

# Turkey's Military Bows to the Politicians

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## Soner Cagaptay and Ata Akiner examine the political and military implications of Turkey's new order since the military resignations of July 2011.

**W**hen Turkey's military high command resigned en masse in July 2011, it was the culmination of a four-year campaign by the leading Justice and Development Party to gain political ascendance. Soner Cagaptay and Ata Akiner examine the political and military implications of the new order.

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