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## Further report of the Secretary-General on developments in Cyprus

1. The following information is based on reports from my Special Representative and the Force Commander of UNFICYP describing the situation in Cyprus at 2100 hours LT on 27 July and at 1600 hours and 2100 hours on 28 July 1974.

2. The situation has remained generally quiet in most of the Island except for the Kyrenia district. In that area, Turkish forces which had been previously reported operating west of the main Turkish Cypriot enclave as far as the Yerolakkos-Myrtou Road (S/11353/Add.9, para. 1), have now consolidated their positions in the area of Photta (AMR WE 2002). 1/ The villages of Karavas, Lapithos and Myrtou remain in National Guard hands. The village of Aiyos Ermolaos is virtually deserted and is held by Turkish forces.

3. On the eastern flank of the enclave, Turkish forces were engaged in heavy fighting with National Guard forces as from 1900 hours on 27 July in the area of Koutsovendis (AMR WE 3835). Tanks were involved in the fighting on the Turkish side. The village remained in National Guard hands as of the afternoon of 28 July. On the other hand, Buffavento Castle has been occupied by Turkish forces. At 1800 hours on 28 July fighting broke out along the coast line in the area of Ayios Epiktetos (AMR WE 3509), involving tanks and naval support on the Turkish side.

4. In Nicosia City Turkish Cypriot fighters have restricted access to their sector by UNFICYP to two entrances near the Ledra Palace Hotel. The fighters have also denied access to their former accommodations in the Green Line area to Canadian UNFICYP troops. UNFICYP Headquarters is seeking to negotiate this question with the Turkish Cypriot leadership.

5. The Force Commander has divided the Kyrenia district of UNFICYP (see S/11294, para. 5, and map) into two parts. The Finnish contingent has been given responsibility for the new Kyrenia (East) district, and the British contingent has been given responsibility for Kyrenia (West) district.

6. An increasing proportion of UNFICYP resources has been assigned to humanitarian activities. Most Turkish Cypriot villages throughout the Island

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<sup>1/</sup> AMR - approximate map reference.

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have been visited by UNFICYP. Many of them have been found deserted, the inhabitants having taken refuge elsewhere. UNFICYP is also making available its good offices to the parties with a view to making arrangements that would enable Greek Cypriots detained at Kyrenia and Bellapais, and Turkish Cypriots detained at Limassol and Larnaca, to return to their homes.

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