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VIET NAM TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to forward herewith the statement dated 19 November 1983 by the spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on the situation in Cyprus.

I would like to request you to have it circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) HOANG BICH SON  
Permanent Representative

Annex

Statement dated 19 November 1983 by the spokesman for the  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of  
Viet Nam on the situation in Cyprus

On 15 November 1983, Turkish Cypriot authorities proclaimed the establishment of the so-called "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus".

This was another move in the long-lasting common design of imperialist and reactionary forces to divide Cyprus and to maintain it as a military base for carrying out their plans of intervention and aggression in the Middle East and Africa, thus threatening the peace and security in the Mediterranean and in the world.

The Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam resolutely supports the just struggle of the Cypriot people against imperialist and reactionary forces, in defence of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cyprus. It equally supports the judicious position of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus and the relevant resolutions of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries on Cyprus calling for a complete withdrawal of foreign troops from Cyprus, an end to all forms of interference in its internal affairs and the exercise of the Cypriot people's right to self-determination.

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