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LETTER DATED 1 MAY 1964 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TURKEY
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to submit enclosed herewith the text of a telegram addressed to Your Excellency by Dr. Fazıl Küçük, Vice-President of the Republic of Cyprus. This message was delayed due to technical difficulties.

I shall be obliged to Your Excellency if you would kindly circulate the text of this telegram as a document of the Security Council.

I avail myself of this opportunity etc.

(Signed) Orhan ERALP
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
Turkey to the United Nations

PRESIDENT
SECURITY COUNCIL
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I FIND MYSELF UNDER OBLIGATION TO APPEAL TO YOU TO TAKE IMMEDIATE AND EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO STOP GREEK ELEMENTS IN GOVERNMENT AND GREEK LEADERS FROM ATTACKING AND CRUSHING BY FORCE OF ARMS, IN COMPLETE DISREGARD OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION, THE TURKISH COMMUNITY WITH OBJECT TO ELIMINATE IT AND THUS DICTATE THEIR POLITICAL CONDITIONS. SINCE THE UNITED NATIONS FORCE BECAME OPERATIONAL THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS UNFORTUNATELY HAS WORSENEED, AS GREEKS CONTINUE TO PREPARE THEMSELVES BY BUILDING NEW FORTIFICATIONS EVERYWHERE EVEN IN TURKISH OWNED HOUSES WHICH THEY OCCUPIED BY FORCE AND WHICH ARE SITUATED IN AREAS OVERLOOKING THE GREEN LINE IN NICOSIA. THEY HAVE ALSO CONTINUED WITH ORGANIZING AND ARMING THEIR NATIONAL GUARD WHICH THEY EMBODIED IN THE SECURITY FORCES OF THE STATE WHICH AT PRESENT TOTAL 40,000 MEN. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS, MAKARIOS IMPORTED A GREEK NATIONAL, GENERAL KARAYANI, FROM GREECE AND ENTRUSTED THE ORGANIZATION OF HIS SO-CALLED SECURITY FORCES OF THE STATE TO HIM, WHILST IN GREECE HE OPENLY THREATENED THAT HIS SECURITY FORCES COULD CRUSH TURKS WITHIN A MATTER OF HOURS. SIGNIFICANT TO NOTE THAT SOON AFTER ARRIVAL OF THIS GENERAL IN ISLAND AN ALL-OUT AND PRE-PLANNED ATTACK LED BY MINISTER OF INTERIOR HAS BEEN LAUNCHED AGAINST TURKS IN THE KYRENIA RANGE. ALSO SIGNIFICANT TO NOTE THAT IN A PUBLIC STATEMENT MADE BY THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR ON THE EVE OF THIS ATTACK HE STATED THAT EVERY ADULT WILL BE MADE A FIGHTER, WHEREAS THE GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE HIM WITH THE NECESSARY GUNS FOR THE SAKE OF THE COUNTRY. AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE ALL TRYING TO CREATE PEACEFUL CONDITIONS AND TRYING TO SECURE DISARMAMENT WITHOUT WHICH THERE CAN BE NO RETURN TO NORMAL CONDITIONS, THE ATTITUDE AND ACTIONS OF THE RESPONSIBLE GREEK LEADERS AND ESPECIALLY THOSE IN THE GOVERNMENT ARE IN COMPLETE DEFIANCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTION WHICH CALLS UPON ALL MEMBER STATES TO REFRAIN FROM ANY ACTION OR THREAT OF ACTION LIKELY TO WORSEN THE SITUATION IN CYPRUS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED ALSO THAT THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR, USURPING THE FUNCTIONS OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE IN VIOLATION OF BASIC ARTICLES OF THE CONSTITUTION, HAS PUBLICLY ACCUSED, MALICIOUSLY AND FALSELY, THE LEGITIMATE MINISTER OF DEFENCE, WHO IS A TURK, OF PLOTTING AGAINST THE STATE.

THIS IS A REPETITION OF THE THREAT WHICH THE MINISTER OF INTERIOR HAS USED AGAINST AND THUS PREVENTED THE ENTRY INTO CYPRUS OF THE TURKISH COMMUNAL LEADER, RAUF DENKTAS. FOR HOW LONG WILL UNITED NATIONS, WHICH STANDS FOR PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, TOLERATE SUCH BRUTAL VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF TURKS IN THIS COUNTRY AND FOR HOW LONG WILL IT PERMIT THE GREEK LEADERS AND GREEK ELEMENTS IN THE GOVERNMENT TO ACT IN DEFIANCE OF UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTION? HOW CAN UNITED NATIONS ACCEPT AND COOPERATE WITH A GOVERNMENT, WHOSE MINISTER OF INTERIOR THOUGH SUPPOSED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR KEEPING LAW AND ORDER LEADS AND DIRECTS ATTACKS AGAINST THE WHOLE COMMUNITY IN A MOST BRUTAL AND INHUMAN MANNER? REQUEST COPIES OF THIS CABLE BE CIRCULATED TO MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK
VICE-PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS

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