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To the
Turkish ETF affiliates

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Dear colleagues,

With a great shock, we learnt this morning about the terrible accident that happened near the Marsandiz station in Ankara which resulted into 9 fatalities and over 40 injuries out of which several are serious.

On behalf of the ETF family, we would like to present our sincere condolences to the families, loved ones, relatives, friends and colleagues of the victims of this tragic accident. On behalf of more than 5 million transport workers from 41 European countries the ETF represents, we also express our solidarity to our Turkish affiliates and all railway workers in this difficult moment.

As always, such an accident raises a lot of questions about proper investment in the railway system to guarantee its safety. It puts again into relief how important it is to fight for railway safety and to make sure that no cuts and no savings are done in this domain for the passengers' and railway workers safety in both freight and passenger transport.

In solidarity,

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