

# Amnesty International Southend Group

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## HAKAN YAMAN, TURKEY BEATEN, BURNED AND LEFT FOR DEAD

On 3 June 2013 Hakan Yaman was walking home from work in Istanbul when he passed a public demonstration against police violence in Gezi Park. Within moments, he was caught up in a brutal attack by police officers. He was sprayed by water cannon, repeatedly beaten in the head, and one officer gouged his eye out. He says: 'I heard one of them say "This one is finished, lets completely finish him off." They dragged me and threw me on to a fire.'

He has suffered severe and life changing injuries, including losing one eye and, as a result, his job as a mini bus driver.

Hakan Yaman has lodged a criminal complaint for attempted murder. However, no officers have yet been brought to justice despite video evidence captured by witnesses.

Go to <https://www.amnesty.org.uk/blogs/country-specialists/hakan-yaman---three-years-justice-delayed-justice-denied> for more details

### SEND AN APPEAL LETTER

**Urge the Prime Minister and Minister of Interior to ensure an effective and impartial investigation of the attack on Hakan Yaman.** Briefly outline what happened to Hakan Yaman and the severity of his injuries. Express concern at delays in the prosecutor's investigation. Call on the Minister to ensure the full co-operation of the security directorates and individual police officers with the investigation, so that the officers responsible can be identified and brought to justice.

#### Write to:

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**Twitter** @TC\_Basbakan, @BAYildirim

**Salutation:** Dear Minister

Mr Suleyman Soylu  
Minister of Interior  
İçişleri Bakanlıği  
Bakanlıklar  
Ankara, Turkey

**Fax:** +90 312 425 8509

**Twitter** @efkanala

**Salutation:** Dear Minister

### SEND A SOLIDARITY CARD TO:

Hakan Yaman  
c/o Amnesty International Turkey/Uluslararası Af Örgütü  
Hamalbası Cd. No 22  
Dükkan 2-D2-D3-D4  
34425 Beyoglu/Istanbul  
Turkey

**Preferred language** Turkish

**Salutation** Dear Hakan

**Suggested message** Wishing you a quick recovery and thinking of you.

**Additional information** Hakan is a Formula 1 fan.

### CAN I

Send a religious card or message? **Yes**

Send an Amnesty card or mention Amnesty? **Yes**

Include my name and address? **No**

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