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Dear Çiğdem

On behalf of the European Federation of Nurses Associations we wish to offer our profound condolences and sympathy on behalf of our 36 National Nursing Associations to the citizens of Turkey who are experiencing the aftermath of the devastating earthquakes.

It is with a heavy heart we observe the humanitarian crisis evolve with unimaginable impact on the citizens of Turkey and nurses who are providing exceptional assistance against the challenging backdrop of this incredible humanitarian disaster and the unprecedented loss of life and human suffering.

The European Federation of Nurses Association is in solidarity with nurses in Turkey will endeavour to support the Association in every way possible during these challenging and difficult times. All of our thoughts are with those who have lost loved ones and those have been injured, and we send our support to all nurses and emergency services who continue with the work of rescuing and protection of those impacted by these terrible tragedies.

It is recognised that nurses are delivering optimal care against unprecedented pressures and limited resources with selfless compassion to the most vulnerable, insecure and traumatise citizens of Türkiye at one of the darkest times in our lifetime.

EFN wishes to assure all nurses and citizens of Turkey that we are offering them our solidarity and support at this time.

Elizabeth Adams  
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