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LETTER DATED 11 JANUARY 1964 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF CYPRUS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to refer to my letters dated 26 and 28 December 1963 (S/5488 and S/5492) and 2 January 1964 (S/5502), relating to the complaint of the Republic of Cyprus against the Republic of Turkey, an issue of which the Security Council is already seized. In this connexion I have the honour to state the following:

On 2 January 1964 an agreement was reached between the Governments of Cyprus, the United Kingdom, Greece and Turkey for a conference to be held in London in an effort to resolve the difficulties which gave rise to the situation in Cyprus. However, since the agreement for the London conference was arrived at, successive steps have been taken by Turkey and by the leaders of the Turkish Cypriot community designed to (a) threaten the independence and territorial integrity of Cyprus, (b) to create unilaterally conditions calculated to prejudice the outcome of the Conference and (c) to wreck the very purpose for which the Conference is to be held, and to violate its spirit. Thus:

1. Dr. F. Kutchuk, the Vice-President of the Republic, of Turkish origin, acting in close co-operation with the Government of Turkey, has declared open rebellion against the Republic of Cyprus by unlawfully purporting to set up a bogus separate state within Nicosia and by terrorizing the moderate elements of the Turkish population through arbitrary arrests and threatened trials by Turkish underground organizations, in defiance of the established Constitution of the Republic, and in an attempt to destroy its unity and territorial integrity.

2. Mr. R. Donkash, President of the Turkish Communal Chamber, who only three days ago declared that there would be no claim for partition at the London Conference, soon after arriving in Ankara and conferring with the Turkish Government, made from Ankara official radio a broadcast calling for the partition

of Cyprus, in an unlawful attempt to destroy the unity and territorial integrity of Cyprus and in violation of the very basis of its Constitution.

3. These acts were made with the full knowledge, consent and co-operation of the Turkish Government who thereby violates the Treaty of Guarantee Article 2, under which the Turkish Government not only guarantees the territorial integrity of Cyprus but also undertakes the obligation to prohibit, so far as it is concerned "any activity aimed at promoting, directly or indirectly ... the partition of the island".

4. At the same time the Prime Minister of Turkey, Mr. Inonu, in a message to all Heads of Governments, basing himself on the above Treaty of Guarantee - which the Turkish Government is so flagrantly violating - claims the right of unilateral intervention by force in Cyprus, thereby conveying the threat that the Turkish Government can, and may, at any moment intervene in Cyprus by attack, aggression or other use of force, in disregard of its obligations under the Charter of the United Nations.

These facts constitute a new and graver threat against the security, independence and territorial integrity of Cyprus and makes it incumbent upon me to bring them to the notice of the members of the Security Council and to alert the Council of the growing danger of such intervention, which will be far reaching in its evil consequences in the area and on world peace.

I would request Your Excellency to be good enough to have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

Please accept, etc.

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to the United Nations