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State of emergency: proportionality issues concerning derogations under Article 15 of the European Convention on Human Rights

Amendment¹ No. 1

In the draft resolution, at the end of paragraph 17, insert the following sentence:

"The Assembly is particularly concerned by the fact that on 18 April 2018, the President of Turkey called for the presidential and parliamentary elections, previously expected in November 2019, to be brought forward to 24 June 2018, just hours before the Turkish parliament renewed the state of emergency for a further three months. In this respect, the Assembly recalls the clear position of the Venice Commission against the holding of elections or referenda under a state of emergency, when normal democratic freedoms may be severely restricted, as is currently the case in Turkey."

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