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Informe anual del Alto Comisionado de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos e informes de la Oficina del Alto Comisionado y del Secretario General

Nota verbal de fecha 31 de marzo de 2025 dirigida a la Oficina del Alto Comisionado de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos por la Misión Permanente de Chipre ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas en Ginebra

La Misión Permanente de la República de Chipre ante la Oficina de las Naciones Unidas en Ginebra y otras organizaciones internacionales con sede en Suiza tiene el honor de transmitir adjuntas las observaciones del Gobierno de Chipre en respuesta a la declaración formulada por Türkiye y Azerbaiyán durante el debate general celebrado en el marco del tema 2 de la agenda del 58º período de sesiones del Consejo de Derechos Humanos (véase el anexo).

La Misión Permanente de Chipre solicita a la Oficina del Alto Comisionado de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos que tenga a bien distribuir la presente nota verbal y su anexo* como documento del Consejo de Derechos Humanos en relación con el tema 2 de la agenda.

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**Anexo de la nota verbal de fecha 31 de marzo
de 2025 dirigida a la Oficina del Alto Comisionado
de las Naciones Unidas para los Derechos Humanos
por la Misión Permanente de Chipre ante la Oficina
de las Naciones Unidas en Ginebra**

**Response by the Government of the Republic of Cyprus to the
statements made by Türkiye and Azerbaijan during the item 2 general
debate, at HRC58**

We strongly reject the unfounded allegations against the Republic of Cyprus. The Turkish claims are nothing more of an attempt to shift focus away from Turkiye's responsibility for the ongoing violations of human rights in the occupied areas of Cyprus.

The annual report of the OHCHR on the question of human rights in Cyprus serves as a stark reminder of the negative impact of the Turkish invasion and continued occupation of the northern part of the island. These actions continue to infringe upon the human rights of all Cypriots.

Claims regarding the alleged treatment of Turkish Cypriots by the government of the Republic of Cyprus prior to Turkiye's invasion are baseless, thoroughly rebutted by the European Court of Human Rights.

The credibility of international law and the UN system is seriously undermined when states like Turkiye violate the UN Charter and then urge the international community to overlook these violations due to the passage of time. We categorically reject all allegations regarding any so-called unilateral right of Turkiye to intervene in and occupy Cyprus. The Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974 was a clear violation of international law, the UN Charter and the Treaty of Guarantee. This illegal act has been condemned by Security Council resolutions, including Resolutions 37/253 (1983), 541(1983) and 550 (1984).

The military occupation of northern Cyprus by Turkiye has victimized both communities and is directly responsible for whatever sense of "isolation" Turkish Cypriots may have experienced. We remind the delegation of Turkiye, and the delegation of Azerbaijan which regrettably echoes this narrative, that the authorities of the Republic of Cyprus have issued more than 110,000 passports and identity cards to Turkish Cypriots, fully respecting their rights as citizens of the Republic of Cyprus.

We call on Turkiye to withdraw its troops from Cyprus, abandon its "two states" policy, and commit to a solution on the basis of bizonal bicultural federation with political equality, in accordance with the relevant UNSC Resolutions.
