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PRIME MINISTER

President Kyprianou

The above is on another tour (see attached FCO letter) and has asked to see you.

Despite the attached letter, he would now like to see you on either 18 or 19 January. You have virtually no time on Thursday, 19 January. 18 January is not easy either since the afternoon is full and you speak to the Lobby Centenary Lunch that day. Caroline has kept the whole morning free for the speech - as well as some of the previous evening.

Would you prefer to see Kyprianou at 0900 on 18 January (we shall make it clear that one hour is the maximum) or at the end of the day at, say, 1815?

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Yes - but - In the meantime we must pursue our obligations under the Treaty. It is true we asked the Greeks whether they will sit together with the Turks ourselves or whether they wish to do known what they have refused. No

6 January, 1984

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From the Private Secretary

9 January 1984

Call by President Kyprianou

Thank you for your letter of 3 January. You subsequently told me that President Kyprianou had changed his plans and sought to call on the Prime Minister on 18 or 19 January.

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There is considerable difficulty about both days. But the Prime Minister has agreed to see President Kyprianou for one hour at 9 o'clock on Wednesday, 18 January. I should be grateful if you could so inform the Cypriots.

In agreeing to this request, the Prime Minister has minuted that in the meantime we must pursue our obligations under the Treaty of Guarantee. Mrs Thatcher considers that it is time we asked the Greeks whether they are prepared to join in consultations with the Turks and ourselves or whether they wish it to be known that they have refused.

I should be grateful if you could let me have a note on this point in the next day or two.

A. J. COLES

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Prime Minister.

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Agree to see Kyprianou

London SW1A 2AH

for 1 hour at 16.15 on 16

3 January 1984

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John Saker,

Possible Meeting Between President Kyprianou and
Mrs Thatcher: Monday 16 January

The Cyprus High Commissioner has asked on instructions whether President Kyprianou could call on the Prime Minister on 16 January, accompanied by his Foreign Minister, Mr Iakovou. If this is not possible, President Kyprianou could call the following day without Mr Iakovou (who has to go to Stockholm for the CDE Conference). President Kyprianou is going to New York in the second week of January to meet the UN Secretary General. He may stop over in Paris on the way there (probably because the French will just have assumed the Presidency of the EC). He would like to see the Prime Minister on the way back to discuss Cyprus in light of his meetings with Mr Papandreou on 23 December and in New York with Sr Perez de Cuellar. I understand that the Prime Minister might be free early on 16 January.

The Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary recommends that the Prime Minister should agree to such a meeting in view of the United Kingdom's interests in the Sovereign Base Areas and our obligations under the 1960 Treaty of Guarantee. Greek Cypriot goodwill is a crucial factor in our trouble-free use of the bases.

President Kyprianou will probably want to discuss the way ahead on the Cyprus problem in the aftermath of the purported Turkish Cypriot declaration of independence on 15 November, continuing the conversations he had with Mrs Thatcher at their meetings in London on 17 November and in New Delhi. It is in our interests to encourage him to pursue policies which will minimise the damage caused by UDI and allow for progress in solving the Cyprus problem. A meeting would also serve to demonstrate our interest in Cyprus and our readiness to pursue our obligations under the Treaty of Guarantee.

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If Mrs Thatcher is able to agree to this meeting
we shall provide briefing nearer the time.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R B Bone', written in a cursive style.

(R B Bone)
Private Secretary

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