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LETTER DATED 14 FEBRUARY 1975 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF GREECE TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to inform you that I have been instructed by my Government to draw your attention to the latest serious developments in Cyprus, following the proclamation of the Turkish-occupied territory as "a separate federated state in alfuture Cyprus federation".

This decision, which is practically equivalent to a proclamation of a separate Turkish Cypriot state, has been immediately approved by the Turkish Prime Minister, who qualified it as "an act of peace".

It is obvious, in view of the above, that the Turkish-Cypriot act is nothing but a continuation of the policy of faits accomplis based on the cruel use of force.

It is also obvious that the sole fact that this proclamation took place without any prior examination of a very constructive plan for the solution of the Cyprus problem, submitted only two days ago by Mr. Clerides, proves that Turkey and her instrument, Mr. Denktash, never had the intention to proceed to serious negotiations. If additional proof of their bad faith were needed, the obstructive attitude of the Turkish-Cypriot side during the talks and the measures which are being systematically taken aimed at transforming the character of the occupied territory to a Turkish province leave no doubt as to the real Turkish intentions. They also demonstrate very clearly, even to those who had given faith to the assurances provided by Ankara, the criminal character of the Turkish invasion of last July and unveil that Turkey's immovable goal was the establishment of a separate Turkish-Cypriot entity in the territory of Cyprus.

Furthermore, the unilateral declaration of the creation of a federated state, under any cover or camouflage, goes directly against the resolutions adopted by the Security Council and the General Assembly on the Cyprus question.

The Greek Government shall not recognize faits accomplis and reserves to itself its rights, emanating from the existing Treaties. It strongly hopes, that

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all Member States will condemn and oppose the action of the Turkish-Cypriot leadership, which reveals deep contempt of the international society and tends to overthrow the international rule of law.

I would be grateful if you could have this letter circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Denis CARAYANNIS Ambassador Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations