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Women in Politics and Media Sensitization Panel

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Parliament Reporters' Association are organizing a one day Panel entitled **Women in Politics and Media Sensitization** at the Turkish Grand National Assembly (TGNA) on 3 December 2009, Thursday.

Besides the Speaker of the Parliament, Mehmet Ali Şahin, and the State Minister in charge of Women and Family, Selma Aliye Kavaf, high-level media decision makers from Turkey, women parliamentarians, gender and media experts and civil society representatives will participate in the meeting.

The Media Panel will aim at defining a Gender Sensitive Media agreement for a more sensitive media towards women politicians in Turkey through exchange of experiences with participation of the international media representatives from Spain and Sweden and Rosa Peris Cervera the Director General of *El Instituto de la Mujer (the Women's Institute in Spain)*.

We cordially invite you to participate at "Women in Politics and Media Sensitization Panel" organized by UNDP and the Parliament Reporters' Association.

UNDP has been supporting the Government of Turkey towards the achievement of Gender Equality through its Women in Politics Project since 2006. The Project envisages to work with the media as a key public opinion maker that can encourage women to actively participate in decision-making. Within this Media component, UNDP is conducting activities in collaboration with the Parliament Reporters' Association in order to raise awareness about women's participation in politics within the Parliamentarians and the Journalists in Turkey.