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Paramilitary dynamics in Turkey throughout the Unionist, Kemalist and post-Kemalist eras

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The Weberian sociology of the state describes the state-building process as a successful process of monopolization of instruments of coercion. This monopolization appears to be the condition of the legality as well as the rationality of the state. In contrast with this approach, during the late Ottoman Empire or in different episodes of the Republican Turkey, state has been either dominated by militarized factions or incorporated external actors of coercion. The so-called Susurluk scandal of 1996 and the formation of “Special forces” under AKP constitute the last episodes of this paramilitarization.