



Prime Minister
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Cyprus

Following the Prime Minister's talk with President Kyprianou on 26 July, we should like to send a telegram to UKMIS New York instructing our Representative there to brief the UN Secretary General on some of the points that arose on the Cyprus problem. You will recall that the Prime Minister undertook to press for greater personal involvement by the Secretary General and to let the latter know the general formula which Kyprianou said would be acceptable.

I enclose a draft telegram and would be grateful for confirmation that you are content with it. I should add that in the time available the draft has not been seen by Sir Geoffrey Howe. I shall be submitting a copy to him in tonight's box.

(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

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From the Private Secretary

29 July 1983

Cyprus

Thank you for your letter to John Coles of 28 July. The Prime Minister is content for you to instruct UKMIS New York on the lines set out in the draft telegram attached to your letter.

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 11 CYPRUS: PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU'S MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER.
 12 1. When the Prime Minister saw ^{on 26 July} President Kyprianou during the
 13 course of a private visit to London, she reiterated our support
 14 for UN efforts to promote a settlement of the Cyprus problem.
 15 She emphasised our endorsement of the Secretary General's declared
 16 intention to strengthen his personal involvement. The Cyprus
 17 Government should determine what it could accept by way of a sol-
 18 ution in terms of the basic equation between constitutional arran-
 19 gements for the Turkish Cypriots in return for suitable territor-
 20 ial arrangements. If the Secretary General proposed territorial
 21 adjustments, a measure of Turkish autonomy and demilitarisation of
 22 the Republic on the lines suggested by Kyprianou (ie no Turkish
 23 or Greek troops, possibility of National Guard being replaced by
 24 some international force) would that be acceptable?
 25 2. Kyprianou confirmed that he welcomed greater personal involve-

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2 ment by the Secretary General. That did not mean that he was
 3 abandoning the intercommunal talks now being boycotted by
 4 Denktash. If the Secretary General made progress this would
 5 provide food for the talks. The sort of package summarised by
 6 the Prime Minister would be acceptable as a framework subject to
 7 discussion of detail. He had already outlined such a framework
 8 to the Secretary General on an unofficial basis. Territory and
 9 constitutional rights should be discussed together. When he
 10 knew what the territorial arrangements would be he could envisage
 11 a different approach to the question of autonomy. But unity and
 12 fundamental rights must be safeguarded.

13 3. The Prime Minister asked whether we could indicate to the
 14 Secretary General the general formula Kyprianou had described.
 15 Kyprianou confirmed that we could and added that the Cyprus
 16 Government would be prepared to tell the Secretary General how far
 17 it could go on territorial arrangements and the extent of ~~the~~ its
 18 flexibility on constitutional arrangements. He hoped it would be
 19 possible to make progress before the Commonwealth Heads of
 20 Government Conference in New Delhi. We pointed out to Kyprianou
 21 that the Secretary General would need something substantial to
 22 work with.

23 4. Please take an early opportunity to brief the Secretary Gener-
 24 al on this conversation. You should add that the Prime Minister
 25 hopes that he will indeed intensify his personal efforts to deal
 26 with the Cyprus problem. She fully understands the difficulties
 27 but believes that an effort must be made now before present
 28 divisions become permanent. The Secretary General, with his
 29 personal knowledge of Cyprus and great skills in negotiation, is
 30 ideally placed to make the attempt.

31 5. ~~Turkmen is here on an official visit for the latter part of~~
 32 ~~this week. You may tell the Secretary General that we will be~~
 33 ~~urging on him the necessity of the Turkish Cypriots cooperating~~
 34 ~~fully with the Secretary General, returning to the intercommunal~~

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2 dialogue and avoiding disruptive moves such as a declaration of
3 independence or a referendum)

4 5. For your own information the discussion showed no sign of
5 movement on well known Greek Cypriot positions. We believe it is
6 now up to the Secretary General to probe further both their
7 position and that of the Turkish Cypriots. We assume that this
8 will be a two stage process first using Gobbi and then involving
9 the Secretary General more directly.

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6. Tankmen is here on an official visit
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belogough separately the main points covered in
his calls on the Prime Minister and on
myself.

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