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ETUCE Bureau Solidarity Statement to Egitim-Sen

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of ETUCE, we – the members of the ETUCE Bureau - extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to all those affected by the devastating earthquake of a 7.8 magnitude which occurred in the Pazarcık district of Kahramanmaraş yesterday morning, followed by the second 7.6 magnitude earthquake that struck later the same day and in the same region.

Our thoughts and condolences go out to the families of those who have tragically passed and with those who are recovering from injuries.

We stand with you in this difficult time.

We are informed of the damage caused to buildings, some of which have been destroyed. The search and rescue activities are ongoing, and we express our sincere hopes that more of your citizens will be found safe.

We strongly acknowledge and admire the immense strength and courage you and your affiliates are demonstrating in the face of such a catastrophe. We stand in solidarity with you and are ready to offer any support and assistance required.

In this challenging time, unity is strength.

In solidarity,

ETUCE Bureau

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