-Qaeda. Opfattelsen er nok snarere, at PKK er en national selvstændighedsbevægelse, og derfor er man uenig i den hårde linje, som Tyrkiet har lagt over for PKK,« påpeger Peter Viggo Jakobsen.

Faktum er dog, at Danmark har været med til at sætte PKK på EUs terrorliste og dermed forpligtet sig til at modarbejde organisationen.

Belgien bevidst valgt

Præcis samme besked havde den daværende amerikanske viceudenrigsminister og chefkoordinator for terrorbekæmpelse, Frank Urbancic med sig, da han i 2008 besøgte Udenrigsministeriet i København.

Det er uvist, hvem han mødtes med. Derimod står det klart, at han rejste fra Danmark med fornemmelsen af, at regeringen nølede og havde et »særligt problem«. Sådan udtrykte han det nogle dage senere, da han i Ankara mødtes med tyrkiske diplomater og journalister.

Berlingske Tidende har i det amerikanske udenrigsministerium fundet et referat af mødet. Af referatet fremgår, at PKK efter amerikansk vurdering bevidst har udvalgt sig Belgien som central for sine politiske og kriminelle aktiviteter i Europa - og Danmark til TV-stationen ROJ.

»Det virker nærmest, som om PKK har en håndbog i europæisk lovgivning, og de kender ethvert hul i loven - ethvert sted hvor de ikke kan rammes på tværs af grænser.

De har fundet ud af, at de kan gå nøjagtig så langt og ikke længere i Danmark i forhold til ytringsfriheden,« forklarede Frank Urbancic.

Er danskerne ikke »ekstremt naive«, blev han spurgt: »Fordomme om Tyrkiet er det, du oplever overalt i Europa, det er virkelig noget, vi er nødt til at overvinde,« lød svaret: »Hvad angår ROJ TV specifikt, er vi overbeviste om, at det er en front for en terrororganisation, det er en propagandaarm. Danskerne kan tale for sig selv, men de har et særligt problem på grund af tegningerne, de er opsatte på ikke på nogen måde at tillade sig selv at blive set som dem, der begrænser ytringsfriheden. Og dette er et eksempel på den klogskab, jeg nævnte, hos de mennesker, som vi forsøger at modarbejde.« Den amerikanske viceudenrigsminister oplyste, at USA »bestemt opfordrede« danskerne til at komme i sving med efterforskningen imod ROJ TV.

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»Det er overraskende, at USA har reageret så stærkt i denne sag. Givet det danske forhold til USA er det en stor ting, at Danmark ikke har gjort noget trods de amerikanske protester...« UFFE ØSTERGAARD, professor i europæisk historie, CBS Handelshøjskolen i København »Vi anmoder kraftigt den danske regering om at lukke og indefryse værdierne hos ROJ TV...« Diplomater fra den amerikanske ambassade i København i en skriftlig note til Danmarks udenrigsministerium .

Fakta: Presset på ROJ TV -og Danmark

En række af Danmarks nærmeste samarbejdspartnere i kampen mod terror er langt hårdere end danskerne i deres syn på ROJ TV, der sender med dansk licens. USA, Tyskland og Belgien opfatter officielt ROJ TV som styret af PKK, der er på EUs og USAs terrorliste.

Uden for kortet USA USA afleverede i 2005 en officiel protest imod den danske sendetilladelse til ROJ TV. I 2008 var den amerikanske anti-terrorkoordinatør i Danmark for at få lukket ROJ TV: " Stationen er en del af PKK. Det er der ingen tvivl om," lød beskeden. USA 's finansministerium har sat PKK-lederen, Zübeyir Aydar, på en officiel liste over narkobagmænd. Aydar har holdt møde med ROJ TVs bestyrelsesformand, Henrik C. Winkel.

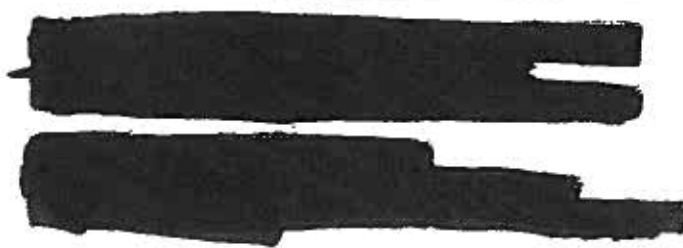
TYSKLAND Den tyske sikkerhedstjeneste rubricerer ROJ TV som propagandakanal for PKK. Det tyske indenrigsministerium forbød i 2008 modtagelse af ROJ TVs signal. Forbuddet blev ophævet i år af tysk domstol. Dommen lød, at nok var der ført bevis for, at ROJ TV kunne forbydes, men i forhold til EU-regler kan kun det land, som udsteder sendetilladelse, udstede et forbud -altså Danmark. Sagen er nu på vej til EF-Domstolen. De tyske myndigheder har for nylig rykket Danmark for, hvornår den fem år lange efterforskning mod ROJ TV er færdig.

BELGIEN Den belgiske sikkerhedstjeneste rubricerer ROJ TV som styret af PKK. Belgiske myndigheder har gennemført flere aktioner mod ROJ TVs studier uden for Bruxelles og produktionsselskabet ROJ NV, der leverer hovedparten af nyheds-og debatprogrammerne til ROJ TV. I marts blev flere anholdt -bl. a. Remzi Kartal og Zübeyir Aydar, henholdsvis formand for og eksekutivmedlem af Kongra-Gel ( PKKs officielle navn i dag). Kartal og Aydar har mødtes med bestyrelsesformand i ROJ TV, Henrik C. Winkel.

SCHWEIZ Schweiz har to gange skriftligt spurgt Radio-& TV-nævnet i Danmark, hvorfor ROJ TV ikke er forbudt. ENGLAND Briterne lukkede i 1999 MED TV -en forløber for ROJ TV -på grund af opfordringer til had ( vold og terror mod den tyrkiske stat). Har forbudt indrejse til Remzi Kartal. Kartal har mødtes med ROJ TVs bestyrelsesformand, Henrik C. Winkel.

FRANKRIG Lukkede i 2004 MEDYA TV på grund af opfordringer til had og forbindelse til PKK. Få dage senere begyndte ROJ TV at sende fra Danmark. Fransk politi anholdt i marts i år flere nuværende og tidligere ansatte i ROJ TV. Alle er løsladt igen.

TYRKIET Tyrkiets premierminister Erdogan udvandrede i 2005 fra pressemøde i København med daværende statsminister Anders Fogh Rasmussen. Det skete i protest mod tilstedeværelsen af en journalist fra ROJ TV. Erdogan truede i 2009 med et veto mod Fogh som NATOs generalsekretær med ROJ TV som primær begrundelse. Den tyrkiske ambassade har i mindst syv tilfælde siden 2004 henvendt sig til den danske regering med krav om at få lukket ROJ TV. Ambassaden har tre gange klaget til Radio-& TV-nævnet over ROJ TVs udsendelser, som ifølge tyrkerne opfordrer til had. Alle klager er blevet afvist. Den danske ambassadør i Tyrkiet er mindst én gang blevet indkaldt til samtale af den tyrkiske regering. Senest har den tyrkiske ambassadør den 5. maj i år i et møde med justitsminister Lars Barfoed (K) presset på for at få en afklaring på sagen.





**Jens Arleth Hemstra Græsholm**

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**From:** Helle Agerdal Olsen  
**Sent:** 15. april 2009 12:22  
**To:** Ankara; Søren Jacobsen (Ankara); Jesper Vahr  
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**Sendt:** 14. april 2009 16:03  
**Til:** Karl Jacobsen  
**Emne:** Fw: Sender: ROJ TV - Appel om støtte til Roj-TV

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## NOTITS

Den tyrkiske stat har på internationalt niveau forårsaget en diplomatisk skandale ved på NATO-mødet at gøre ophævelsen af vores Roj-TV's sendelicens til et stridsspørgsmål.

Den tyrkiske stat har afstedkommet en diplomatisk skandale ved at kræve ophævelse af Roj-TV's licens til gengæld for statsminister hr. Anders Fogh Rasmussens valg som NATO's Generalsekretær. Den tyrkiske stat har ikke blot gjort NATO-medlemmerne til et instrument for egne interesser men har også klart vist hvor grusomt, uretfærdigt og tyrannisk det behandler det kurdiske folk.

Den tyrkiske stat har ikke blot begrænset sig til iværksættelsen af metoder som som benægtelse, eksil, plyndring, tortur og massakrer imod kurderne men har også gjort USA og de europæiske lande til en del af forbrydelserne ved at forsøge at få lukket Roj-TV. Tyrkiet har forsøgt at overføre sin fornægtelse af kurdisk sprog og kultur på den europæiske civilisation og de demokratiske stater, der er blevet opbygget på grundlag af denne civilisation.

Den tyrkiske stat taget enhver mulig metode i anvendelse for at fjerne det kurdiske folks fundamentale ret til at sende radio og TV på sit eget sprog ved at gøre Roj-TV til et stridspunkt på NATO-mødet ved at erklære "enten lukker Roj-TV eller Mr. Rasmussen bliver ikke Generalsekretær".

Vi vil hævde, at Roj-TV som grundlag har kurdernes ret til ytringsfrihed på deres eget sprog, beskyttelse af den kurdiske kultur og opretholdelse af Asuri-Suraniernes og arabernes sprog som levende sprog, som er blevet fornægtet af den tyrkiske stat; og disse rettigheder udspringer af internationale love, fri bevidsthed og ytringsfrihed. Og nu søger man at blokere for en nations og talrige etniske minoriteters ret til informationsfrihed.

Vi må sige "**STOP**" til denne uretfærdighed, tilbagestående tænkemåde, massakrer på kurderne og deres sprog og de beskidte forbrydesler, benægtelser og afpresning foretaget af den tyrkiske stat. En lukning af Roj-TV ville være et tilbageskridt, forræderi, fornægtelse af kurderne

og ville gøre dem til et instrument for usle relationer. Vi ville ikke tillade dette at ske.

**E**n lukning af Roj-TV ville betyde, at den europæiske civilisation blev til et redskab for en antidemokratisk stat, som er blevet opbygget på minoriteters blod og massakrer på mange folkeslag, der begyndte med armenierne. Vi ville ikke tillade dette at ske.

**V**i opfordrer alle der anser sig selv for at være 'oplyste', 'demokrater' og 'et meneskeligt væsen' til ikke på grund af samarbejde med den danske regering at afvige fra internationale normer, menneskerettighederne og ytrings- og bebidsthedsfriheden.

**R**oj-TV er frihedens, rettens, proletarernes, de undertryktes og kurdernes stemme og en stemme for alle dem, der tror på

**'en anden verden er mulig'**. Vi beder derfor alle, der støtter opfordringen **'FINGRENE VÆK FRS ROJ-TV'** om at støtte denne appel.





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**RADIKAL** – April 18, 2009  
News Article by the **Ankara Office**, page 1 & 14

**Page 1:**

**'THE TARGET TOTALLY MISSED' AT THE NATO FOR THE  
SECOND TIME:  
NO PROMISE WAS MADE FOR ROJ TV**

**Just like the 'apology for the caricatures', the allegation on Roj TV to be closed has  
been void!**

**Another empty promise**

The promise, which was said to have been made for the closure of Roj TV, has also turned out to be void just as the promise allegedly made for an apology on the caricatures before Turkey approved Rasmussen's NATO position as the Secretary General. Ambassador Vahr said: "The PKK is a terror organization but Roj TV is also broadcasting under the Danish license."

**The first disillusionment**

Vahr concluded the matter in the following manner: "Just like all broadcasting companies, Roj TV is also obliged to comply with the laws of the country. So long as it complies with the laws, the government cannot annul its license." At the Alliance of Civilizations in Istanbul, Rasmussen had sufficed by saying, "we should be respectful for the beliefs".

**Page 14:**

**THE NEWS ON 'ROJ TV WOULD BE CLOSED'  
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newspapers" and "to close Roj TV". These news were covered extensively particularly in the pro-AKP media organs.

### **Rasmussen did not confirm**

However, Rasmussen who came to Istanbul for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Forum of the Alliance of Civilizations did not apologize for the caricatures on Prophet Mohammed; neither did he confirm that he had made such a promise.

On the closure of the Roj TV, Rasmussen had also conveyed ambiguous messages. The Ambassador of Denmark in Ankara, Vahr, has put the final full-stop to these allegations.

The Ambassador pointed out that they did not support the PKK and said the following: "Denmark firmly condemns the PKK as a terrorist organization. Moreover, Denmark was instrumental in ensuring that the PKK was put on the EU's terrorist list. Roj TV is broadcasting on the Danish license. The issuing of licenses to TV broadcasters serves a number of technical and administrative purposes. As in all other cases, this broadcasting license does in no way imply Danish authorities' endorsement of or support for the editorial line of the broadcaster in question. As all other TV-broadcasters, Roj TV has to abide by relevant Danish legislation. As long as it does so, the government cannot revoke a broadcasting license."

### **'The decision lies with the judiciary'**

In response to the question if there was an investigation against Roj TV, Ambassador Vahr furnished the following response: "The Danish prosecuting authorities (the public prosecution) are undertaking a criminal investigation into Roj TV. The decision on whether or not to take the matter to court rests exclusively with the prosecuting authorities. This is not a political decision. The decision of the prosecution authorities will be based on whether it is assessed that there is sufficient evidence that Roj TV is violating the Danish criminal law. If evidence can be provided that Roj TV violates the Danish criminal law, the necessary consequences will be drawn. The Danish government cannot interfere with the work of the relevant Danish authorities in an ongoing investigation."

As to the question on whether Roj TV will be closed, Vahr responded by saying: "Denmark cannot give such guarantees because this is not a political decision."

As to Turkey's membership to the EU, the Ambassador made the following assessments: "Denmark welcomes the commencement of Turkey's accession negotiations with the EU, the objective of which is Turkish membership of the EU. The Danish parliament confirmed this longstanding basic position in a vote following a debated dedicated to Turkey and the EU on March 26, 2009."

**HABER 7** - April 18, 2009  
News Article, On Line

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On April 6<sup>th</sup> Rasmussen came to Turkey and fell down the stairs of the hotel and had dislocated his arm.

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**STAR GAZETE** - April 20, 2009  
News Article, Diyarbakir Office, On Line

## **ROJ TV THREATENED, DENMARK REMAINED SILENT**

**Roj TV known for its pro-PKK broadcasts and Denmark, the centre of the caricature crisis causing uproar in the Muslim world, did not keep her promise. She remained silent towards Roj TV, broadcasting the statement of the Kurdistan People's Initiative - the side organization of the PKK - making the AKP administrators and Fetullah Gülen an open target**

The statement criticizes the recent operations directed against the DTP and briefly says: "We know the reason for the operations. The institutions belonging to the Gülen Congregation and the AKP administrators in the Kurdistan and Turkish metropolises are our open target. Every act conducted against all the administrators, the institutions and organizations affiliated with the AKP and the institutions serving for the Fetullah Gülen gang in all the metropolises of Turkey and particularly in the cities of Kurdistan are a legitimate right."

For a long time Denmark had kept her ears closed to Turkey's requests in connection with the Roj TV, which makes propaganda for the PKK - until the election for the NATO Secretary General. The former Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen, who became the Secretary General for the NATO with Turkey's approval, had said that his country would take all the measures in order to prevent terrorist acts and he had said that Roj TV would be closed.

**From:** Ole Egberg Mikkelsen  
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**To:** Jørgen Gammelgaard  
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Møller; Per Fabricius Andersen; Lisbeth Zilmer-Johns (STM); Michael Suhr; Ankara, Archive; Keld  
Christensen; Nikolaj Harris; Susan Harding-Smith; Bent Wigotski

**Subject:** Amb. Ankara – tyrkiske reaktioner på den seneste udvikling i ROJ-TV-sagen

**3:** Beslutningen om at rejse tiltale mod ROJ-TV var *breaking news* i alle tyrkiske elektroniske medier tirsdag eftermiddag og aften. Nyheden fremkom samtidig med premierminister Erdogans tv-transmitterede tale ved et stort valgmode i forbindelse med

folkeafstemningen den 12. september om forfatningsændringer. De fleste tv-kanaler bragte nyheden som *flash info* i bunden af billedet, mens transmissionen af Erdogans tale fortsatte. Nyheden blev derfor hurtigt kendt i Tyrkiet. Også i aftenens nyhedsudsendelser havde sagen en fremtrædende placering og tilsvarende her til morgen. Billeddækningen er i de fleste tilfælde interview med statsadvokaten for København og Bornholm.

**4:** Den indledende dækning af sagen er neutral og refererende og for de fleste mediers vedkommende baseret på de internationale nyhedsbureauers telegrammer eller tyrkiske korrespondenter i København, jfr. eksempelvis vedhæftede forsideartikel fra dagbladet Sabah (oversættelse til engelsk nedenfor). Den danske politiske debat om det tidsmæssige forløb af efterforskningen er ikke genstand for omtale, om end enkelte medier med overskrifter som "*Endelig!*" og "*God morgen Danmark*" nok antyder, at efterforskningen kunne have forløbet hurtigere. De politiske ledere, herunder fra det overvejende kurdiske parti BDP, har (endnu) ikke udtalt sig i sagen.

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**SABAH – September 01, 2010: News Article by Sadi Tekelioglu in Copenhagen, page 1 and Page 1: THE FIRST CASE AGAINST ROJ TV**

***For the first time Denmark has launched a closure case against ROJ TV, the media organ of the PKK, on the grounds of support for terrorism***

*The Danish Chief Public Prosecutor Nilas has indicated that the reason for the case was ROJ TV broadcasts promoting the PKK. Immediately after it was stated that the case was launched, police raided the ROJ TV headquarters. It is expected that ROJ TV broadcasts would be suspended until the case is concluded.*

Anklagemyndigheden i Koebenhavn har i dag (den 31. August) meddelt, at der er blevet aabnet en retssag mod ROJ TV, Mezopotamya TV og Mezopotamya Medie firmaet, der stoetter PKK terror organisationens aktiviteter.

I udtalelsen bekræftes det, at PKK er en terror organisationen og der bliver peget paa, at ROJ TV's udsendelser er en slags propaganda og støtte for terror organisationen PKK.

Med hensyn til den internationale bekaempelse mod terror er vi er glade for den rigtige beslutning der er taget af den danske stat, med henblik paa aabning af retssag mod PKK terror organisationens medie grupper.

Vores forventning er, at disse medie grupper der stoetter terror og opfordrer til vold, faar den straf de har fortjent i den endelige retslige procedure.

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#### AÇIKLAMA

Kopenhag Bölge Bassavciligi tarafından bugün (31 Agustus) yapılan açıklamada, PKK terör örgütünün faaliyetlerini tesvik ettikleri gerekçesiyle ROJ TV ve Mezopotamya TV ile bu kanallari bünyesinde bulunduran Mezopotamya Yayıncılık Sirketi'ne karsi dava açıldığı bildirilmektedir. Açıklamada, PKK'nin terör örgütü vasfi teyid edilerek, ROJ TV yayınlarınınin PKK'yi destekleyen propaganda niteligine isaret edilmektedir.

Danimarka Hükümetinin, terörizmle mücadele alanındaki uluslararası yükümlülüklerine de uygun olarak, PKK terör örgütünün yayın organlari aleyhinde dava açılması yönündeki isabetli kararini memnuniyetle karsiliyoruz.

Izlenecek hukuki süreç sonunda, terörü destekleyen ve siddet kullanımını tesvik eden bu yayın organlarınınin hak ettikleri cezaya çarptirilmesini beklemekteyiz.



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## **Seize Roj TV**

### **New Initiative from the Copenhagen Prosecutor's Office**

In a surprise move yesterday evening, the Copenhagen Prosecutor's Office demanded that Roj TV, the mouthpiece of the PKK in Europe, cease broadcasts at once and that all assets of the Mesopotamia Broadcasting company, which is connected to Roj TV, be seized. In a writ to the court, the Copenhagen Prosecutor's Office argued that interviews and footage of attacks broadcast on Roj TV supports the PKK and encourages people to join the organization. The same prosecutor's office had seized all bank accounts of Roj TV on August 30.

### **Interesting Timing**

Roj TV broadcasts under a license issued by Denmark. Turkey had asked Denmark through several initiatives to stop Roj TV broadcasts, but had failed to get a result. Interestingly, the move by the Copenhagen Prosecutor's Office followed Turkish efforts on the international arena -- both by ministers and the undersecretary of MIT (the Turkish secret service) -- to disband the PKK. It was also noted that the prosecutor's decision came before NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen's visit to Turkey on October 7 during which he will discuss the fight against terrorism. When Turkey approved Rasmussen as secretary general at the NATO summit last year, it listed as conditions the appointment of a Turkish deputy secretary-general and the closure of Roj TV by Denmark.

### **Claims of Danish prosecutor in Turkey**

Meantime, there are claims that a Danish prosecutor (\*) investigating Roj TV is in Turkey and has met both Turkish judicial officials as well as PKK members-turned-informers.

(\*) Translator's note: The word used in the Hurriyet article is **avci**, which means "hunter". I believe it is a typo and that the intended word is actually **savci**, which means "prosecutor"

# Roj TV'ye el konulsun

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sürpriz bir girişimde bulunarak, PKK'nın Avrupa'daki yayın organı olan Roj TV'nin yayınlarının derhal durdurulması ve bu televizyonun bağlı olduğu Mezopotamya Yayın Kuruluşu'nun tüm mal varlıklarına el konulmasını talep etti. Kopenhag Savcılığı'nın mahkemeye gönderdiği yazıda Roj TV'de yayınlanan röportajlar ve saldırı görüntüleriyle terörizme destek olunduğu ve PKK'ya katılımın teşvik edildiği dile getirildi. Aynı savcılık 30 Ağustos'ta da Roj TV'nin hesaplarına el koymuştu.

## İlginç zamanlama

Roj TV, Danimarka'nın verdiği lisansla yayın yapıyor. Türkiye, Danimarka nezdinde defalarca yaptığı girişimlerle Roj TV'nin yayınlarının durdurulmasını talep etmiş ancak bir türlü sonuç alamamıştı. Kopenhag

**Kopenhag  
Savcılığı'ndan  
yeni girişim**

Savcılığı'nın bu girişiminin, Türkiye'nin PKK'nın tasfiye edilmesi için hem bakanlar hem de

MIT Müsteşarı düzeyinde yürüttüğü uluslararası girişimlerden sonra gelmesi dikkat çekti. Savcılığın kararının, 7 Ekim'de Türkiye'ye gelecek ve terörizmle mücadeleyi de görüşecek olan NATO'nun Danimarkalı Genel Sekreteri Anders Fogh Rasmussen'in ziyareti öncesine denk gelmesi de anlamlı bulundu. Türkiye geçen yılki NATO Zirvesi'nde Rasmussen'in genel sekreterliğine onay verirken, bir Türk genel sekreter yardımcısının seçilmesinin yanı sıra Danimarka'nın Roj TV'yi kapatması şartını da ortaya koymuştu.

## Türkiye'de iddiası

Bu arada Roj TV'yle ilgili araştırma yapan Danimarkalı bir avcının Türkiye'de olduğu, Türk adli makamlarının yanı sıra PKK itirafçılarıyla da görüştüğü ileri sürüldü.