

## CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

### NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Turkey

**DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED** (the date of establishment is the date in this parliamentary session that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition. All Groups should hold their AGMs on, or before, the anniversary of this date.)

10 February 2014

### DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM

3 February 2015

**DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 12 months of the previous AGM]**

N/A

### DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED

13 March 2015

### GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Please provide details of each meeting of the Group including the date of the meeting, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and the MSP and non-MSP attendance figures.

Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.

#### **20 August 2014**

Attendance: 4 MSPs, 26 Non-MSPs

#### Topics Discussed:

Turkish Scottish relations, business and political Links between Turkey and Scotland and importance of economic and cultural links.

Guest Speakers:

H. E. Ambassador of Republic of Turkey Abdurrahman Bilgic  
Humza Yousaf, Minister for External Affairs and International Development  
Garry Clark, Head of Policy and Public Affairs of Scottish Chambers of Commerce

**16 December 2014**

Attendance: 3 MSPs, 14 Non-MSPS

Topics Discussed:

Works of Education Sub-Group, Business Sub-Group and Parliamentary Sub-Groups.

Guest Speaker:

Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Infra structure, Investment and Cities

**3 February 2015**

AGM: The group elected the following office bearers.

Convener: James Dornan MSP

Deputy Convener: Gordon MacDonald MSP

Deputy Convener: Hanzala Malik, MSP

Attendance: 3 MSPs, 6 non-MSPs

**MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

James Dornan MSP, SNP

Gordon MacDonald MSP, SNP

Colin Beattie MSP, SNP

Richard Lyle, MSP, SNP

Hanzala Malik, MSP, Labour

Mary Scanlon, MSP, Conservative

**NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP**

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Sitki Nalci – Secretary  
Cllr Yen Hongmei Jin  
Professor Umit Bititci  
Serhat Sari  
Mehmet Mertcan  
Dr Can Ozkan  
Dr Ufuk Gucbilmez  
Erhan Tatar  
Serkan Aydin  
Akif Suzme

	Dogan Kaya Savas Ekinli Mehmet Akdeniz Professor Ayse Goker Murat Ozkok Tevfik Kanber Atilla Boyla John Clifford Nazmi Okan Hasan Bakimci Seref Zengin Judy Ozkan Craig Egnor Dr Chris Ferrard Garry Clark Peter Jeal Nick Soper Burhan Bekar Susan Fountain Erdogan Bayraktar Duygu Duman Ahmet Dursun
Organisations	Embassy of the Republic of Turkey Turkish Consulate General in Edinburgh Turkish Scottish Chamber of Commerce and Industry Scottish Chambers of Commerce Turkish Airlines, Scotland Edinburgh Turkish Cultural Association Speak Turkish Association Dumfries and Galloway Multicultural Association Scottish Council for Development and Industry Skyscanner
<p><b>GROUP OFFICE BEARERS</b></p> <p>Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.</p>	
Convener	James Dornan MSP
Deputy Convener	Gordon MacDonald MSP & Hanzala Malik MSP

Secretary	Sitki Nalci
Treasurer	N/A

**FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) received from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

Details of material support should include the name of the individual providing support, the value of this support over the year, an estimate of the time spent providing this support and the name of the organisation that this individual is employed by / affiliated to in providing this support.

Groups should provide details of the date on which the benefit was received, the value of the benefit and a brief description of the benefit.

If the Group is not disclosing any financial information please tick the box to confirm that the Group has considered the support received, but concluded it totalled under the threshold for disclosure (£500).

**SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP**

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

N/A

**CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS**

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