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MY TELNO 283: PRIME MINISTER'S CORRESPONDENCE WITH VASSILIOU

1. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY OF 26 JULY  
TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S LETTER OF 8 JULY.

'DEAR PRIME MINISTER,

I HAVE RECEIVED YOUR LETTER OF 8 TH JULY AND I WOULD  
LIKE TO EXPRESS GRATEFUL THANKS FOR THE VIVID INTEREST YOU  
HAVE TAKEN IN THE LATEST INITIATIVE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN PROMOTING A DIALOGUE FOR THE  
SOLUTION OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

I ALSO EXPRESS DEEP APPRECIATION FOR YOUR EFFORTS WITH  
THE TURKISH PRIME MINISTER FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE  
DIALOGUE AND FOR THE CYPRUS QUESTION IN GENERAL.

AS YOU ALREADY KNOW, THE MEETING WITH MR. RAUF  
DENKTASH HAS BEEN SET FOR THE 24TH OF AUGUST, 1988, AT THE  
UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK. WE, ON OUR PART, WILL GO TO THE  
MEETING WITH ALL GOOD WILL AND IN AN OPEN AND POSITIVE  
SPIRIT.

I AM SURE THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE YOUR EFFORTS TO  
INFLUENCE THE TURKISH SIDE TOWARDS THE PROPER DIRECTION, SO  
THAT THIS UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY WILL NOT BE LOST.

WITH WARMEST REGARDS,

GEORGE VASSILIOU''

2. ORIGINAL FOLLOWS BY BAG TO THE FCO.

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