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1. Introduction

“There is no such thing”, “Among them”, “What are you doing there?”, “What do you have to do with the sacred value of the nation?”, “This exists in the West”, “We have work to do”

Although these consecutive sentences resemble a tongue twister, they are actually quite serious. They are quotes from the news containing the statements of the President and the Minister of the Interior on matters concerning university students. Hate speech behind “There is no such thing” and “This exists in the West”, discrimination against women and targeting behind “There is no such thing” and “What are you doing there” and the sentences “What do you have to do with the sacred value of the nation”? and “we have work to do” include tones of discrimination and threats.

In the fourth of our University in the News report series, we closely examined the statements of politicians and the media coverage of these statements. In our study, we found examples in which politicians are directly quoted without verification and reflected as absolute truths. We inferred that the media outlets do not address hate speech; on the contrary, they are reflected as absolute truths.

2. The Scope and the methodology of the Research

We prepare University in the News reports by scanning all the news, which are mostly about Boğaziçi protests, published in *A Haber, Akşam, Yeni Şafak, Takvim, Sabah* and *Yeni Akit* between January 4 and March 31.

In our first report, in which we examined Boğaziçi protests, we analyzed 353 news stories and concluded that the voices of government representatives are heard the most. In 105 of these news items, government representatives’ or supporters’ voices are accommodated. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan is quoted directly in 22 of 105 news pieces.

Of 86 news stories we analyzed in our report on LGBTI+ students, 65 contains hate speech, and in 15 of these 65 news items, the source of hate speech is the quoted statements of government representatives.

In the news we analyzed in our third report on arrested students, there are frequent examples of targeting, discriminatory expressions and hate speech in the statements of government representatives or other official institutions.

The words of politicians did not remain only in news texts. The emphasis in these words was repeated during the judicial processes that the students faced. We decided to examine closely how these words are reported.

In this report, we applied discourse analysis to 6 news stories that include the words of President Erdoğan and Minister of Interior Soylu and that we think represent the general pattern. We examined the tone of the news, the headlines, how the statements are accommodated in the news and the photographs used. We defined news including politicians' accusatory statements that were not verified from various sources and containing discrimination and hate speech as negative. We categorized the news as neutral, where there are no targeting and discriminatory statements in sections other than the words of politicians. We planned to include news that contains the words of politicians together with the words of other parties, especially students, and conveys their demands in the positive category. However, all 6 articles are listed in the negative category.

We concluded that the words of both politicians are quoted directly, these statements are not supported with additional confirming information, the words are reflected as absolute truths and the hate speech in the discourses is not addressed, on the contrary, it is embraced.

3. Analyses of News

3.1. "There is no such thing"

Cumhurbaşkanı Erdoğan'dan Boğaziçi tepkisi: Öğrenci misiniz terörist mi?

Cumhurbaşkanı Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, AK Parti Artvin-Bilecik-Çankırı-Gaziantep-Iğdır 7'nci olağan il kongrelerine canlı bağlantıyla katıldı. Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'nde düzenlenen protestolarda gözaltına alınanların öğrenci bile olmamasını sert bir dille eleştiren Erdoğan, "Siz öğrenci misiniz? Siz talebe misiniz? Yoksa rektörlük binasını işgale kalkışan terörist misiniz? Bunlara asla fırsat vermeyeceğiz. Gereği neyse yapıyoruz. Bu ülke bir kez daha gezi olayı yaşamayacak, yaşatmayacağız" ifadelerini kullandı.

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Cumhurbaşkanı Recep Tayyip Erdoğan

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- **Boğaziçi Reaction from President Erdoğan: Are you a student or a terrorist?** President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan attended the 7th ordinary AK Party Artvin-Bilecik-Çankırı-Gaziantep-Iğdır provincial congress via live connection. Erdoğan harshly criticizes the fact that those detained in the protests at Boğaziçi University are not even students, saying “Are you a student? Are you a disciple? Or are you a terrorist who attempt to occupy the rectorate building? We will never give them that chance. We do whatever we should do. This country will not see any Gezi protest once again, we will not allow it.” ([Yeni Şafak, 3.2.2021](#))

The first news we will examine in our report is given with the headline “*Boğaziçi reaction from President Erdoğan: Are you a student or a terrorist?*”. While the definition of “*provocation*”, which is most frequently seen in the news about the protests regarding the appointment of the rector to Boğaziçi University, is not used in this news piece, the “neutral” tone captured by the expression “*Protests held at Boğaziçi University*” turns “negative” with the headline and spotlight. The statement of the Istanbul Governor’s Office is cited as the source for the expression “*Those detained are not even students.*”

Erdoğan’s words are directly quoted in the news under the subheading “*Kılıçdaroğlu defines terrorist organization representatives as his friends*”, right after the Governor’s statement is repeated.

The article ends with the sentence “*There is no LGBT, there is no such thing*”, in which Erdoğan ignores LGBTI+ people and serves as an example of hate speech.

"Kılıçdaroğlu terör örgütü temsilcilerini arkadaşları olarak tanımıyor"

Konuyla ilgili açıklamalarda bulunan Cumhurbaşkanı Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, "**Kemal Kılıçdaroğlu'nun Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'yle ilgili yaptığı açıklamalara baktığımızda, hala terör örgütü temsilcilerini arkadaşları olarak tanımıyor. Siz öğrenci misiniz? Siz talebe misiniz? Yoksa rektörlük binasını işgale kalkışan terörist misiniz? Bunlara asla fırsat vermeyeceğiz. Gereği neyse yapıyoruz. Bu ülke bir kez daha gezi olayı yaşamayacak, yaşatmatacağız. LGBT, yok böyle bir şey. Bu ülke millidir, manevidir.**" ifadelerini kullandı.

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- ***Making statements on the issue, President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan said: “When we look at the statements made by Kemal Kılıçdaroğlu about Boğaziçi University, he still defines the representatives of the terrorist organization as his friends. Are you a student? Are you a disciple? Or are you a terrorist who attempt to occupy the rectorate building? We will never give them that chance. We do whatever we should do. This country will not see any Gezi protest once again, we will not allow it. LGBT. No Such Thing. This country is national and moral.”***

Inaccurate statements about students’ guards on campus as a “rectorate occupation”, accusations of “representation of a terrorist organization”, judgmental discourses like “whatever is necessary will be done”, and discrimination that repeats itself with the sentence “There is no LGBT, there is no such thing” and hate speech, which will be shown as common in Turkish politics for many years, are featured directly in the news.

While these statements are accommodated in the news stories, no source is cited except for the Governor’s statement, which seems to support Erdoğan’s words “they are not students.” The accuracy of the governor’s statement is not questioned. However, it remains unclear whether the fact that some of the protesters are not Boğaziçi University students has an impact on the legitimacy of the demands.

It seems that the hate speech is promoted since the sentence ignoring the existence of LGBTI+ students is quoted as it is and the reactions on this issue are intendedly excluded.

In the photo of the news piece, Erdoğan is on a platform with the Presidential logo, framed from below and Turkish flags are set in the background. His arms are stretched to both sides, positioned “above” due to the framing, and hence the emphasis of “power” is underlined.

3.2. “Among them”

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"Gezi olaylarıyla aynı yere getiremeyecekler" dedi ve ekledi: "Provokatörlerin içerisinde o da var"



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Başkan Erdoğan, Üsküdar'daki Hz. Ali Camii'nde kıldığı cuma namazı sonrası açıklamalarda bulundu. Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'ndeki olayların Gezi olayları gibi bir seyire çekilemeyeceğini dile getiren Başkan Erdoğan, "Osman Kavala denilen, Soros'un temsilcisi olan kişinin karısı da aynı şekilde bu provokatörlerin içerisinde yer alıyor." dedi.

- *"They will not be able to take it to the same place as the Gezi protests," he said and added: "She is among the provocateurs." President Erdoğan made a statement after the Friday prayer he performed at Hz. Ali Mosque. Stating that the happenings at Boğaziçi University cannot be made to resemble Gezi incidents, President Erdoğan said: "The wife of that person named Osman Kavala, who is the representative of Soros, is also among those provocateurs." (Akşam., 5.2.2021)*

In the news titled “They will not be able to take it to the same place as the Gezi protests,” he said and added: “She is among the provocateurs,” Erdoğan’s definition of “provocateur” is taken to the headline. In the text of the news item, in which the phrase “incidents at Boğaziçi University” is used, the word “incidents” contains an emphasis of criminalization. The appointment of the rector, related protests, and the demands for the resignation of the rector are not mentioned in the news piece.

While the statement of Erdoğan as “Osman Kavala’s wife” which ignores the existence of the woman or the educator, is quoted directly. The fact that Prof. Dr. Ayşe Buğra’s name is not mentioned in the news does not prevent her from being targeted in the news item.

The article directly quotes Erdoğan’s sentences, in which he describes students as “provocateurs”, discriminates against and targets female academics, and criminalizes opposition parties.

Boğaziçi Üniversitesindeki olaylara ilişkin değerlendirme yapan Başkan Erdoğan, “Oradaki öğrencilerimizin bir olayı olarak tanımlamak, o şekilde kabul etmek mümkün değil. Bu işi Gezi olaylarıyla aynı yere getiremeyecekler.” ifadelerini kullandı.

“PROVOKATÖRLERİN İÇERİSİNDE O DA VAR”

Provokatörler arasında Osman Kavala’nın eşinin de yer aldığını belirten Erdoğan, şunları kaydetti:

“Televizyonlarda ‘Melih Bulu istifa etmeli’ diyorlar. Yüreklere yetse ‘Cumhurbaşkanı da istifa etsin’ diyecekler. Osman Kavala denilen, Soros’un temsilcisi olan kişinin karısı da aynı şekilde bu provokatörlerin içerisinde yer alıyor. Bu işin başını maalesef siyasetin bir boyutu çekiyor ki dün akşam dağdan beslenenlerin yani HDP’nin Kadıköy’de yapmış olduğu çağrı ve oradaki gösteriler bunun çok açık net ifadesidir. Siz kalkıp da rektörün odasını işgale yeltenirseniz ona da hoş geldin demezler.”

HİÇ UTANÇ DUYMUYOR MUSUNUZ?

Dış basından gelen “Boğaziçi” yorumlarını eleştiren Başkan Erdoğan, “Macron, Türkiye oradan (Libya) askerlerini çekecek derken, o da bu işi hala öğrenemedi. Öğrenmesi için de daha çok vakit yemesi lazım. Amerika, AB ‘Biz Boğaziçi Üniversitesindeki olanları kınıyoruz.’ diyorlar. Burada Amerika’ya şunu söylerim; seçim öncesinde Amerika’daki olaylardan demokrasi adına hiç utanç duymuyor musunuz?” sözleriyle ABD’yi sert bir biçimde eleştirdi.

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- *Evaluating the incidents at Boğaziçi University, President Erdoğan said: “It is not possible to define it as a student thing there, and to accept it as such. They will not be able to take it to the same place as the Gezi protests.” “SHE IS AMONG THE PROVOCATORS” Stating that Osman Kavala’s wife is among the provocateurs, Erdogan said: “They say on television, ‘Melih Bulu should resign.’ If they were brave enough, they would say “The president should also resign.’ The wife of the person named Osman Kavala who represent Soros is also among those provocateurs. Unfortunately, this issue is led by a certain political aspect, and the call made last night by HDP as the group of people nurtured by mountain-based politics, in Kadıköy, and the demonstrations there are a very clear expression of this political aspect. If you attempt to occupy the rector’s room, nobody welcomes you.” DON’T YOU FEEL ANY SHAME? Reviewing “Boğaziçi” comments in the international press, President Erdoğan harshly criticized the United States with these words.: “When Macron says that Turkey should disengage from there (Libya), he still can’t get the point. He needs more time to learn. America and the EU express that ‘We condemn what happened at Boğaziçi University.’. Here, I would say to America: Are you not ashamed of the incidents in America before the election, in the name of democracy?”*

While the news piece maintains its negative tone, it also repeats the discriminatory discourse against women in the headline, spotlight, subheadings, and notes on the photo.

For example, the expressions “He said ‘They will not be able to take it to the same place as the Gezi protests.’ And then added: ‘She is among the provocateurs.’” is capitalized on the photograph where Erdoğan is seen on a platform in front of the mosque.

3.3. “What are you doing there?”

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Son dakika: Başkan Erdoğan'dan AK Parti'nin 6'ncı Olağan İl Kadın Kolları Kongrelerinde önemli açıklamalar

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Ailelere çağrı: Evlatlarınıza sahip çıkın

SİNSİ OYUNU BOZACAĞIZ

CHP ve HDP'ye tepki: Sizin orada ne işiniz var?

Teröre bulaşmanın gözünün yaşına bakmayacağız

Çocuklarınızı profesyonel provokatörlere bırakmayın

AK Parti'nin Adıyaman-Edirne-Erzurum-İzmir-Kırşehir-Mersin-Osmaniye 6'ncı olağan il kadın kolları kongrelerinde önemli açıklamalarda bulunan Başkan Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'ndeki provokasyonlara çok sert çıktı. Başkan Erdoğan, "Teröre ve şiddete bulaşmanın gözünün yaşına bakmayacağız. Evlatlarınıza sahip çıkın. Çocuklarınızı profesyonel provokatörlere bırakmayın." diyerek ailelere çağrıda bulundu. Erdoğan, "Bu işin içinde ana muhalefet partisinin il başkanı kadın var, yine bir siyasi partinin, ismini vermeye gerek yok, onun genel başkan yardımcısı var; yahu sizin orada ne işiniz var, gidin siyaset yapın gençleri tahrik etmenin anlamı ne?" diyerek CHP ve HDP'ye sert çıktı.

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- ***Newsflash: Important statements from President Erdoğan at the 6th AK Party Ordinary Provincial Women’s Branch Congress. President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, who made important statements at the 6th AK Party Adiyaman-Edirne-Erzurum-İzmir-Kırşehir-Mersin-Osmaniye Ordinary Provincial Women’s Branch Congresses, made heads roll about the provocations at Boğaziçi University. President Erdoğan appealed to the families stating that “We will show no mercy to those who are involved in terrorism and violence. Protect your children. Do not throw your children to professional provocateurs.” Erdoğan criticized CHP and HDP harshly by saying that “There is a woman in the loop, who is the provincial head of the main opposition party, again another political party, no need to name that party, also there is its vice president in the loop; hey! what are you doing there? go do politics, what’s the point of provoking the youth?”. / [A haber, 5.2.2021](#)***

The first thing that draws attention in the news item, titled “*Newsflash: Important statements from President Erdoğan at the 6th AK Party Ordinary Provincial Women’s Branch Congresses,*” is the head photograph with the quotations in the colored boxes. Next to Erdoğan’s photo, the sentences “*Appeal to the families: Protect your children*”, “*We will spoil this insidious drama*” are included along with “*Reaction to CHP and HDP: What are you doing there?*”, “*We will show no mercy to those who are involved in terrorism*”, “*Do not throw your children to professional provocateurs.*”

The first emotion created by the photo collage is “threat alert.” Color and layout as well as the language reinforce this emotion. Although there is no official title in the heading, “President” is the address used.

Starting from the top the word “provocation” is used in addition to Erdoğan’s sentences.

Erdoğan’s words in the same speech as “The pillar of the family is the mother, it’s mother. Let’s worry our heads about what these lesbians mesbians are saying” are included in the news text, however, they are not particularly emphasized or commented upon. This lack of emphasis also supports the “negative” tone of the news. Conveying these sentences as spoken also refers to a certain point of view, since it sets an example of hate speech with its ignorance of sexual orientation, and sexism and discrimination with its sole definition of women as mothers. Subsequently in Erdoğan’s speech, the expressions “family structure”, “our women”, “our mothers” are frequently used. All these expressions are directly quoted without comment in the news text.

Before quoting the section on the protests around the appointment of the rector at Boğaziçi University, the sentence *“Referring to the fact that a fractional minority at Boğaziçi University is attempting to occupy the rector’s room, Erdoğan speaks as follows”* is used. Definition of the students as a “fractional minority” and the statement “attempting to occupy the rector’s office” is presented as the absolute truth, without any justification.

While the sentences stating that the students “were provoked from the outside” are listed, the sentences in which Erdoğan targets another woman without mentioning her name, the opposition party politician Canan Kaftancıoğlu, are also directly reflected in the news.

3.4. “What do you have to do with the sacred value of the nation?”

Another politician, whose words are frequently quoted in many of the news items we reviewed, and who is often the source of hate speech towards LGBTI+ people, is the Minister of Interior Süleyman Soylu.

In our report on the protests of Boğaziçi University, the most predominant theme is “provocation”, followed by “terror”. Soylu’s statement “the detainees are members of the terrorist organization” is particularly the basis for the news on “terrorism”.

Let us take a closer look at the news with similar statements quoted in almost every news website we reviewed.

Son dakika: İçişleri Bakanı Süleyman Soylu'dan Boğaziçi Üniversitesi açıklaması: Gözaltındakiler terör örgütü üyesi

Gelen son dakika haberine göre, İçişleri Bakanı Süleyman Soylu, " (Boğaziçi Üniversitesindeki gözaltılar) Gözaltına alınanlardan 79'u DHKP/C, TKP-ML dahil olmak üzere terör örgütü üyesi. Şimdi diyor ki 'Siz kayyum rektör atadınız.' Bir kere bu faşist bir yaklaşım. Doğru bir yaklaşım değil. Rektörün odasını işgal edecekler. Ben İçişleri Bakanı'yken buna müsaade etmem" dedi. Öte yandan Soylu, "Tayyip Erdoğan siyaseti bıraktığı andan itibaren siyaset yapmam." dedi.



- **Newsflash: Bogaziçi University statement from Interior Minister Süleyman Soylu: Those detained are members of the terrorist organization. According to breaking news, Interior Minister Süleyman Soylu said: “(Detentions at Boğaziçi University) 79 of those detained are members of terrorist organizations, including DHKP/C and TKP-ML. Well, they say: ‘You have appointed a trustee rector.’ For one thing, this is a fascist approach. not a proper approach. They intend to occupy the rector’s room. I will not allow this while I am the Minister of Interior.” In addition to this, Soylu said: “I will not engage in politics from the moment Tayyip Erdogan resings.” (Takvim, 2.2.2021).**

In the first news item that we will analyze Soylu's statements, "The detainees are members of a terrorist organization" is conveyed in the headline.

Photographical preferences support this perception in terms of colors and emphasis. On the photograph, which appears to have been taken from a scene of a protest, the expressions "The look down' lie is an operation", "They will occupy the rector's office", "79 of them are terrorists from DHKP-C" are listed in red colors or on a red background. In the corner of the photo, there is the sentence "Terror connections have been exposed" and in another photo, "19 DHKP-C 23 MLKP 9 PKK" resemble a puzzle.

The color choice in the title and photo, the layout reminding of the "warning" signs, spreads the perception that it is a "dangerous" situation.

Throughout the news, Soylu's sentences are quoted directly without mentioning what actually happened, and what the demands and answers are.

For example, while conveying the statements of Soylu about a work of art, which depicts the Kaaba with a Basilisk figure placed on it together with LGBTI + flags in the corners, in the exhibition opened during the protests at Boğaziçi University, the words of the students on the issue are not included.

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Burada maalesef marjinal, ideolojik, çok uçlarda olan sınırlı sayıdakiler üniversiteyi marjinal ideolojik merkeze çekmişler. Bu doğru bir iş değil. Bizim Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'yle konuşacağımız iş onların başarısıdır. Bunlar bloke ediyorlar üniversiteyi. Diyebilirsiniz ki "Size ne? Milletın kutsallarıyla uğraşsınlar." Senin Kabe'yle ne işin var? Onları yapanların annesi, babası, ailesi yok mu? Bu ülkede her gün 5 vakit ezan okunuyor. Hani ne oldu saygı, demokrasi, çoğulculuk kelimeleri? İnsanların inandıklarını bu kadar kışkırtmak için üzerine gidilir mi?

- *Unfortunately, a certain number of marginal, ideological extremists transformed the university into the marginal ideological center. This is not right. The thing that we would discuss with Boğaziçi University is only their success. They are blocking out the university. You may say, "What's wrong with you? Let them deal with the sacred values of the nation." What are you doing with the Kaaba? Don't they have a mother, father, family? In this country, every day five calls to prayer are read. Where are the words 'respect, democracy, pluralism? Is it okay for people to come down and provoke others beliefs that much?*

In the subheading where the sentence “The term trustee rector is a fascist approach” is included, Soylu’s statements containing discrimination and hate speech towards LGBTI+ people are also observed subsequently.

"KAYYIM REKTÖR" TABİRİ FAŞİST BİR YAKLAŞIM

Burası bir üniversite. Bir önceki seçimde üniversite rektörünü öğrenci mi seçti? Hayır. Adaylardan biri seçildi. Türkiye'nin en çok akademik yayın üreten en başarılı üniversiteler hangileri? Özel üniversiteler.

"Kayyım rektör" tabiri faşist bir yaklaşım. Siyasi bir yaklaşım. Üniversitenin kendi içini kapsayacak bir yaklaşım değil. Burada maalesef marjinal ve ideolojik çok uçlarda olanlar üniversiteyi merkeze çekmişler. Bu doğru değil. Bizim konuşacaklarımız onların başarılarıdır. LGBT denilen tamamen batının Türkiye'ye pazarladığı gruplarla birlikte üniversitenin ortasına oturmuşlar. Milletın kutsalıyla senin ne işin var? Onları yapanların ailesi yok mu? Ne oldu demokrasiye, saygıya, çoğulculuğa? İnsanların inandıklarına kışkırtıcı şekilde yaklaşım doğru mu?

- *The term “trustee rector” is a fascist approach. It is a political approach. It is not an approach that would represent the university itself. Unfortunately, marginal, ideological extremists transformed the university into the marginal ideological center. This is not right. What we would discuss is their success. They are set in the middle of the university together with the groups called LGBT, which is touted by the West to Turkey. What do you have to do with the sacred values of the nation? Don't they have families? What about democracy, respect, pluralism? Is it right to approach people's beliefs in a provocative way?*

Soylu's other statements quoted in the news are as follows: "They broke the entrance gate of Boğaziçi University on the first day. This is called vandalism. What will these students do? They will enter the rector's room, occupy the rector's room. While I am the Minister of the Interior, I will not allow this. Even if Boğaziçi University rises, even if Turkey rises, I will not allow it. Invading and occupying the rector's office, LGBTist (Translator's note: Erdoğan uses "LGBTist" on purpose to show LGBTI community as an (illegal) organization) people doing this, shouting "killer police" against the police. Where are we? Why are they doing this? We do not allow this. What are CHP parliamentarians doing in this?"

While the news accepts the views in these sentences as absolute truths, it contains the words of neither the students nor the other actors at the university.

3.5. "This exists in the West"

Bakan Soylu: Gözaltına alınanların 79'u terör örgütü üyesi



İçişleri Bakanı Soylu'dan Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'ndeki gözaltılarla ilgili açıklama

"79'U TERÖR ÖRGÜTÜ ÜYESİ"

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İçişleri Bakanı Soylu, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'ndeki gözaltılarla ilgili yaptığı açıklamada, "Gözaltına alınanlardan 79'u DHKP/C, TKP-ML dahil olmak üzere terör örgütü üyesi." dedi.

- **Minister Soylu: 79 of those detained are members of a terrorist organization. In a statement regarding the detentions at Boğaziçi University, Minister of Interior Soylu said: “79 of those detained are members of terrorist organizations, including DHKP/C and TKP-ML.” (Akşam, 3.2.2021)**

Similar statements by Soylu are quoted in another news item with the headline “*Minister Soylu: 79 of those detained are members of a terrorist organization.*” The statements in the introductory part of the news item, where Anadolu Agency is cited as the source, are quoted without a separate comment; however, in the content of the news article, the statements such as “*LGBT does not coincide with any value of Turkey*”, “*The entrance gate of Boğaziçi University was broken on the first day*” are also quoted directly and this turns the tone of the news negative.

In the news piece, we see that Soylu’s statements are reflected as absolute truths, not as claims, and on the other hand, the words of the students, who are the actual subjects, are not included at all.

“LGBT’Yİ İDEOLOJİK GRUPLARLA BERABER ÜNİVERSİTENİN GÖBEĞİNE OTURTMUŞLAR”

LGBT'nin Türkiye'nin hiçbir değeri ile örtüşmediğini ifade eden Soylu, “Tamamen Batı'nın Türkiye'ye pazarladığı, sunduğu... Bizim geçmişimizde böyle bir şey var da biz bilmiyor muyuz? Ama Batı'da var. Batı, uzun zamandan beri bunu ortaya koyuyor. Getirmişler birtakım ideolojik gruplarla beraber üniversitenin göbeğine oturtmuşlar ve bloke ediyorlar üniversiteyi.” diye konuştu.

Soylu, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi önünde Kabe fotoğrafının yere serilmesine ilişkin, şu değerlendirmede bulundu:

““ Utanarak söylüyorum senin Kabe-i Muazzama ile ne işin var? Bu soruyu birisi sormuyor. O çocuk, onları yapanların annesi, babası, ailesi yok mu? Bu ülkede her gün 5 vakit ezan okunuyor kulaklarımıza. Ne oldu saygı kelimeleri? Ne oldu demokrasi kelimeleri? Ne oldu çoğulculuk kelimeleri? Hani hürriyet? İnsanların inandıklarına bu kadar taammüden kışkırtmak için tahrik etmek için üzerine gidilebilir mi? Doğru mu?”

“BOĞAZIÇI ÜNİVERSİTESİ AYAĞA KALKSA DA MÜSAADE ETMEM”

Boğaziçi Üniversitesinin giriş kapısının ilk gün kırıldığını anlatan Soylu, şunları kaydetti:

““ Bunun adı vandallıktır. Şunu ifade etmek istiyorum. Bu doğru bir talep mi, doğru bir istek mi? Biz buna sessiz mi kalalım? Ne yapacaklar bu öğrenciler? Rektörün odasına girecekler, rektörün odasını işgal edecekler. Ben İçişleri Bakanı'yken buna müsaade etmem. Boğaziçi Üniversitesi ayağa kalksa da müsaade etmem, Türkiye ayağa kalksa da müsaade etmem. Orada gidecek üniversitenin rektörünün odasına girecek, odayı işgal edecek. İşgalci olmak için mi, terör örgütlerinin oradaki manipülasyonuna alet olmak için mi öğrenci oldun?”

3.6. “We have work to do”

Not only are Soylu’s public statements but also his social media posts frequently the subject of the news. Despite police and private security unit violence against students on and in front of Boğaziçi University’s campus, the words “*Turkish police implemented the law*” is presented with the headline “*Newsflash: Boğaziçi statement from Minister Soylu: The Turkish Police did the right thing.*”



- Newsflash: Boğaziçi statement from Minister Soylu: “The Turkish Police did the right thing.” ([Sabah, 6.1.2021](#)).

We defined the news as negative since there is an emphasis on “provocation” and a definition of students being “linked to terrorism” in the news spotlight. We observed that the views in Soylu’s words are embraced and used in the news text where his words are not quoted.

İçişleri Bakanı Süleyman Soylu, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'nde yaşanan provokatif olaylar hakkında bir açıklama yayınladı. Soylu, Boğaziçi Üniversitesinde üniversiteli olmayıp içeriye girmeye çalışan terörle iltisaklı gruplara izin vermeyen Türk polisinin doğru yaptığını söyledi. Soylu “Buyrun geçin mi? deseydik” dedi.

- *Minister of Interior Süleyman Soylu issued a statement about the provocative incidents at Boğaziçi University. Soylu said that the Turkish police, who did not allow non-student terrorist-related groups to enter Boğaziçi University, did the right thing. Soylu said, “Should we welcome them and tell them to come in?”*

What Soylu said in his previous statements is accepted as true, without confirming the source, and published in the introductory part of the news item as it is. The sentence “It was revealed that the suspects who tried to provoke the incidents at Boğaziçi University are members of terrorist organizations and marginal groups such as PKK, MLKP, DEVPAR, THKPC, TKP/ML and TKEP/L” sets an example for this.

Subsequently, Soylu’s social media post is included in the news piece.

Soylu řu ifadeleri kullandı:

Üniversiteye girmeye çalışan, Boğaziçili olmayan, terörle iltisaklı illegal gruplara, izin vermeyen Türk Polisi, doğru yapmıştır...

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Şiddetle, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi'nin kapısını kırdılar. Polisimiz, kırılan kapıyı güvenlik için **plastik malzemeler** ile tutturdu.

İkinci kez yine **vandallıkla** kapıları kırdılar... Özel güvenlikçilerin kelepçesi ile Polisimiz, yine **kapıları birbirine tutturdu.**

İři gücü bırakıp **ipliğini pazara çıkarırız.** Ancak Milletimize **sorumluluğumuz** ve **yapılacak işimiz var.**

- *"Soylu said that the Turkish police, who did not allow non-student terrorist-related groups trying to enter Boğaziçi University, did the right thing.*

*Soylu said that the Turkish police, who did not allow non-student terrorist-related groups trying to enter Boğaziçi University, **did the right thing.***

They violently broke the gate of Boğaziçi University.

Our police fastened the broken gate with plastic for security.

They broke the gates by vandalism again for the second time ...

Our police fastened the gates together again with the handcuffs of the private security guards."

