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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 25 February 1975 addressed to you by Mr. Vedat A. Çelik, Representative 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.

(<u>Signed</u>) Osman OLCAY
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

## Letter dated 25 February 1975 from Mr. Vedat A. Çelik addressed to the Secretary-General

I have been instructed by the President of the Federated Turkish State of Cyprus Republic, His Excellency Mr. R. R. Denktaş, to bring the following to Your Excellency's urgent attention:

1. The Greek Cypriot Administration still continues to prohibit the reunification of divided families, including the transfer of children under 10 years of age to where their parents are living. Master Osman Kemal (7 years of age) and Master Okan Kemal (4 years of age) who are presently in Gökçebel (Anadyu) at Paphos in the south and are being prevented from joining their parents in Nicosia are only two of hundreds of similar cases.

The Greek Cypriot Administration has informed the Red Cross officially that they will not allow such transfers, no matter how deserving the cases may be.

2. There are also hundreds of mid-school and high-school students stranded in the south and deprived of schooling facilities. Permission is also refused to these students to go to the North and resume their studies.

Furthermore, the Greek students in the north who are likewise without schools and teachers and who want to go south are not granted permission to do so by the Greek Cypriot Administration.

- 3. The transfer of sick persons and pregnant women has likewise been stopped.
- 4. The Honourable Ahmet Aziz, member of the Constituent Assembly of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus Republic, and formerly a member of the Turkish Cypriot House of Representatives, and his family who are stranded in Paphos since July 1974, are still persistently being refused permission to come to Nicosia.

It should be noted that Honourable A. Aziz, who is also a retired schoolmaster, is 70 years old.

Efforts made by UNFICYP and the Red Cross with regard to these cases have unfortunately failed to yield any positive results.

The exploitation by the Greek Cypriot side, of these and similar humanitarian cases for political purposes is deplorable and should be discontinued without any further delay.

Your Excellency's good offices for the urgent solution of these pressing humanitarian problems will be very much appreciated.

I shall be grateful if Your Excellency will kindly circulate this letter as a Security Council document.

(<u>Signed</u>) Vedat A. ÇELIK Representative of the Federated Turkish State of Cyprus Republic