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CYPRUS: UN SECRETARY GENERAL'S INITIATIVE

SUMMARY

1. UN SECRETARY GENERAL ASKS FOR UK, U.S. AND FRG INTERVENTION IN ANKARA.

DETAIL

2. THE SECRETARY GENERAL DREW ME ASIDE AT LUNCH TODAY AND TOLD ME, IN CONFIDENCE, OF A CONVERSATION HE HAD HAD THAT MORNING WITH THE TURKISH PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE. KIRCA HAD SAID THAT ANKARA WERE LOOKING ON THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S POINTS FAVOURABLY, AND THAT ANKARA THOUGHT THE TURKISH-CYPRIOTS WOULD PROBABLY BE PREPARED TO MOVE ON TO THE SECOND STAGE OF THE INITIATIVE. KIRCA HAD ASKED THAT THE UK, USA AND FRG SHOULD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S EFFORTS THROUGH THE USUAL DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS IN ANKARA.

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3. I COMMENTED THAT WE COULD NOT EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE PARTICULAR POINTS OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S INITIATIVE AS WE HAD NOT SEEN THEM OFFICIALLY: AND THAT WE WERE ALREADY ON RECORD ON MANY OCCASIONS AS GIVING OUR FULL SUPPORT FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S INITIATIVE. PEREZ DE CUELLAR AGREED BUT SAID THAT THREE AMBASSADORS OF MAJOR INTERESTED COUNTRIES SPEAKING IN ANKARA IN GENERAL SUPPORT OF HIS INITIATIVE AT THIS JUNCTURE MIGHT HAVE A BENEFICIAL EFFECT. I PROMISED TO PASS THIS REQUEST TO YOU IMMEDIATELY. THE SECRETARY GENERAL SAID HE WOULD BE SPEAKING IN SIMILAR TERMS TO THE AMERICANS AND GERMANS LATER TODAY.

4. LATER ON, AND IN EVEN MORE WHISPERED TONES, PEREZ DE CUELLAR SAID HE HAD HEARD FROM A MOST RELIABLE AND VERY HIGH LEVEL SOURCE THAT PAPANDREOU WAS BECOMING MORE PRAGMATIC IN HIS APPROACH TO THE CYPRUS PROBLEM: AND THAT HE NOW SEEMED TO REALISE THAT IF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S INITIATIVE FAILED, BLAME WOULD INEVITABLY BE ATTACHED TO GREECE.

5. HEAD OF CHANCERY ALSO RAISED THE SUBJECT WITH URQUHART TODAY. THE LATTER MENTIONED INTER ALIA THAT PRIME MINISTER PALME OF SWEDEN HAD BEEN SPEAKING TO PAPANDREOU WHO HAD APPEARED 'LESS NEGATIVE' ABOUT CYPRUS. IT WOULD SEEM THEREFORE THAT MR PALME IS THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S SOURCE.

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