Report from Baskent Unversity following the devastating earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria

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Dear Colleagues,

Following the devastating earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria on Monday, February 6, 2023, more than 34000 people have lost their lives and tens of thousands have been injured. Relief efforts are ongoing one week after the quake struck and aid campaigns are being organized from all over Turkey and the world.

As Baskent University, we are in deep sorrow due to the earthquake disaster in our homeland Turkey and we try to help the victims of this tragedy hoping to relieve their grief to some extent. Our clinics were not damaged but a number of hospitals were damaged in the earthquake. Therefore, around 400 patients have been brought to three hospitals and dialysis centers of Baskent University Hospitals located in Adana. Our teams are working very hard to deliver medical/primary care since the beginning of this tragedy.

In addition to the medical aid by our doctors and emergency medicine specialists, 12,5 tons of dairy products as well as a convoy of 11 aid trucks loaded with clothing, hygiene materials and heavy-lifting construction equipment needed for the rescue efforts were immediately sent to the earthquake zone. We are going through very difficult times and it is very pleasing to receive a helping hand from our colleagues in the medical community, governments and international organizations across the globe.

We hope to ease the unspeakable pains and heal the wounds with the strength of solidarity and we are grateful to all who has shown solidarity with Turkey and Syria.

Yours Sincerely,

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Deadly quake strikes Turkey and Syria



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Baskent University students during preparations of aid supplies



Professor Haberal during preparations of aid supplies



12,5 tons of dairy products produced by Baskent Univeristy were sent to the reigon



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The 10th truck that was sent to the earthquake zone



Patients who were brought to Baskent University Adana Hospitals and dialysis centers



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Professor Haberal with doctors during his visit to Baskent University Adana Hospitals where hundreds of injured people were brought

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