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I wish to refer to a letter (S/7777), circulated at the request of the representative of Turkey, in connexion with Kanlikeuy Dam and clarify the situation as follows:

The Government of Cyprus promptly agreed, after inspection, to allow the supply of the necessary sandbags and cement and to have a competent government official supervise the reinforcement of the dam - a government work. It was only due to the Turco-Cypriot rebel leadership's reaction in unreasonably obstructing, at first, entry of the government official into the area, that made it impossible for the works to start immediately. It is further worth noting, that at the time the representative of Turkey forwarded the above letter S/7777 to Your Excellency, the cement was already supplied and the works at the dam were well under way with the government official supervising and with the employment of Turkish labourers exclusively.

Your Excellency is kindly requested to have this letter circulated as a Security Council document.

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to the United Nations