PRESS CLIPPINGS – WEEK #20 (05/21 – 05/28)

TURKEY

BUSINESSES

- Made in Turkey' car to be fully electric with 500 km range (Daily Sabah)
- Turkey aims to substantially increase exports of cherries (Daily Sabah)
- Second wind farm tender draws high investor interest to Turkey (<u>Daily Sabah</u>)
- Turkish Airlines ready to boost tourism in Palestine (Hurriyet)
- Czech company CEZ to sell assets in Turkey (Renewables Now)

SECURITY

- Turkey denies U.S. ultimatum on S-400 deal with Russia (Xinhua)
- Turkey's TİKA reaches out to Iraqis, Afghans during Ramadan (Daily Sabah)
- Experts discuss Turkey-NATO relations (Anadolu Agency)
- Over 1,000 irregular migrants held across Turkey, security sources say (Daily Sabah)
- Egypt raises concerns over Turkish involvement in Libya (Ahval)
- Turkey supplies weapons to Syrian rebels facing Russian-backed assault (Ahval)

POLITICAL INSTABILITY

- Initiatives in Turkey for 6th anniversary of Gezi Park (ANSA Med)
- Turkey's hunger strikers waiting to receive medical attention after end of strike (Ahval)
- Turkey's Ramadan 'Dinners on the Ground' ruffle government feathers (Middle East Online)
- Access Block to Wikipedia in Turkey Taken to ECtHR (Bianet)
- → *Analysis*: Who is Europe punishing in Turkey? The rulers or ordinary citizens? (Hurriyet)

GOVERNMENT

- Istanbul election board announces candidates for June 23 rerun polls (Hurriyet)
- Turkey and Cuba agree to cooperate in vaccine, drug production (Daily Sabah)
- "Democracy and Freedom Island" off Istanbul coast to be inaugurated this year (Daily Sabah)
- Turkey's ties with North Macedonia set example for Balkans (Hurriyet)
- Supreme election council announces justified ruling on annulment of İstanbul elections (Bianet)
- → *Analysis*: The way out of the energy stalemate with Turkey (Cyprus Mail)
- → *Analysis*: Turkey's Pan-Islamist Foreign Policy (Cairo Review)

ECONOMY

- Turkey Central Bank Raises Forex Reserve Requirement (Forex)
- Turkey central bank withdraws \$4.2 billion from market to boost reserves (Ahval and Yeni Safak)
- World Bank approves EUR 500 mln loan for Turkish sustainable cities (Hurriyet)

TUNISIA

BUSINESSES

- Tunisair to cut 1,200 jobs under a restructuration plan (Ecofin)
- Tunisia terror attack memorial hidden away by hotel owners (The Sun)
- Alibaba to introduce eFounders Fellowship for African entrepreneurs in Tunisia (Region Week)
- Elmed interconnector aims to bring solar power from the Sahara to Europe (<u>Deutsche Welle</u>)

POLITICAL INSTABILITY

- Strike by Tunisian fuel workers leads to queues and empty pumps (Al Arabiya)
- Tunisia PM reassures farmers over EU trade deal (Al Arabiya)
- Bad political timing for Tunisia's economic slump (The Arab Weekly)
- Europe wants to impose on Tunisians a project of total economic dependence (Le Monde)
- → *Analysis*: Repairing Tunisia's Education System Is Key to Tackling Its Economic Woes (Al-Fanar)

GOVERNMENT

- Tunisia's largest trade union (UGTT) to monitor elections (AL-Monitor)
- First Jewish minister accuses rivals of hiring Israeli "fake news" company (Al Araby)
- Tunisia frees United Nations expert suspected of espionage (Associated Press)

ECONOMY

- Tunisia's Annual Inflation Falls in April (Asharq Al-Awsat and Albawaba)
- Tunisia to see growth after year-end vote (ANSA Med)
- Tunisia's economic growth slows to 1.1% in first quarter (Zawya)
- IMF and Oxfam give mixed messages to Morocco and Tunisia (Fair Observer)
- → *Analysis* Will Morocco's economic diversification affect Tunisia? (North Africa Post)
- → *Analysis*: Why will Tunisia miss its growth target for first half 2019? (Bloomberg)
- → *Analysis*: MENA's economic integration in an era of fragmentation (Brookings)

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