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QUESTION OF CYPRUS

Report of the Special Political Committee

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- 1. At its 4th plenary meeting, on 21 September 1979, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item "Question of Cyprus: report of the Secretary-General" in its agenda and to consider it directly in plenary meeting on the understanding that the General Assembly would, when considering the item, invite the Special Political Committee to meet for the purpose of affording representatives of the Cypriot communities an opportunity to take the floor in the Committee in order to express their views, and that the Assembly would then resume its consideration of the item, taking into account the report of the Special Political Committee.
- 2. At its 68th plenary meeting, on 15 November, the General Assembly decided to invite the Special Political Committee to meet on the same day, in the afternoon, for the purpose of hearing the views of the representatives of the Cypriot communities and that there would be verbatim coverage of that meeting. Furthermore, the Assembly decided that it would resume its consideration of the item on 16 November.
- 3. In accordance with the above-mentioned decision of the General Assembly, the Special Political Committee held a meeting on 15 November, in the course of which it heard a statement by Mr. George Ioannides, representative of the Greek Cypriot community. The statement is reproduced in the verbatim record of the meeting (A/SPC/34/PV.33).
- 4. At its 33rd meeting, the Committee decided to submit immediately a report to the General Assembly in accordance with the decision mentioned in paragraph 2 above, bearing in mind the decision of the Assembly to meet again on 16 November for further consideration of the item.