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LETTER DATED 8 JUNE 1964 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TURKEY
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to submit enclosed the copy of a letter addressed to His Excellency the Secretary-General of the United Nations, by Dr. Fazıl Küçük, Vice-President of the Republic of Cyprus, for the information of the members of the Security Council.

I will be obliged to Your Excellency if you will kindly circulate the text of this letter 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

YOUR EXCELLENCY,

MR. ZENON ROSSIDDES, STILL CLAIMING TO BE CHIEF DELEGATE OF CYPRUS AT UNITED NATIONS, ACCUSED ME AGAIN ON 3 JUNE OF SUBVERSIVE AND PARTITIONIST ACTIVITIES AND REPEATED THE OBSOLETE GREEK ALLEGATION THAT I HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM GOVERNMENT AND HAVE RELINQUISHED MY FUNCTIONS AS VICE-PRESIDENT.

GENERAL GYANI HIMSELF STATED RECENTLY IN FAMAGUSTA THAT NO TURK IS SAFE OUTSIDE PURELY TURKISH AREAS AND IT IS A FACT EASILY VERIFIABLE AT UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS THAT NO LESS THAN EIGHTY-TWO INNOCENT TURKS HAVE BEEN TAKEN AS HOSTAGES ON STREETS AND AT PLACES OF WORK IN GREEK AREAS AND ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THESE HAVE BEEN FRUTALLY MURDERED BY GREEKS SINCE UNITED NATIONS FORCE BECAME OPERATIONAL IN CYPRUS. AMONGST THESE WAS THE TURKISH ASSISTANT MANAGER OF BARCLAYS BANK IN FAMAGUSTA WHO TOOK THE RISK TO GO TO WORK AT GREEK QUARTER OF TOWN AND MOST PROBABLY PAID FOR IT BY LOSING HIS LIFE. AND YET ROSSIDDES STILL HAS THE AUDACITY TO CLAIM THAT I HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM GOVERNMENT. I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT ROSSIDDES WOULD HAVE LIKED TO SEE ME AND THE TURKISH MINISTERS PAY WITH OUR LIVES FOR A RISK SIMILAR TO THAT TAKEN BY TURKISH BANK MANAGER IN FAMAGUSTA AND OTHERS. IT IS COMMON KNOWLEDGE BY NOW THAT GREEKS LAUNCHED A BRUTAL ATTACK ON TURKISH COMMUNITY IN DECEMBER LAST WITH THE VIEW TO TERRORIZING TURKS INTO SUBSERVIENT TO THEM SO THAT THEY REMOVE TURKISH OBSTACLE TO THEIR SINISTER DESIGNS.

IT IS ALSO KNOWN TO EVERY IMPARTIAL OBSERVER THAT I SHOWED MAXIMUM GOODWILL AND TOLERANCE IN THE THREE YEARS OF THE REPUBLIC TO ENSURE VIABILITY OF THE STATE AND SINCE THE OUTBREAK OF VIOLENCE I HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING RESPECT FOR CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER AND RETURN TO NORMALITY AND PEACEFUL ACTIVITIES. MAKARIOS GAVE NO RESPONSE TO ALL THE APPEALS I HAVE MADE TO HIM AND THE APPEAL I MADE ONLY YESTERDAY TO HIM FOR A DECLARATION THAT PENDING THE FINDING OF A SOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO THE PARTIES HE WILL RESPECT THE CONSTITUTION AND FOR A MEETING TO ENABLE MYSELF AND TURKISH MINISTERS TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS HAS BEEN REJECTED OUT OF HAND AND YET HIS REPRESENTATIVE AT UNITED NATIONS ACCUSES ME OF WITHDRAWING FROM GOVERNMENT. ROSSIDDES ALSO REFERS TO COLLUSION BETWEEN MYSELF AND A FOREIGN POWER, NO DOUBT HE MEANS TURKEY, TO ENABLE THAT POWER TO INVADE CYPRUS. IT IS NOT FOR ME TO DEFEND TURKEY'S ATTITUDE IN THIS MATTER BUT IT SHOULD SUFFICE TO POINT OUT HERE THAT TURKEY IS NOT AFTER TERRITORIAL EXPANSION

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AND THAT WHOLE WORLD HAS ONLY ADMIRATION FOR RESTRAINT TURKEY EXERCISED DESPITE HER CONTRACTUAL RIGHT OF INTERVENTION AS GUARANTOR POWER IN ORDER TO RESTORE CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER IN CYPRUS. GREEKS SHOULD MADE TO REALIZE THAT TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE BASED UPON DISTORTIONISM AND LIES ARE OF NO AVAIL IN ACHIEVING SINISTER OBJECTIVES IN TWENTIETH CENTURY BEFORE THE EYES OF THE WORLD. MAY I REQUEST THAT THIS TELEGRAM BE CIRCULATED TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

DR. FAZIL KÜÇÜK
VICE-PRESIDENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS

