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Letter dated 7 May 1998 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter dated 4 May 1998 (A/52/885-S/1998/370), I have the honour to draw your attention to further violations of the airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and of the flight information region of Nicosia by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force.

The new violations occurred on 6 May 1998, when two F-16 fighter aircraft of the Turkish Air Force entered the Nicosia flight information region at 1011 hours from a north-westerly direction, violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus north of the town of Kyrenia and exited the Nicosia flight information region at 1028 hours.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, I wish to strongly protest once more against these new violations of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus, which are in complete disregard of the Charter of the United Nations, the relevant decisions of the Organization on the question of Cyprus as well as the international civil aviation regulations.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 61, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Sotirios ZACKHEOS

Ambassador

Permanent Representative

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