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President Jimmy Carter
Jimmy Carter Center
453 Freedom Parkway
Atlanta, Georgia 30307

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Dear President Carter:

As you know, the Kurdish people's human rights have been violated by various governments for many decades. As the president of the Kurdish National Congress of North America, I am reaching out to men and women of peace who can help us with promoting liberty, justice, and equality for all including the Kurdish people.

I am reaching out to you because you are a symbol of peace and humane politics. As a leader of the free world you have done a great service for humanity. You became a rightful winner of a Noble Prize because of what you stand for.

Another reason I am reaching out to you is because of a correspondence with my friend, Professor Michael Gunter, a political scientist and a board member of the EU Turkey Civic Commission (EUTCC). Professor Gunter believes you are an ideal American leader who can help the EUTCC as a patron.

For the past few years, EUTCC has been working hard to push Turkey toward further democratization and granting the Kurdish people their rights. In the past other international leaders for peace such as Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu and Dr. Shirin Ebadi have been instrumental in supporting the Kurdish cause as EUTCC patrons during the annual conference.

Abolishing slavery, supporting gender equality, ending dictatorships around the world, and many other changes for better would not have been possible without the leadership of the United States. The Kurdish suffering too will sooner or later end. However, it will be expedited if the Kurds have the support of a great American leader such as yourself.

I hope this year the Kurdish people have the honor of having your support as a patron at EUTCC's annual conference. I will be glad to visit you in person and explain to you the importance of such support for the Kurdish people.

Sincerely,

Kamal Artin, MD
President, Kurdish National Congress of North America