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THE PRIME MINISTER

30 January 1987

PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL MESSAGE  
SERIAL No. T12147

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of 3 January, and your best wishes for the New Year, which I heartily reciprocate.

I have the deepest sympathy for the families and relatives of the missing persons in Cyprus. I well understand how they must feel.

As you will know, the British Government wholeheartedly support the efforts of the United Nations Intercommunal Committee on Missing Persons to establish the fate of those who have disappeared. I understand that the Committee is close to finishing its study of the first batch of cases. Meanwhile, we shall certainly continue to urge the Turkish side to support the Committee in its efforts to resolve this tragic problem. I urge you to do likewise. We shall also continue to support the United Nations Secretary-General's efforts to find a peaceful, just and lasting settlement in Cyprus, which will be of benefit to all its people.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely  
Margaret Thatcher

His Excellency Mr. Spyros Kyprianou

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