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LETTER DATED 26 FEBRUARY 1975 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 18 February 1975
addressed to you by Mr. Necati Taşkin, General Secretary of the Cyprus Turkish
Trade Unions Federation of the Federated Turkish State of Cyprus Republic.

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

(Signed) Osman OLCAY
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

Letter dated 18 February 1975 from Mr. Necati Taşkin
addressed to the Secretary-General

Appropriate bodies of the Turkish Cypriot Community decided to establish the Federal Turkish State of the Cyprus Republic in the face of continued infringements of the rights of the Turkish Cypriot Community by the Greek Cypriot leadership, under the guise of governmentship.

The Turkish Community has been subjected to brutal armed attacks, economic pressure and discrimination for the last 11 years by the Greek Cypriot leadership as well as by Greece whose sole aim has been and is to annex Cyprus to Greece.

The establishment of the Federal Turkish State is the only safeguard for an independent and non-aligned Cyprus.

The Turkish Cypriot labour movement has, in the past, repeatedly made it known that no legitimate government exists in Cyprus and the Makarios Administration has no legal or constitutional rights to represent Cyprus internally or abroad. Therefore, we would strongly object recognition and consideration of an application by the United Nations of the Greek Cypriot Administration as representing Cyprus Republic.

My organization whole-heartedly supported the establishment of the Federal Turkish State; the establishment of which, we believe, constitutes a positive step towards finding a peaceful solution to the Cyprus problem on a bi-regional federal state.

We strongly appeal to you to urge the Greek Cypriot leadership to abandon its irreconcilable attitude and to start negotiations in good faith with the Turkish Cypriot Community.

(Signed) Necati TAŞKIN
General Secretary
Cyprus Turkish Trade Unions Federation
