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MY TELNO 1029 : TURKISH CYPRIOT UDI : FRENCH REACTIONS.

1. THE QUAI ISSUED A STATEMENT LAST NIGHT DENOUNCING QUOTE DENONCE SANS RESERVES UNQUOTE DENKTASH'S ACTION WHICH IT DESCRIBED AS A SERIOUS BLOW TO THE INTEGRITY, SOVEREIGNTY AND UNITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS. THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT COULD NOT POSSIBLY ACCEPT THIS FAIT ACCOMPLI WHICH RAN COMPLETELY COUNTER TO SECURITY COUNCIL AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTIONS.

2. WHEN WE TOOK ACTION WITH THE SOUS DIRECTEUR FOR SOUTHERN EUROPE IN QUAI ON YOUR TELNO 747 TO UKMIS NEW YORK, GODECHOT SAID THAT AT FIRST GLANCE THE UK DRAFT SEEMED REASONABLE BUT HE WONDERED IF IT WOULD BE STRONG ENOUGH FOR THE GREEKS AND GREEK CYPRIOTS. HE ALSO NOTED THE ABSENCE OF ANY REFERENCE TO ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ADDING, HOWEVER, THAT THE CYPRIOTS THEMSELVES DID NOT SEEM SO FAR TO BE DEMANDING THIS. PERHPAS THEY WERE AFRAID THAT SUCH MEASURES WOULD CONSECRATE PARTITION OR EVEN PUSH THE NORTH TOWARDS UNION

TO BE DEMANDING THIS. PERHPAS THEY WERE AFRAID THAT SUCH MEASURES WOULD CONSECRATE PARTITION OR EVEN PUSH THE NORTH TOWARDS UNION WITH TURKEY. A PROPOS OF THE FRENCH STATEMENT , GODECHOT SAID THAT AVOIDANCE OF THE TERM QUOTE CONDEMN UNQUOTE HAD BEEN DELIBERATE.

3. YESTERDAY, WHEN WE WERE TAKING ACTION ON YOUR TELNO 305 TO ANKARA GODECHOT SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THEIR BAD RELATIONS WITH TURKEY THE FRENCH HAD POOR ACCESS IN ANKARA. HE ASKED FOR ANY INFORMATION WE COULD GIVE THEM ABOUT TURKISH REACTIONS. TODAY WE THEREFORE GAVE HIM THE GIST OF ANKARA TELNOS 553 AND 554, TAKING CARE NOT TO MAKE THE TURKS SOUND TOO NEGATIVE. GODECHOT SAID THAT THE QUAM HAD SUMMONED THE TURKISH AMBASSADOR THIS MORNING TO SEEK AN EXPLANATION FOR TURKISH RECOGNITION OF THE NEW ENTITY. THE AMBASSADOR HAD TAKEN A SIMILAR LINE TO TURKMEN.

4. THERE HAS NOT BEEN MUCH COMMENT IN THE FRENCH PRESS. LE MONDE, HOWEVER, WRINGS HIS HANDS OVER THE FAILURE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THE UN, BRITAIN AND THE US, TO PREVENT CYPRUS' HEADING FOR PARTITION.

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