

# Sultan Erdogan Continues His Crackdown on Critics

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**Recep Tayyip Erdogan** has in recent years been arrogating to himself more and more power in Turkey. His neo-Ottomanism is not just about spreading Turkish power to former Ottoman territories, but also about enlarging his own power inside Turkey, transforming him into a new Sultan or Padishah on the Ottoman model. He brooks no criticism. Those who express the slightest disagreement with him may find themselves imprisoned. This happened recently to ten retired admirals; their story is here: “Turkey arrests admirals, student for criticism,” by Seth J. Frantzman, [Jihad Watch](#).