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## Developments within the Period

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### **a. In Turkey:**

#### **(1) Facebook to contact 87 million users affected by data breach**

On April 2018, Facebook said the data of up to 87 million people was improperly shared with the data firm Cambridge Analytica. Facebook says it's hired a forensics team to investigate Cambridge Analytica. Facebook's CEO, Mark Zuckerberg, says he's "sorry" for Facebook's role and would be open to regulation.

#### **(2) Major blow to terrorist organization**

In the operations conducted by gendarmerie forces of Agri province in Agri Mountain region in eastern Turkey from April 6-16, 2018, totally 16 terrorists have been rendered ineffective. It is reported that, there are senior PKK terrorists, who were in the red and blue category of Interior Ministry's list of wanted terrorists, among the 16.

#### **(3) Major blow to PKK at Mt. Amanos**

Governorship of Hatay made a statement about the operations against PKK terrorist organization at Mt. Amanos between November 20, 2017 and April 16, 2018. 29 terrorists, including so-called seniors in red, blue, orange and grey list of Interior Ministry, have been rendered ineffective.



#### (4) Anti-narcotics operation in Muğla

1.1 tone of cannabis sativa, worth 25 millions TL, was seized in the joint operation of İstanbul and Muğla police in Muğla after a 6 month track.

#### (5) Lawmakers approve early elections

On April 20, 2018, Turkey's parliament has approved holding the country's presidential and parliamentary elections a year-and-half early. Legislators voted overwhelmingly in favor of holding the elections on June 24.

#### (6) Operations against ISIS terrorist organization

- On April 04, 2018, **İstanbul** Anti-Terrorism Branch launched an operation simultaneously at 7 addresses in 5 districts in İstanbul. 2 ISIS suspects have been detained by court.
- On April 05, 2018, 14 suspects caught in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization's human smuggling cell in **İstanbul**.
- On April 05, 2018, 3 ISIS and PKK/YPG terrorists caught in the operation launched at Akçakale district of **Şanlıurfa**.
- On April 11, 2018, 15 foreign national origined suspects have been detained in the simultaneous operations at 8 districts in **İstanbul**.
- On April 11, 2018, 7 suspects, were taken into custody in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Adana**.
- On April 13, 2018, 1 suspect, who was taken into custody before for being a member of ISIS terrorist organization in Şarkikaraağaç district of **Isparta**, have been arrested.

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## Developments within the Period



- On April 13, 2018, Anti-Terrorism Branch launched an operation against ISIS terrorist operation in **Adana**. 8 suspects have been taken into custody.
- On April 13, 2018, 3 Iraqi suspects have been taken into custody for allegedly being member of ISIS terrorist organization in **Samsun**.
- On April 13, 2018, 2 suspects have been detained in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Edirne**.
- On April 14, 2018, 10 suspects, including the allegedly senior leaders, have been detained in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Eskişehir**.
- On April 14, 2018, 8 suspects have been taken into custody in the simultaneous operations against ISIS terrorist organization in **İzmir**.
- On April 14, 2018, Mehmet Abitoğlu, codenamed Ebu Eymen, who was sought on the "green" terror suspects list, have been arrested in **Hatay**.
- On April 16, 2018, 2 Syrian and 2 Iraqi nationals have been arrested in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Sakarya**.

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- On April 16, 2018, 2 suspects have been arrested and sent to jail after the operation to reveal the ISIS terrorist organization's activities in **Gaziantep**.
- On April 19, 2018, 10 suspects, who were taken into custody in the operation against ISIS in **Kocaeli**, have been sent to court.
- On April 20, 2018, 17 foreign nationals have been detained in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Istanbul**.
- On April 20, 2018, 1 of the 3 suspects has been detained in the operation against ISIS in **Adiyaman**.
- On April 20, 2018, a Syrian suspect has been detained in the operation against ISIS terrorist organization in **Kocaeli**.

## **b. In the World:**

### **(1) Terror attack in Afghanistan**

On April 22, 2018, Afghanistan's capital Kabul became the target of the terrorist attack. At least 57 people were killed and 119 injured in the suicide attack.

It is estimated that, the attack targetted the voting registration center, which was formed for postponed parliamentary elections and planned to be hold in October.

ISIS terrorist organization has claimed the responsibility.

## 2 Cross-border Operations

### a. Turkish Armed Forces' Afrin Operation

The operation "Olive Branch" that Turkish Armed Forces has started to launch in order to provide security and stability along the borders and in the region by neutralizing the terrorists belonging to PKK/PYD-YPG and ISIS terrorist organizations in Afrin region in the north-western part of Syria is going on within the scope of humanitarian aid and mine cleaning.

The General Staff has announced that;

"The operation is based on the rights of our country arising from international law, the decisions of the United Nations Security Council against terrorism, in particular, numbered 1624 (2005), 2170 (2014) and 2178 (2014), and in the framework of the Legislative Defense Act of the 51st article of the UN Convention. It is also conducted respectfully to the territorial integrity of Syria.

The necessary support is provided by Turkish Armed Forces for the arrival of humanitarian aid supplied by the Red Crescent, AFAD and UN to the region and support continues to restore normal standards of life in Afrin."

In addition, 4254 terrorists have been rendered ineffective from the beginning of operation.

### b. Air operation from Turkish Armed Forces

On April 05, 2018, 14 terrorists have been rendered ineffective and 13 targets destroyed in the air operation launched at Hakurk region of Iraq. Within the scope of ongoing operations, totally 89 terrorists have been rendered ineffective.



\*Compiled within the framework of information obtained from open sources. It is informative only.

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### Security Assessment

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The security sensitivities in the neighborhoods of Hatay and Kilis, especially in Reyhanlı, that occurred due to the rocket attacks by the members of the terrorist organization, has lessened compared to the previous period.

Within the scope of operations carried out against ISIS terrorist organization in Turkey, the detention of the members of the organization continues intensively. **Especially, it is observed that the detentions are mostly in İstanbul and Kocaeli.** It has been assessed that; though the ISIS terrorist organization has lost the control of most of the areas dominated in Iraq and Syria, it continues to carry out attacks especially in those countries. Besides, the ISIS affiliates and members may also carry out attacks that attract the attention of international public opinion.

On the other hand, it has been assessed that;

The operations of the security forces in the Eastern and Southeastern Anatolia regions towards the PKK terrorist organization continue. As the senior leaders of the organization in the Ministry of Interior's list of wanted terrorists detained recently, the PKK terrorist organization may continue its attacks primarily towards the police and military units in order to interrupt the ongoing operations.

**In addition, due to the fact that there are certain special days in May such as May 1 commemorations and the anniversary of the Gezi Park events on May 27, when it is taken into consideration that certain marches and commemoration events will be organized on these days, it is assessed that these days will be critical.**

**And, it is estimated that the security sensitivities will be high in May and June, since the early elections will be held on 24 June.**

The developments related to these sensitivities will be followed by us and the necessary information will be shared via SMS and e-mail when needed.

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## Statistical Information Concerning the April 2018 Period:

### a. Terror Operations;

According to the weekly reports published by Ministry of Interior about the operations within the country;

- Between March 26 - April 02, 2018; 49 PKK/KCK members, 10 ISIS members, 2 HAYYAT TAHRIR AL-SHAM members,
- Between April 02-09, 2018; 36 PKK/KCK members, 5 ISIS members, 2 EL-NUSRA members,
- Between April 09-16, 2018; 29 PKK/KCK members, 9 ISIS members
- Between April 16-23, 2018; 28 PKK/KCK members, 11 ISIS members, 3 EL-NUSRA members

Totally **184 terrorists** have been rendered ineffective.

In addition;

- Between March 26 - April 02, 2018; 206 PKK/KCK members, 19 ISIS members, 13 FAR LEFT members,
- Between April 02-09, 2018; 244 PKK/KCK members, 28 ISIS members, 9 FAR LEFT members,
- Between April 09-16, 2018; 149 PKK/KCK members, 75 ISIS members, 21 FAR LEFT members,
- Between April 16-23, 2018; 131 PKK/KCK members, 47 ISIS members, 12 FAR LEFT members,


Totally **954 suspects** have been arrested.



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## b. Public Order Operations;


Between March 26-April 23, 2018, in the **10.616** operations conducted to fight against "Drug and Smuggling";

 **5.574 kg** Marijuana

 **52,8 kg** Methamphetamine

 **1.656 kg** Heroin

 **1.819.568 pieces** Tablet drugs

 **63,2 kg** Cocaine

 **63.427** Cannabis plant

 **47,3 kg** Synthetic cannabinoid substance

 **1.782.628 pieces** smuggled tobacco

 **358.594 liter** fuel oil

were seized.

Within the scope of the operations, **14.579** people were taken into custody.

\* [www.icisleri.gov.tr](http://www.icisleri.gov.tr)



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## 5 Important Days and Weeks in May:

DATE	INCIDENT
May 01	Labour Day
May 04-10	Occupational Health and Safety Week
May 10-16	Week of Disabled People
May 19	The Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day
May 11, 2013	Reyhanlı Attack (52 death, 155 injured)
May 27, 2013	The Gezi Park Protests
May 12, 2016	Diyarbakır, Sur Attack (PKK, 16 death, 23 injured)
May 23, 2017	Britain, Concert Attack (ISIS / 22 death, 59 injured)
May 31, 2017	Afghanistan, Kabul Attack (ISIS / 80 death, 350 injured)

In addition to the days such as May 01 Labour Day and May 27 due to the anniversary of Gezi Park protests in May, it is assessed that this period will maintain its sensitivity and criticality in terms of security due to operations especially against the PKK and ISIS terrorist organizations within the country.

On the other hand,

Workers and Civil Servants' Confederations will celebrate Labour Day in different cities on May 1;

- **DİSK (Confederation of Progressive Trade Unions);** İstanbul/Maltepe,
- **Türk-İş (Confederation of Turkish Trade Unions);** Hatay,
- **Hak-İş (Trade Union Confederation);** Adana,
- **Memur-Sen (Confederation of Public Servants Trade);** Kocaeli,
- **Turkey Kamu-Sen (Confederation of Public Servants of Turkey);** will visit Anıtkabir in Ankara.

### Additional Measures:

The measures to be taken in addition to the existing measures will be announced to you in addition to the "Securitas Security Assessment" by our relevant Branch Manager taking into account the sensitivity of the period.

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## **Integrating Security Officers and Security Entrances**

Maintaining a secure entrance is an essential part of overall building security, and many enterprises are employing security officers to guard their entrances and exits and to manage traffic flow. Hiring a security professional who is trained to secure an enterprise while being welcoming and helpful to tenants and guests can deter many crimes and provide peace of mind. In addition, security officers are your critical first responders, should something go wrong.

Yet, security officers can easily be distracted while executing daily responsibilities as commonplace as engaging visitors and employees. Alarm fatigue can also be a factor; if a security officer repeatedly receives false alarms, they can tune them out or turn them off. Thanks to the proliferation of smartphones, says research by Statistic Brain, the average attention span of an adult person is 8.25 seconds. That number is down from 12 seconds, which was the average attention span in the year 2000. While that may not necessarily apply to every member of your security team, it could potentially leave your enterprise open to unknown risks and an inability to mitigate those risks.

A complete physical security plan for your enterprise's entrances and exits should consist of a balance between technology, education and manpower.

There are multiple types of security entrance solutions for different applications, industries and levels of security. They all integrate

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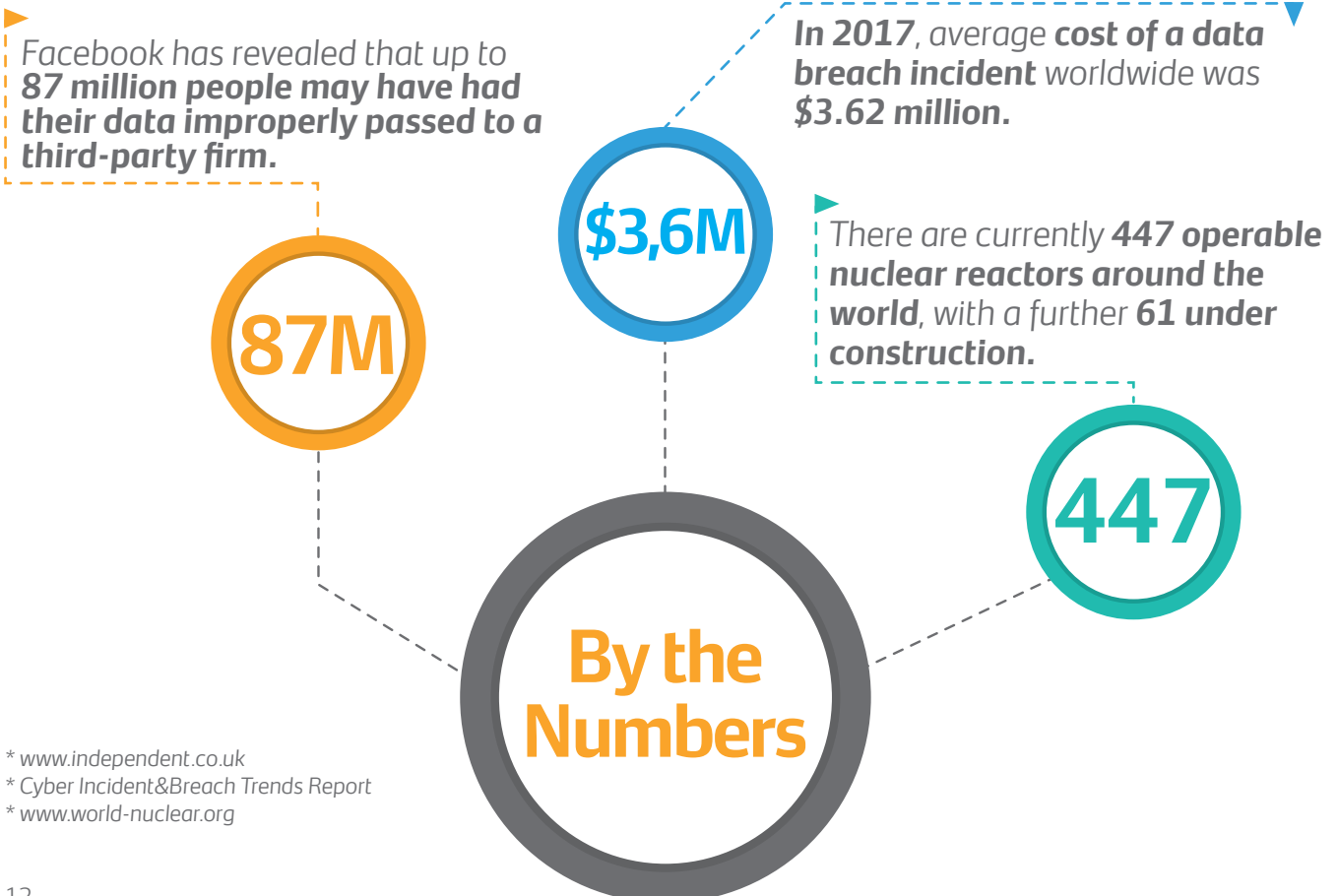
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easily with access control systems and most also work very well with biometric verification technologies to ensure the identity of the user. When researching which security entrance to employ, it's important to first identify your goal. Waist-high turnstiles, Full-height turnstiles, Optical turnstiles, Security revolving doors and mantrap portals are some security entrance solutions.

Professional security officers are an essential component of a physical security plan, but should be considered one component in an integrated solution. Security entrances help ensure the best use of security officers' physical presence to not only monitor activities, but also register visitors, train employees on proper security procedures and handle other critical tasks. Security entrances deter casual intrusion, accurately record entry transactions, never take a day off, can't be distracted, won't suffer from alarm fatigue, and will always be alert and aware.

When deployed in combination with well-trained and professional security officers, security entrances create an added layer of physical security that is highly reliable with multiple checkpoints, to ensure a secure work environment

\*www.securitymagazine.com



\* www.independent.co.uk  
\* Cyber Incident&Breach Trends Report  
\* www.world-nuclear.org

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### Securitas Guidelines for Secure Life

#### Measures to Take while Driving

Any person may be the target of security-threatening events while in a vehicle. This part provides points of consideration for persons sitting in or driving vehicles.

##### What to Do:

1. Keep all doors locked while parked or driving.
2. Be careful about stop signs and red lights.
3. Be ready to move away from the spot or honk your horn in case of danger.
4. Make sure that you keep the necessary equipment in the vehicle and have a full tank at all times. (Inflated spare tyre, one litre of drinking water, a folding shovel, first-aid kit, repair kit, lifting jack, signal lamp and transmission cable, etc.)
5. Before leaving your vehicle, check if there are any suspicious persons around the car.
6. If you have the possibility to park your vehicle in a parking lot or a garage, do not use streets for parking.
7. Check the surroundings and inside of your vehicle before getting in.
8. Make sure that all doors are locked before leaving your vehicle.

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### Securitas Guidelines for Secure Life

#### What Not to Do:

1. Driving on or parking your vehicle in a desolate place if you suspect that you are being followed. (In this situation, return to crowded streets. If the vehicle is still following you, go to the closest police station or any other spot where you can get help.)
2. Panicking when someone tries to force you out of the road. (The best thing to do in this situation is to honk the horn for a while to attract attention. If you are still being forced out of the road although you have stopped the car, put the car into the reverse gear and tries to move away from there.)
3. Taking a stranger into your vehicle.

#### We Celebrate;

**May 01, Labour Day,**

**May 19, The Commemoration of Atatürk, Youth and Sports Day,**

**And wish you safe and healthy days.**

**Best Regards.**





