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Introduction: About DRK

DRK is a Risk Consultancy and Security Management Company. DRK is one of the limited numbers of security consultation companies in Turkey, but surely the unique one having the widest range of service categories from corporate to individual services including the Business Continuity practices as well.

DRK's main effort is to satisfy the client's security needs and to figure out how to form an appropriate security system design. As such, DRK's ultimate aim is to ensure the resilience of its clients through forming a holistic approach called "True System Security Architecture", with providing comprehensive, detailed risk analysis and security consultancy. DRK prepares analysis encompassing the current and future security parameters of any project such as Integrated Security System in Free Trade Zone.

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- Turkey's Strategic Positioning Amidst the Rising Tension with the United States
- Designating Turkey's Security Concerns in Syria: Ongoing Conflict in Idlib
- Unlawful Referendum Attempt of Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) and Its Implications
- Turkey - NATO Relations; Perspectives for the Future

Case Study & Insights

- A Strategic Target: Oil and Gas Pipelines
- The Increasing Tension Between Iran and S. Arabia and Its Possible Implications for Global Business
- Possible Business - Wise Repercussions of a Potential Turkish Army intervention into Afrin Region in Northern Syria
- PKK-PYD-ISIS, Interactions; Future Possibilities on the Regional Terrorism Developments

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Regional Developments

Errant missile from Syria-Israel clash lands on Cyprus: An errant missile struck Cyprus, skimming the densely populated capital Nicosia and crashing on a mountainside in what authorities described as a spillover from strikes between Israel and Syria.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-cyprus-crash/errant-missile-from-syria-israel-clash-lands-on-cyprus-idUSKCN1TW15V>

Accessed on July 1, 2019

TANAP pipeline comes online, a major piece in Europe's energy puzzle: The Trans Anatolian Natural Gas Pipeline (TANAP) is ready to deliver Azerbaijani gas to Europe via Turkey, creating a new alternative to Russian gas as European countries seek to diversify supplies and boost their energy security. The second phase of TANAP running to Turkey's border with Greece was ready to start operations as of July 1.

<https://www.intellinews.com/tanap-pipeline-comes-online-a-major-piece-in-europe-s-energy-puzzle-163829/?source=turkey>

Accessed on July 3, 2019



DRK offers you niche assessments, field/facility surveys and observations to define the security sensitivities and vulnerabilities, as well as plans for mitigation measures and protective precautions in any location of Turkey for site, facility, regional levels.

Erdogan Says a U.S. Refusal to Give F-35s to Turkey Would Be 'Robbery': A refusal by the United States to hand over to Turkey the F-35 fighters jets which it has bought would be "robbery", cited President Erdogan as saying in a dispute over Ankara's purchase of Russian air defenses.

<https://www.nytimes.com/reuters/2019/07/04/world/europe/04reuters-turkey-usa-defense.html?searchResultPosition=1>

Accessed on July 4, 2019

Turkey slams Washington Post over PKK terrorist's op-ed: "A head terrorist of the PKK - listed as a terrorist organization by many countries, including the U.S., and which has brutally massacred tens of thousands of innocent people - has brazenly engaged in terrorist propaganda by using The Washington Post," the Turkish Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/americas/turkey-slams-washington-post-over-pkk-terrorists-op-ed/1522770>

Accessed on July 4, 2019

Marked drop in annual Turkish inflation opens door to interest rate cut: Turkey's consumer inflation fell to its lowest level in a year in June thanks to a high so-called base effect and a drop in food prices, potentially paving the way for the country's first interest rate cut since last year's currency crisis.

<https://www.gulf-times.com/story/635699/Marked-drop-in-annual-Turkish-inflation-opens-door>

Accessed on July 4, 2019

Turkey protests with UN office, Geneva over PKK deal: The protest notes came after U.N. Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict Virginia Gamba's meeting with Ferhat Abdi Shahin- who commands SDF, a label used by the terrorist group PKK/YPG- to sign an "action plan" at the U.N. Office in Geneva without the knowledge of the members. In the protest notes, Turkey's permanent mission to the U.N. office at Geneva documented that Shahin was sought by the Interpol with a red notice.

<http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/turkey-protests-with-un-office-geneva-over-pkk-deal-144698>

Accessed on July 4, 2019

Car bomb blast kills three in Turkey's Reyhanlı near Syria: Turkish authorities say the blast, which killed at least three people, appears 'terror-related'.

<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2019/07/car-bomb-blast-kills-turkey-reyhanli-syria-190705112343232.html>

Accessed on July 5, 2019

Turkey announces 'Trilateral Summit' on Syria with Russia and Iran: Turkey announced a meeting in August that will be a "trilateral summit" between Ankara, Tehran and Moscow. This is the latest in numerous meetings the three countries have had on Syria that began with a ceasefire in 2016.

<https://www.jpost.com/International/Turkey-announces-Syria-meeting-with-Russia-and-Iran-594688>

Accessed on July 5, 2019

Senior PKK terrorist neutralized at Qandil, N.Iraq HQ: In a joint operation, Turkish army and intelligence units hit senior targets at the terrorist PKK's base at Mt. Qandil, northern Iraq, taking out a key terrorist.



<https://www.yenisafak.com/en/news/senior-pkk-terrorist-neutralized-at-qandil-niraq-hq-3494981>

Accessed on July 7, 2019

EU says Turkey's drilling off Cyprus coast of 'grave concern': The European Union aid Turkey's plan to drill for oil and gas off Cyprus was of grave concern and an unacceptable escalation of tensions surrounding the Mediterranean island. "Turkey's declared intention to illegally conduct a new drilling operation northeast of Cyprus is of grave concern," the EU foreign policy branch said in a statement.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-cyprus-turkey-ship-eu/eu-says-turkeys-drilling-off-cyprus-coast-of-grave-concern-idUSKCN1U31P4>

Accessed on July 8, 2019

Two Turkish soldiers killed in attack by Kurdish militants, ministry: PKK militants launched an attack on a Turkish military vehicle in southeast Turkey, killing two soldiers and wounding another, the country's defense ministry said.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-turkey-security-militants/two-turkish-soldiers-killed-in-attack-by-kurdish-militants-ministry-idUSKCN1U4116>

Accessed on July 9, 2019

Turkey launches counter-terror Operation Claw-2 in N Iraq: Turkey launched counter-terror Operation Claw-2 in northern Iraq the Turkish National Defense Ministry said. Turkey will continue to destroy weapon emplacements and shelters used by PKK terrorists in a new area with Operation Claw-2, said the ministry in a statement.

<http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/turkey-launches-counter-terror-operation-claw-2-in-n-iraq-144938>

Accessed on July 13, 2019

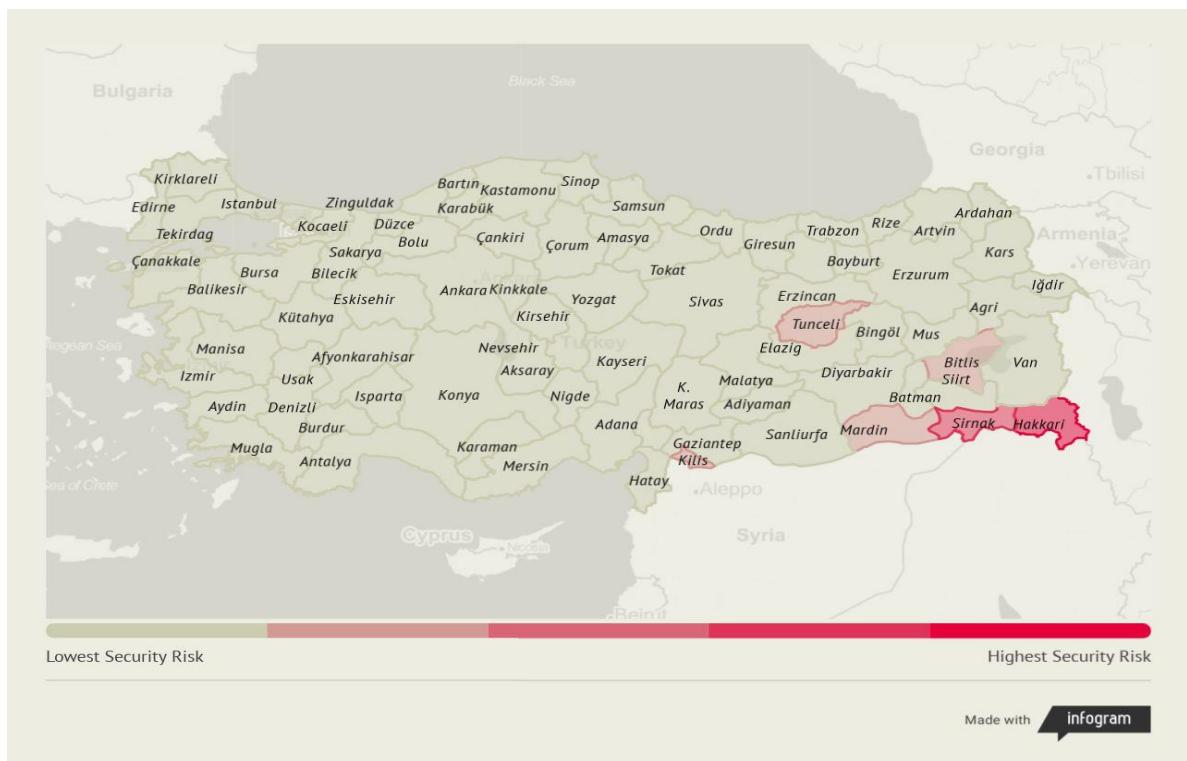
Turkey: 3 soldiers martyred, 3 terrorists neutralized: Three PKK terrorists were neutralized in Turkey's eastern Hakkâri province, in an operation in which three Turkish soldiers were martyred. Turkish Gendarmerie forces and Turkish Armed Forces carried out counter-terrorism operations in rural areas of Hakkâri, the ministry said in a written statement.

<https://www.aa.com.tr/en/turkey/turkey-3-soldiers-martyred-3-terrorists-neutralized-/1531409>

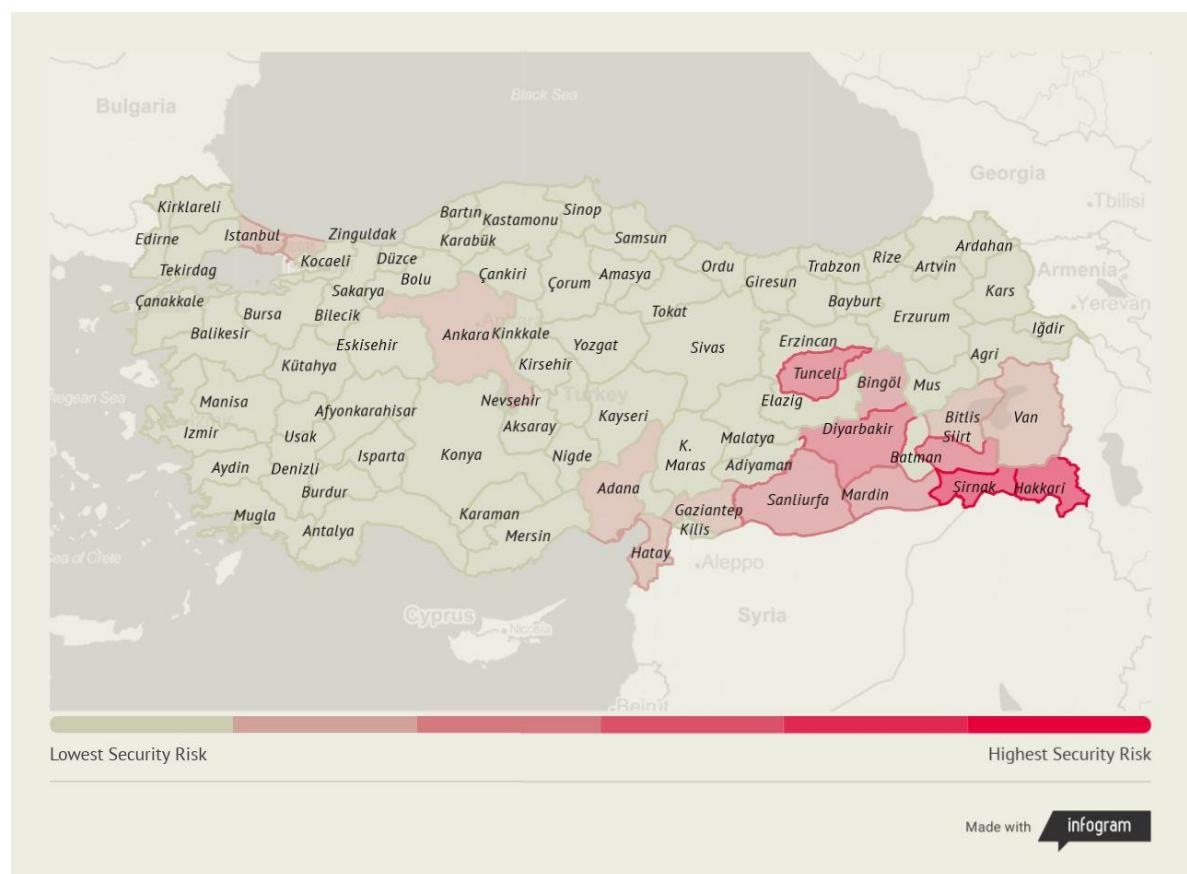
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DRK also provides company/project leaders and managers with reports & analysis and security trainings as to contribute in the business continuity and resilience of the corporations.

Turkey Security Incident Overview – 1 Month (Jun 15 – July 15, 2019)



Turkey Security Incident Overview – 3 Months (Apr 15 – July 15, 2019)



Prominent Regional Security Issue

Hottest Months Ahead in Ankara

Turkish missile defense need arose very seriously, since the emergence of conflict and intensive missile attacks from the Syrian Border. The need was fallen on deaf ears in Washington. US administration and Congress rejected Patriot sale to Turkey. Afterward Turkey, as a sovereign country, faced to Russia. Ankara and Moscow signed a deal for S-400 missile system on April 11, 2017. More than two years later, the missile system delivery process has started as of July 12, 2019. US Hawks erupted and expressed harsh measures right after the S-400 first equipment pack delivered at Murted Airfield/Ankara.



DRK advices on how to plan and implement the security measures during the site operations, transfers, travels and logistics operations.

Pentagon is well aware that S-400 missile systems have very powerful radar and worries about defecting F-35 stealth capability. As such, the Pentagon rejected Turkish offer, as a project partner of F-35, about the technical committee to mitigate differences between two systems. On the other hand, both officials still have meetings about Patriot sale.

US Congress accepted CAATSA law in 2017 just after the Russian invasion in Ukraine. The law aims to counter the aggression by Iran, Russia and North Korea but specifically Russia through harsh measures. According to the law, US president authorized to impose 5 of 12 sanctions. If Trump decides to impose sanctions to Turkey, reportedly costing \$2bn. such as restrictions on Turkish banks, property, investments, etc., it will be the first case. Trump administration has not imposed any sanction yet. In G-20 peak, Trump declared that it was not Erdogan's fault; Turkey was treated very unfairly by Obama administration.

Turkish Defense Minister emphasized that S-400 purchase was not a preference but a necessity in consideration of the whole missile defense system procurement process. According to the pro-government sources, the delivery is the proof of sovereignty and strength of Turkey. President Erdogan said that he did not know if NATO countries begun to impose sanctions on each other, he did not receive this impression during his meeting with Trump in G20 Osaka.



The system activation is unlikely to happen before October 2019, the end of Turkish personnel training period. As such, there may not be any US sanction until system activation. Delivery is undoubtedly turning point for Ankara, US and NATO ties. Turkey is obviously in urgent need of missile defense system. Operating procedures are still fuzzy however S-400's will apparently satisfy the need to some extent.

DRK Highlights: Integrated Security System in Free Trade Zone (FTZ)

Free Trade Zones (FTZ) are defined as designated fenced-in areas in which special legal regulatory exists for the users in order to promote exports of goods and services. Such zones offer more convenient and flexible business climate in order to increase trade volume and export for some industrial and commercial activities as compared to the other parts of country. Research and Development (R&D), Manufacturing, Software, General trading, Storing, Packing, Banking and insurance can be performed in Turkish Free Zones.



Corporate level risk and security assessments to improve security for your employees and business operations are one of DRK's core functions.

FTZ has some characteristic processes and spots, because of the unique legal and trading climate. Some of sensitive processes and spots in FTZ are generally listed below:

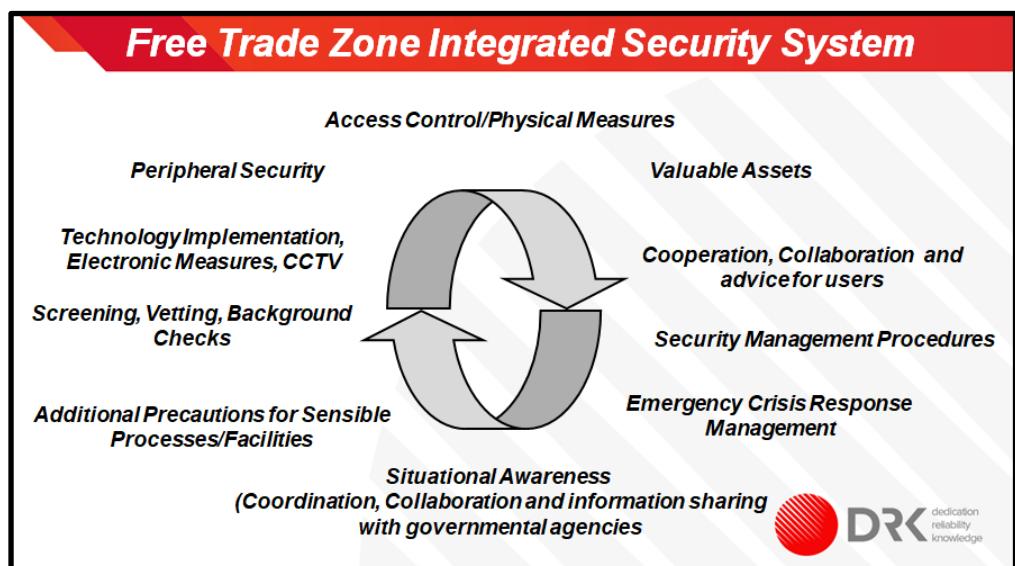
Processes

- * Mass Transportation of Raw Material/Goods in and out FTZ
- * Massive flow of workers, employees
- * Paper /ID Check In and Out FTZ
- * Continuous Production Process
- * In/Out processing for workers, employees
- * Civil traffic flow during workdays

Spots

- * Production Facilities
- * Entrances
- * Depots/Warehouses
- * Truck Parking Lot

In the light of DRK's holistic approach, Integrated Security System in FTZ should have these layers depicted below.



Technology in Security World: Security Bollards

Bollard is defined as a short post creates physical barrier directing traffic, protecting property and pedestrians, limiting the access. Depending on the response time of the system, telescopic bollards are very effective way to deter unauthorized access to designated part of the security project.

Rising bollard systems can be installed in any dimensions according to the need of security project. Fixed steel bollards are very effective to direct vehicles to desired directions and to give permission the pedestrian access. Fold-Down Steel Bollards are very useful for parking control. User can lock the steel bollards in raised position with padlocks, and then remove padlocks and lower bollards to the ground to allow access.

Depending on the security project environment and threat level hydraulic/pneumatic bollards may be the correct choice. These bollards are used to limit the traffic access during the specified/full time period. When the need to limit access is no longer necessary then bollards are kept lowered. Bollards can be integrated with the other physical, technological security components such access control, plate recognition, CCTV systems and etc.



DRK's mission is to improve the security and resilience of our clients by managing the risk and security needs through niche intellectual capabilities in the imminent time and location as necessary, both on ad hoc or permanent basis.



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