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Letter dated 5 July 1984 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to draw Your Excellency's attention and that of the members of the Security Council to new Turkish secessionist acts which are in clear violation of Council resolutions 541 (1983) of 18 November 1983 and 550 (1984) of 11 May 1984. According to the Turkish Cypriot newspaper <u>Kibris Postasi</u> of 29 June 1984, the so-called Minister of Finance of the "T.R.N.C." is reported to have stated that a "Central Bank of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus" will begin operating in the occupied areas of the Republic of Cyprus and that the exact date to be fixed for the opening depends on the arrival of dignitaries from Turkey.

The establishment of a "Central Bank" is an additional illegal act on the part of the Turkish side aimed at entrenching the secessionist state and at giving effect to long-term Turkish designs for the geographical, political, economic and social division of Cyprus. Moreover, the intended dispatch of Turkish dignitaries to mark the occasion of the opening of the Bank constitutes additional evidence that the act, like those which preceded it, was conceived and directed and is being executed by Turkey, which exercises absolute control over the puppet entity set up to serve the sinister aims of Ankara.

Turkey, having failed to obtain recognition for this illegal entity by any Member State, is now striving to attract, by insidious means, indirect recognition through the so-called establishment of a Central Bank in the occupied areas and by offering economic incentives in the form of "free trade areas".

Your Excellency and the members of the Security Council will recall that, following the attempted secession of November 1983, the Security Council adopted resolution 541 (1983) and, in the face of further secessionist acts, the Council

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> adopted resolution 550 (1984) by which it condemned all secessionist actions and reiterated its call upon all States not to recognize the purported state of the "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus", set up by secessionist acts, nor to facilitate or in any way assist the aforesaid entity.

Apart from violating these binding resolutions of the Security Council, the Turkish action of setting up a "Central Bank" also violates the expressed provisions of General Assembly resolutions on Cyprus, in particular resolutions 34/30 of 20 November 1979 and 37/253 of 13 May 1983, in which, <u>inter alia</u>, the Assembly affirmed the right of the Republic of Cyprus and its people to full and effective sovereignty and control over the entire territory of Cyprus and called upon the parties concerned to refrain from any action which violated or was designed to violate the independence, unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus.

Notwithstanding those Security Council and General Assembly decisions and resolutions, as well as the world condemnation of the secessionist actions, and despite recent Turkish pronouncements of moderation, Ankara and its surrogates in the occupied areas persist in their partitionist designs, portending further imminent dangers to the sovereignty and unity of Cyprus and to the well-being of the people of the Republic as a whole.

The economic problems presently confronting the Turkish community, and which the creation of a "Central Bank" allegedly aims at alleviating, are the direct result of the military occupation by Turkey and its separatist and divisive policies which forcibly keep the Turkish Cypriot community outside the mainstream of the economic growth of our homeland. The solution to these grave problems can be found in economic unity and co-operation under conditions of peace and stability and in the strengthening of the historic common bonds between our people. Schemes such as the creation of a second Central Bank (absolutely unacceptable in any country whether its system is federal or unitary), aiming at perpetuating economic and social division, will have calamitous repercussions for the people of Cyprus as a whole. They are also bound to undermine Your Excellency's mission of good offices which, of necessity, depends on a climate of political and economic stability for its success.

We therefore rely on Your Excellency's well-tested diplomatic skills, on the vast moral and other power of your high office and on the members of the Security Council to take immediate action as warranted by the situation in order to arrest and reverse these ominous developments, preserving thus the economic unity of our country, and to ensure full compliance with Security Council resolutions on Cyprus, in particular Council resolutions 541 (1983) and 550 (1984).

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.

(<u>Signed</u>) Constantine MOUSHOUTAS Ambassador Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations