

CONSTRAINT FRAMING AND FORMAL NEGATIVITY

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INTRODUCTION

1. Function

This lesson examines how absence, limitation, and analytical assumption are framed with precision in professional Turkish.

The structures covered here enable:

- institutional neutrality — withdrawal of agency and intent
- precision in absence — articulating what is deliberately not done without evaluative judgment
- analytical distance — not merely distancing the speaker, but actively enabling risk mitigation in discourse

Through **-mAkslzIn**, a professional can assert continuity or success while explicitly defining the boundaries that were not crossed.

Through **-mIşçAslnA**, assumptions can be explored without collapsing projection into assertion.

These structures do not negate action.

They protect institutional positioning by managing exposure.

2. Forms

Formal Negativity

• **-mAkslzIn**

Signals that an action is consciously and strategically excluded, often to preserve continuity, stability, or procedural integrity.

Analytical Projection

• **-mIşçAslnA**

Frames a situation as if it were the case, without asserting factual confirmation, allowing analytical assessment without epistemic commitment.

Both forms establish controlled distance between fact, inference, and judgment.

3. Morphology

• **-mAkslzIn**

Verb stem + -mA (nominalization) + -kslz (absence) + -In (adverbial function)

→ The process is defined through intentional non-occurrence.

• **-mIşçAslnA**

Verb stem + -mIş (evidential distance) + -çAslnA (simulative projection)

→ The state is treated as an assumed appearance, not a confirmed reality.

Morphology here does not describe events.

It produces caution, control, and neutrality.

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4. Structural Guide

Constraint Framing Logic

- A process is identified
- A specific action is deliberately excluded (-mAkslzln)
- The outcome is presented as uninterrupted or preserved

Projection Framing Logic

- A perceived condition or sentiment is introduced
- Factual certainty is suspended (-mIşçAslnA)
- Evaluation proceeds on the basis of this analytical assumption

Constraint Architecture

[Primary Action] + [Controlled Omission (-mAkslzln)] → [Uninterrupted Outcome]

Strategic Outcome: This architecture allows institutions to signal success while clearly documenting which operational boundaries were intentionally maintained.

Projection Architecture

[Perceived Sentiment] + [Suspended Reality (-mIşçAslnA)] → [Analytical Projection]

Strategic Outcome: This allows analysts to model market sentiment without adopting it as factual truth.

Together, these architectures allow institutions to advance conclusions without over-committing to premises.

5. Usage

The institutional effect of these structures is reinforced by the following executive verbs, each signaling a distinct institutional intent:

- **ertelenmektedir** — preservation of systemic integrity through controlled delay
- **varsayılmaktadır** — management of simulated reality without epistemic closure
- **öngörülmektedir** — forward projection with deliberately limited commitment
- **sürdürülmektedir** — maintenance of continuity under defined constraints
- **askıya alınmaktadır** — temporary suspension to avoid premature closure
- **sınırlı tutulmaktadır** — intentional scope containment to protect analytical clarity

These verbs do not finalize meaning.

They regulate commitment, responsibility, and exposure.

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Examples

A) Formal Negativity

Süreci aksatmaksızın denetimlerin sürdürülmesi, raporlama takviminin revize edilmesi gereğini ortadan kaldırmaktadır.

— By maintaining audits without disrupting the process, the need to revise the reporting schedule is eliminated.

B) Analytical Projection

Kriz aşılmasımasına piyasalara hakim olan iyimserliğin, yapısal riskleri perdeleyebileceği varsayılmaktadır.

— The optimism prevailing in the markets as if the crisis had been overcome is assumed to potentially obscure structural risks.

C) Executive Masterpiece

Operasyonel maliyetler artırılmaksızın dijital dönüşüm sürecinin sürdürülmesi hedeflenirken, likidite koşulları iyileşmişcesine şekillenen piyasa algısının politika kararlarını erken gevşeme yönünde baskılayabileceği öngörülmektedir.

— While the continuation of the digital transformation process without increasing operational costs is targeted, it is projected that the market perception shaped as if liquidity conditions had improved may exert pressure toward premature policy easing.

D) Surgical Deconstruction

• Constraint Frame

operasyonel maliyetler artırılmaksızın

→ Strategic omission, controlled boundary (-mAkslzln).

• Primary Process

dijital dönüşüm sürecinin sürdürülmesi

→ Uninterrupted objective.

• Projection Frame

iyileşmişcesine şekillenen piyasa algısı

→ Assumed appearance treated as data, not fact (-mIşçAslnA).

• Institutional Verdict

öngörülmektedir

→ Cautious projection without epistemic closure.

Interplay Note:

This sentence deliberately balances a hard constraint (-mAkslzln) with a soft analytical projection (-mIşçAslnA), allowing firm operational control to coexist with interpretive flexibility.

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Notes

- -mAdAn performs simple negation: an action did not occur.
- -mAkslzIn performs strategic exclusion: an action is deliberately avoided to preserve systemic integrity.
- -mlş gibi is descriptive and often personal, reflecting surface resemblance.
- -mlşçAslnA is analytical and institutional, signaling that the appearance itself is being evaluated as a data point, not as lived observation.

Pro-Tip (Delivery):

In formal oral delivery, **-mAkslzIn** is pronounced with even, level stress, reinforcing its unemotional, procedural character and avoiding any impression of justification or defensiveness.

These distinctions define how institutions speak responsibly under uncertainty.

These structures allow the speaker to navigate sensitive domains by articulating what is not there as a managed variable.