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YOUR TELNO 754: CYPRUS: INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS

1. THIS IS REASONABLY ENCOURAGING, BUT WE SHARE YOUR CONCERN ABOUT TIMING: TO THINK IN TERMS OF MID-SEPTEMBER FOR UN ACTION MAY BE REALISTIC, BUT THE RISKS OF SLIPPAGE WILL BE STRONG. THE SECRETARIAT'S WISH TO AVOID A 'UN PROPOSALS' LABEL IS UNDERSTANDABLE, IF REGRETTABLE. BUT THE TERMINOLOGY MAY BE UNIMPORTANT: WHAT IS ESSENTIAL IS THAT THE UN'S IDEAS EMERGE IN A BALANCED AND COMPREHENSIVE FORM, WHICH THE WESTERN PARTNERS COULD SUPPORT AND THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL BE CLEARLY SEEN TO BE 100 PERCENT BEHIND ANY INITIATIVE GOBBI TAKES: THE GREEK CYPRIOTS IN PARTICULAR WILL RUTHLESSLY EXPLOIT ANY SUGGESTION TO THE CONTRARY.
2. FOR WASHINGTON, PARIS, BONN AND ROME: IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY ACTED ON MY TELNO 146, YOU SHOULD ADDITIONALLY DRAW ON THE ABOVE AND ON UKMIS TUR.

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