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Letter dated 11 May 1984 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus
to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to bring to your urgent attention and to that of the members of the General Assembly and of the Security Council the new illegal actions of Turkey aimed at the further colonization of the new town of Famagusta by persons other than its legitimate inhabitants.

According to reports from the Turkish Cypriot press (Kibris Postasi, of 8 and 9 May 1984), since 5 May 1984 "war veterans" who participated in the Turkish invasion of Cyprus have been occupying four shops and a small boarding house (hotel) in the new town of Famagusta. It has also been stated, according to the same paper, that a large shop in the same area has been allocated to a "high official".

The "war veterans", who have carried out the above illegal actions with the encouragement and support of the occupation forces of Turkey, have stated in the same paper that they have taken these steps in order to eliminate the dreams of the Greek Cypriots (the legitimate owners of the properties and lands of the occupied areas), who look at Varosha like a "cat looks at liver". The same "war veterans" have stated in the paper that they are angry over the attitude of a political party leader in the occupied areas who has adopted an attitude against them. The anger is coupled with threats to "wipe out this man".

The fact that the above-mentioned illegal actions of further colonization of the new town of Famagusta come at a time when the Security Council is meeting to consider the grave situation in Cyprus, resulting from the continuous violations by Turkey of the Council's mandatory resolution 541 (1983), should serve as further indisputable evidence of Ankara's unrepentant attitude and its sinister designs and duplicity.

It is clear by now that the Turkish Government persists with recalcitrance in its partitionist and annexationist policies aimed at destroying the Republic of Cyprus while, at the same time, it flouts with arrogance the will of the international community as expressed in numerous United Nations resolutions on Cyprus.

There can be no doubt that if these unacceptable actions were to continue unchecked, it would be imperative for the United Nations and, particularly, for the Security Council to consider adopting, as a matter of urgency, the necessary measures for the long-overdue implementation of its mandatory resolutions on Cyprus.

On behalf of my Government, I wish to protest strongly the above-mentioned new aggressive actions of Turkey against the Republic of Cyprus and stress once again the grave repercussions that such serious deterioration of the situation would entail for peace and security in the area and the world at large.

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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