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LETTER DATED 3 FEBRUARY 1976 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF  
TURKEY TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 3 February 1976  
addressed to you by Mr. Nail Atalay, Acting Representative of the Turkish Federated  
State of Cyprus.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as a document of the  
Security Council.

(Signed) Ilter TÜRKMEN  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter dated 3 February 1976 from Mr. Nail Atalay addressed  
to the Secretary-General

"TURKS THE ONLY OBSTACLE TO ENOSIS"

According to Greek Cypriot press reports, tens of thousands of Greek Cypriots chanted enosis slogans in Limassol on Sunday, 25 January 1976.

The reports say that a large crowd attended the commemoration ceremony held for Grivas, the late leader of the EOKA terrorist organization in Limassol, and both the speakers and the audience shouted enosis slogans.

The main speaker of the day was Mr. Kiryakos Saveriades, Deputy Chairman of ESEA (Enosis Co-ordination Committee), and a coup minister, who declared that the Turks were the only obstacle to the annexation of Cyprus to Greece. Mr. Saveriades also stated that the enosis struggle will be continued.

The six-day president of the coup that ousted Makarios in July 1974, Nicos Sampson, also addressed the meeting and stated: "I shall expell the Turks and accomplish enosis." Mr. Sampson also claimed that he would punish the traitors and listed the former commanders of the Greek armed forces among them.

Meanwhile, Greek Cypriot newspapers carried editorials and articles on the commemoration anniversary of Grivas. Mahi, Tharros, Mesimvrini, Fleftherotis and Allagi newspapers stressed that the struggle started by Grivas would be continued and carried pro-enosis slogans. Articles by Mr. Kostas Tsellos and Elefeherios Papadopoulos, in Tharros and Mesimvrini, respectively, openly declared that the common ideal of the Greek Cypriots was enosis - union with Greece.

I would like to bring the above to the attention of all the honourable representatives to the United Nations and to state that such a mentality does not create the necessary atmosphere of goodwill for the peaceful solution of the Cyprus problem and is definitely very harmful preceding the resumption of the intercommunal talks.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Nail ATALAY  
Acting Representative of the  
Turkish Federated State  
of Cyprus

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