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Treaty

on Friendship and Cooperation

between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Turkey

The Republic of Poland and the Republic of Turkey, hereinafter referred to as "The Parties"

- desirous of developing the mutual bonds of long-standing diplomatic relations, cooperation and friendship between the two Nations,
- confirming their commitment to all bilateral instruments which remain in force, particularly to the Treaty of Friendship between Poland and Turkey of 23 July, 1923,
- emphasizing their will to supplement that Treaty by a new instrument suited to contemporary needs,
- convinced of the necessity to respect the principles of democracy and justice and to promote and put into effect human rights and fundamental freedoms,
- determined to strengthen peace, stability, security and cooperation in Europe,
- conscious of the significant role played by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the Western European Union in the sphere of security in Europe,
- faithful to international law, and in particular to the Charter of the United Nations,

- recognizing the fundamental importance of the provisions of the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe of 1 August, 1975, the Charter of Paris for a New Europe of 21 November, 1990, and other documents of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe,

have agreed as follows:

Article 1

- 1. The Parties assume the commitment to strengthen friendship and cooperation and to deepen the understanding and confidence which exist between them.
- 2. In their mutual relations the Parties shall act in accordance with the principles of sovereign equality, prohibition of the threat or use of force, inviolability of frontiers, territorial integrity of states, peaceful settlement of disputes, non-intervention in internal affairs, respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms, and equality of rights of peoples and their right to self-determination.

Article 2

1. The Parties shall strive to strengthen international stability, security and cooperation, particularly in Europe. They shall promote the effective functioning of interlocking European and transatlantic institutions and mechanisms of security and confidence building. The Parties shall also cooperate with respect to the elaboration of further measures on bilateral and regional basis.

- 2. The Parties shall cooperate to reach the lowest possible level of military forces and equipment in Europe with a view to eliminating the potential for military aggression while preserving legitimate defense and security requirements of States in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations.
- 3. The Parties shall act jointly for the purpose of strengthening international mechanisms aimed at non-proliferation and elimination of all weapons of mass destruction and for the purpose of promoting universal adherence to, and full implementation of, those mechanisms.

Article 3

- 1. The Parties shall strive to transform Europe permanently into a continent where human rights and fundamental freedoms as well as the basic principles of democracy and justice are respected. To attain this goal they shall cooperate within the framework of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Council of Europe and other international organizations.
- 2. The Parties shall act in behalf of abolishing the differences in development which divide Europe and transforming the European Continent into an area of common welfare and cooperation.

Article 4

The Parties shall conduct regular consultations on different levels to ensure further development and deepening of bilateral relations. These consultations will particularly deal with European and regional security.

Article 5

The Parties shall support direct contacts between parliaments, political parties, associations, economic organizations and trade unions.

Article 6

The Parties shall promote cooperation between their local administrative bodies and shall encourage the twinning of their towns.

Article 7

The Parties shall enhance development of cultural cooperation. The Parties shall provide special care for the historical and cultural places which are related to the history and traditions of the other Party.