

Soner Cagaptay on CNN-Turk

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Soner Cagaptay appeared on CNN-Turk's Burasi Washington, ("This Is Washington") on October 15. In an extended interview with CNN-Turk correspondent Yasemin Congar, Mr. Cagaptay discussed issues of critical importance to U.S.-Turkish relations. These included secularism in Turkey, terrorist activity by the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) in northern Iraq, and the role of Joseph Ralston, the U.S. special envoy for countering the PKK. He also discussed the increased sectarian violence in Iraq and future of Kirkuk.

Read (<http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/opedsPDFs/4533e43930463.pdf>) a transcript in Turkish of the interview (PDF). ❖

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