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Letter dated 22 September 1983 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 22 September 1983 addressed to you by Mr. Nail Atalay, representative of the Turkish Federated State of Kibris.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 41 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) A. Coskun KIRCA Ambassador Permanent Representative

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Letter dated 22 September 1983 from Mr. Nail Atalay to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the bonour to refer to the letter dated 17 August 1983 addressed to you by Mr. Constantine Moushoutas, the representative of the Greek Cypriot administration, which was circulated on 18 August 1983 as a United Nations document (A/38/348-S/15933).

The military exercises which Mr. Moushoutas mentions in his irrelevant letter took place within the boundaries of the Turkish Federated State of Kibris and were part of the routine exercises carried out in accordance with a scheduled programme, prior written notification of which was duly provided to the UNFICYP authorities in Cyprus on 26 July 1983.

Since the said military exercises took place entirely within the territory and airspace of Northern Cyprus, the sovereignty of which indisputably belongs to the Turkish Federated State of Kibris, I fail to see any grounds for such clamourous protestations which unduly take up our valuable time and that of the Secretariat. Barring, of course, the possibility that the Greek Cypriot administration is, once again, after cheap propaganda.

On behalf of my Government, I wish to express the hope that the Greek Cypriot administration will one day realize the futility of such flimsy protestations and will come round to recognizing the rights of others.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 41 of the provisional agenda, and of the Security Council.

(<u>Signed</u>) Nail ATALAY Representative of the Turkish Federated State of Kibris