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TO IMMEDIATE NICOSIA

TELEGRAM NUMBER 16 OF 24 JANUARY

INFO IMMEDIATE ANKARA ATHENS UKMIS NEW YORK WASHINGTON

ROUTINE UKREP BRUSSELS UKDEL NATO, MODUK (SEC(O)(C))

SAVING UKDEL STRASBOURG ROME PARIS BONN

CYPRUS

1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS WHICH THE PRIME MINISTER AND I HAD WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL ON 23 JANUARY, THE PRIME MINISTER HAS SENT A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO MR OZAL (MY TELNO TO ANKARA). KYPRIANOU MUST BEAR A GOOD SHARE OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SITUATION NOW REACHED AND OZAL WILL IN ANY CASE BE LIKELY TO ASK WHAT ACTION WE PROPOSE WITH THE CYPRUS GOVERNMENT. PLEASE THEREFORE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO KYPRIANOU.

BEGINS: I WAS VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT IT PROVED IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS AT THE HIGH-LEVEL MEETING IN NEW YORK. GEOFFREY HOWE AND I SAW THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY GENERAL YESTERDAY MORNING AND I AM GLAD TO SAY THAT HE SHOWED EVERY DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HIS MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES. THERE ARE GREAT DANGERS IN THE PRESENT SITUATION WHICH WE MUST ALL TRY TO AVERT.

YOU WILL BE THINKING HARD ABOUT HOW TO PROCEED IN THESE VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. TO THE EXTENT THAT OUTSIDE ADVICE CAN BE HELPFUL, MY OWN VIEW REMAINS THAT THE MOST PROMISING WAY OF MAKING PROGRESS IN ANY RESUMED DISCUSSIONS WILL BE TO TRY IN THE EARLY STAGES TO ESTABLISH THE BROADEST POSSIBLE AREA OF AGREEMENT BEFORE MOVING ON TO THE MORE DIFFICULT ISSUES, BUT ON THE CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT ANY POINTS THAT CAN BE FIRMLY

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SETTLED IN THIS WAY MUST REMAIN CONDITIONAL ON AGREEMENT BY BOTH SIDES TO THE ULTIMATE PACKAGE AS A WHOLE. ENDS.

2. IF ASKED, YOU MAY SAY THAT THE PRIME MINISTER IS IN TOUCH WITH THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT.

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1. IN CONVERSATION WITH THE PRIME MINISTER AND ME ON 23 JANUARY, THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL SAID HE THOUGHT THE GREATEST RISK TO HIS MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES LAY IN ACTIONS BY DENKTASH TO TRY TO CONSOLIDATE THE TRNC. HE ASKED FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S ASSISTANCE IN DISSUADING DENKTASH AND SAID THAT HE WOULD INVITE PRESIDENT REAGAN'S AND CHANCELLOR KOHL'S COOPERATION ALONG SIMILAR LINES. THE PRIME MINISTER ACCEPTS THAT WE SHOULD TRY TO HELP. PLEASE ACCORDINGLY DELIVER THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER TO MR OZAL.

BEGINS: AS YOU MAY KNOW, THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UN, SENOR PEREZ DE CUELLAR, HAS JUST PAID A BRIEF VISIT TO LONDON. I HAD A TALK WITH HIM AND DISCUSSED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE VERY GRAVE SITUATION WHICH HAS DEVELOPED IN THE TALKS WHICH WERE TAKING PLACE IN NEW YORK UNDER HIS AUSPICES BETWEEN THE LEADERS OF THE TWO COMMUNITIES IN CYPRUS. I AM WRITING TO YOU IN THE LIGHT OF MY DISCUSSION WITH SENOR PEREZ DE CUELLAR TO LET YOU KNOW MY THOUGHTS.

I WAS VERY DISAPPOINTED, AS I AM SURE YOU WERE, THAT THE TALKS IN NEW YORK DID NOT REACH A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION. I KNOW THAT YOUR GOVERNMENT HAD DONE A GREAT DEAL TO ENCOURAGE THE TURKISH CYPRIOT SIDE TO WORK FOR A POSITIVE OUTCOME TO THE TALKS AND I SHARE THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S VIEW THAT AT HIS OPENING OF THE TALKS THE TWO SIDES IN THIS TRAGIC DISPUTE HAD NEVER BEEN CLOSER, AT ANY RATE SINCE 1974. I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE A TERRIBLE MISTAKE TO ALLOW THE GROUND WHICH HAD BEEN GAINED TO BE LOST.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL HAS ASSURED ME THAT HE IS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE HIS EFFORTS TO REACH A CONCLUSION ACCEPTABLE TO BOTH SIDES.

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I HAVE WARMLY WELCOMED THIS. BUT I THINK THAT IF THERE IS TO BE A CHANCE OF SUCCESS, IT WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT IN THE PERIOD IMMEDIATELY AHEAD TO AVOID ACTIONS ON EITHER SIDE THAT WOULD BE REGARDED BY THE OTHER AS CHANGING THE STATUS QUO. I HOPE VERY MUCH THAT YOU WILL SHARE THIS VIEW AND THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE TURKISH CYPRIOT SIDE TO ACT CONSTRUCTIVELY. IF THIS CAN BE ACHIEVED, I THINK IT MAY STILL BE POSSIBLE TO MAKE PROGRESS TOWARDS MORE SECURE AND MORE STABLE ARRANGEMENTS IN CYPRUS ON THE BASIS OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S DOCUMENTATION. I BELIEVE THAT THIS WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL THE PEOPLE OF CYPRUS.

SIR GEOFFREY HOWE IS MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO HIS VISIT TO ANKARA NEXT MONTH, WHEN HE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION IN GREATER DETAIL WITH MR HALEFOGLU. ENDS.

2. IF ASKED, YOU MAY SAY THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS SENT A MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU TO ENCOURAGE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE ON HIS PART ALSO.

3. FOR UKMIS NEW YORK. PLEASE INFORM THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GIST OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND THOSE CONTAINED IN MY TELEGRAM NUMBER 17 TO NICOSIA.

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