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Letter dated 19 October 1979 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter dated 19 October 1979 addressed to you by Mr. Nail Atalay, the representative of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 21.

(Signed) Orhan ERALP
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

ANNEX

Letter dated 19 October 1979 from Mr. Nail Atalay to the President of the General Assembly

I have the honour to attach herewith the telex message dated 19 October 1979 addressed to Your Excellency by Mr. Mustafa Gençsoy, Chairman of the Cyprus-Turkish Association in London.

I should be grateful if this telex message were circulated as a document of the General Assembly under agenda item 21.

(Signed) Nail ATALAY

Representative of the
Turkish Federated State of Cyprus

APPENDIX

Message dated 19 October 1979 from Mr. Mustafa Gençsoy to the President of the General Assembly

Forty thousand Turkish Cypriots who live in London, and who are our natural members, strongly protest against what the Greek Cypriot leader Mr. Kyprianou said in his speech on Monday, 1 October 1979, about Turkey and the Turkish Cypriot leadership.

No Turk in the world can believe what Mr. Kyprianou uttered regarding the Greek Cypriot respect for human rights. Because every Turkish Cypriot suffered the meanest kind of violations of human rights for decades in the past until they were liberated by the Turkish army in 1974.

This is documented by ourselves and by the world press over the last two decades and it is far more accurate and concrete than the so-called report of the European Commission. Mr. Kyprianou has no right at all to speak on behalf of the Turkish Cypriots whom he and his gangsters slaughtered pitilessly.

On the other hand the Turkish army has brought peace and security to Cyprus and no Turkish Cypriot would wish it to withdraw from the island before a final settlement is reached. We are also for an independent, sovereign, integral and non-aligned Cyprus, but first of all we value peace and security, for this reason we are most grateful to the Turkish army.

Mr. Kyprianou, who prefers anti-Turkish propaganda to meaningful negotiations, has once again violated the 10-point agreement he concluded with our leader, Mr. Denktas, before its ink dried and took the course of spreading calumny against Turkey and the Turkish Cypriot leaders even in the United Nations which, we gather, is fully conscious that the Cyprus problem can only be solved through peaceful negotiations between the representatives of the two communities.

It is our ardent desire that the United Nations General Assembly would advise Mr. Kyprianou to return to the negotiating table instead of adopting destructive and unpracticable resolutions. This is the sincere view of all Turkish Cypriots. We beg Your Excellency to circulate our telegram as a document of genuine views of the Turkish Cypriot people to all delegates.

Mustafa GENÇSOY, Chairman of the Cyprus-Turkish Association in London