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Letter dated 19 April 1984 from the Permanent Representative of
Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to bring to your urgent attention and that of the members of the Security Council and of the General Assembly, an ominous turn of developments in Cyprus, as a result of Turkish illegal actions in violation of the provisions of Security Council resolution 541 (1983).

According to the illegal radio "Bayrak" which broadcasts from the occupied areas of the Republic of Cyprus, Turkey and the offspring of its aggression in those areas officially exchanged "ambassadors" on 17 April 1984. The radio reported that, at a special ceremony in Ankara, a certain Turkish Cypriot Mr. Peker Turgud presented his so-called credentials to the President of Turkey, Mr. Kenan Evren, as the first "ambassador" to Turkey. This purported ambassador was accepted by Mr. Evren with full military honours.

Meanwhile in the Turkish occupied areas of the Republic of Cyprus, the Turkish envoy, Mr. Inal Batu, presented his "credentials" to Mr. Denktash, as the first so-called ambassador of Turkey to the pseudo-State in the areas of the Republic of Cyprus still under the military occupation of Turkey.

The Government of the Republic of Cyprus, in strongly denouncing and protesting these provocative Turkish actions, declares that it considers them entirely unacceptable, illegal and arbitrary. Moreover, these actions are ab initio and totally invalid, for no "State" exists in the territory of Cyprus occupied by Turkey, but an illegal puppet secessionist régime, whose setting up by Turkey was universally condemned.

The Turkish arrogance and intransigence is even more striking if one takes into account the fact that the so-called exchange of ambassadors took place while Your Excellency's Special Representative was at your request in Cyprus, on an urgent mission, in pursuance of your new personal initiative and involvement.

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The recent actions of Turkey prove once again its total contempt for the United Nations Organization, the international community, international law and world public opinion as well as its consistent state policy of dismembering the Republic of Cyprus.

Upon instructions from my Government, I wish once again emphatically to protest the above illegalities of Turkey which are in clear violation of the mandatory Security Council resolution 541 (1983) and, as Your Excellency stated on 17 April 1984, place in jeopardy your current effort.

It is to be earnestly hoped that, realizing the grave situation which has been created by the Turkish actions, which challenge the authority and the prestige of the United Nations, you will find it necessary, and indeed urgent, to proceed immediately to such measures for arresting and reversing this Turkish new action of aggression against the sovereignty and unity of the Republic of Cyprus.

I should be grateful if this letter were circulated as a document of the thirty-eighth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 41, and of the Security Council.

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