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Letter dated 16 January 1980 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 16 January 1980 addressed to you by Mr. Nail Atalay, representative of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Question of Cyprus", and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Orhan ERALP
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Letter dated 16 January 1980 from Mr. Nail Atalay
to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to attach herewith a letter dated 10 January 1980 addressed to you by His Excellency Mr. Rauf R. Denktas, President of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Question of Cyprus", and of the Security Council.

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

APPENDIX

Letter dated 10 January 1980 from Mr. Rauf R. Denktas
to the Secretary-General

I have noted with deep regret a new move by the Greek Cypriot administration aimed at misleading world opinion and gaining unjustifiable support for the case it has been pursuing over Cyprus in international fora, at a time when utmost care is needed to prevent the undermining of the chance of resuming the intercommunal negotiations now in recess.

Recently, the Greek Cypriot administration has invited the Inter-Parliamentary Union's Sub-Committee on "The Prevention of Mediterranean's Pollution" to hold its second meeting in south Cyprus between 25 and 27 February.

Had the convening of the Sub-Committee in the south not been used by Greek Cypriot leaders as a means of propaganda against the Turkish Cypriot side, we would have merely expressed regret that the Turkish co-founder partner of the bi-national Republic of Cyprus had been ignored despite the fact that enforcement in the eastern Mediterranean of any measure to be recommended by the Sub-Committee would require co-operation of the two sides in the island. But this is not the case. The approach of the Greek Cypriot side to the matter has a bearing on its stand with regard to the Cyprus question and to efforts made to find a lasting solution to the problem.

As evidence of the above I would like to draw your attention to the letter Mr. Michaelides, the Greek Cypriot House President, has sent to the member countries of the aforementioned Sub-Committee inviting them to south Cyprus in the so-called capacity of "The Cyprus Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union" and note that it not only ignores the Turkish Cypriot wing of the bi-national Republic of Cyprus and wrongly presents the Greek Cypriot administration as the "Government", but also violates the letter and spirit of the 10-Point Denktas-Kyprianou agreement in general and point 6 of the same agreement in particular.

For ease of reference I submit herewith a quotation of the above-mentioned letter, feeling confident that it clearly reveals the continuing intention of Greek Cypriot leaders to exploit international fora against their Turkish counterpart and confirms the violation of the abovesaid agreement:

"Passenger visiting the Republic of Cyprus may enter the Republic only through the legal ports of entry which are Larnaca International Airport or the ports of Larnaca, Limassol and Paphos. The ports of Famagusta, Kyrenia and Karavostassi as well as Tymbou Airport which are in the area of Cyprus occupied by Turkish forces have been declared by Government of Cyprus as prohibited ports of entry and no visitor is allowed to enter the Republic through these ports."

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While protesting Greek Cypriot moves to exploit international fora against the Turkish Cypriot side, I would like to bring to your attention the fact that the above quotation clearly confirms existence of a Greek Cypriot embargo against the Turkish community and stress that the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus has taken serious note of this flagrant violation of the 10-Point agreement.

It is the conviction of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus that unless the Greek-Cypriot side abandons its negative stand and honours agreements it has signed with regard to holding meaningful and result-oriented talks for a peaceful solution of the Cyprus problem the chances of having the negotiations resumed will continue to weaken.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Question of Cyprus", and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Rauf R. DENKTAS
President
of the Turkish Federated State
of Cyprus