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LETTER DATED 20 JULY 1964 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF TURKEY
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to refer to Security Council document S/5815 of 14 July 1964, in which the Permanent Representative of Cyprus levels certain baseless allegations against the Turkish Government.

That letter, read in conjunction with another letter of the same author (document S/5820 of 15 July) concerning a Note delivered by the Government of Cyprus to the Turkish Embassy in Nicosia, constitutes a clear indication that the Greek Cypriot usurpers of government are now preparing for a fresh large-scale criminal assault on the Turkish Cypriot Community. The above-mentioned allegations and Note are evidently intended to prepare the political groundwork and the necessary smoke-screen for such an act of aggression.

The events of the last few days around the village of Temblos in the Kyrenia area, as reported by United Nations authorities, bear out that indication. In fact the Greek Cypriots have besieged the village of Temblos with a considerable amount of heavy weapons, including two twenty-five pound pieces of field artillery, two 40 mm. Bofors type anti-aircraft guns and eight mortars. Units of the UNFICYP are now attempting to instil reason in the trigger-happy and murderously-inclined Greek Cypriot bands.

It would seem that the Greek Cypriot leadership are anxious to rekindle the flame of aggression in order to hamstring the present efforts of the United Nations Mediator in Geneva and to impose their chosen nefarious solution by force.

I shall be obliged if Your Excellency would be so kind as to have this letter circulated as a Security Council document.

Please accept, etc.

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Turkey to the United Nations

