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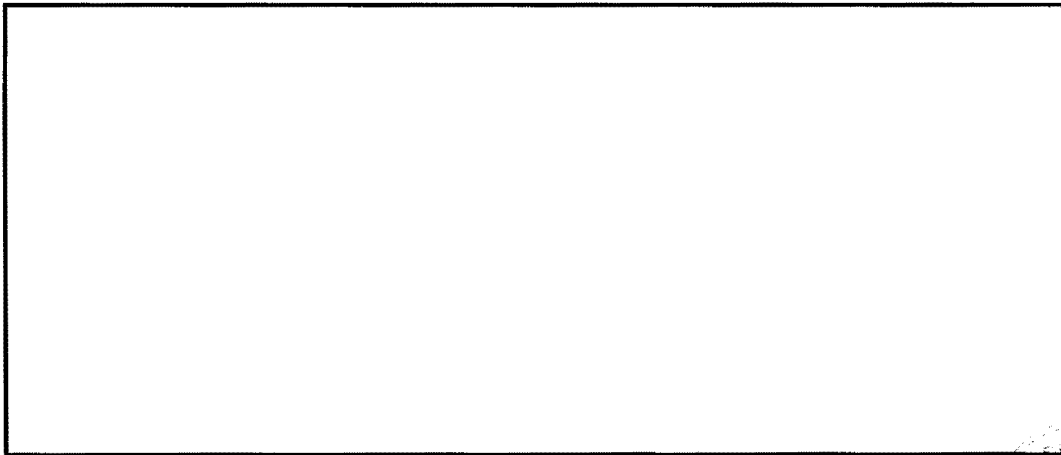
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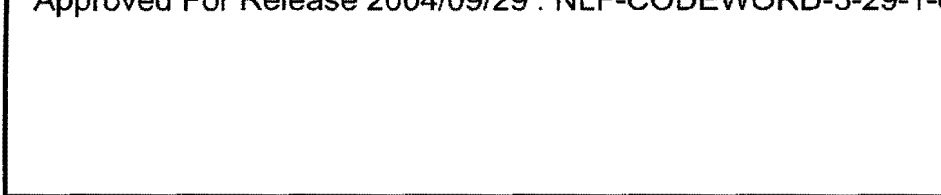
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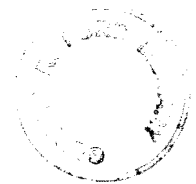
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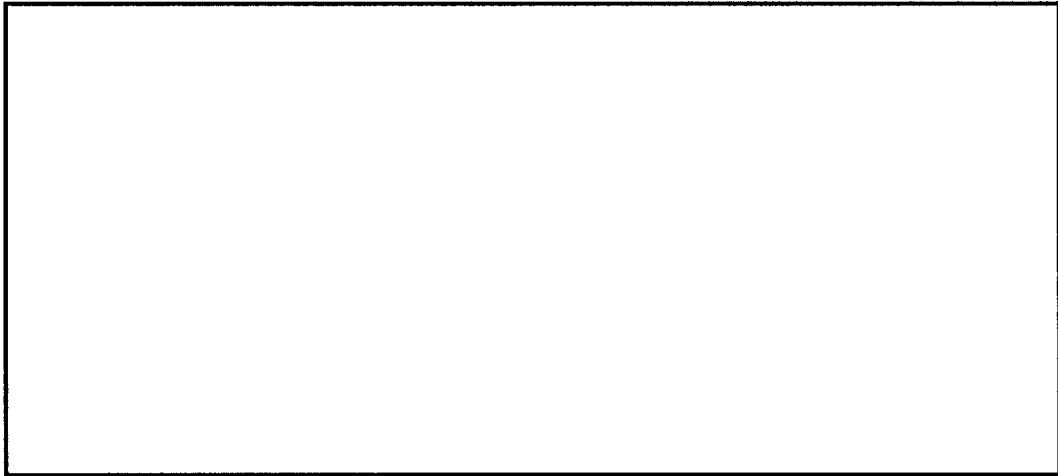
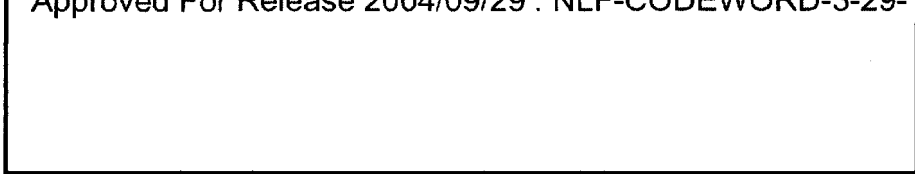
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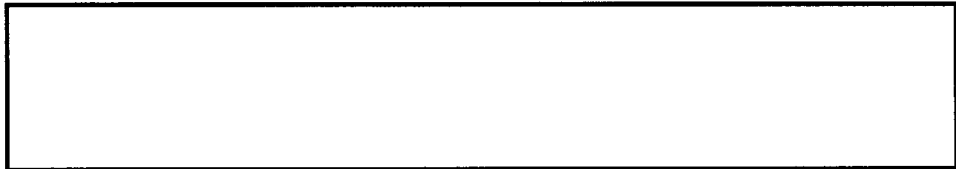




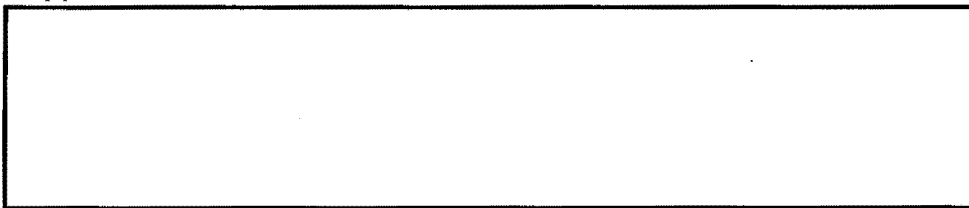
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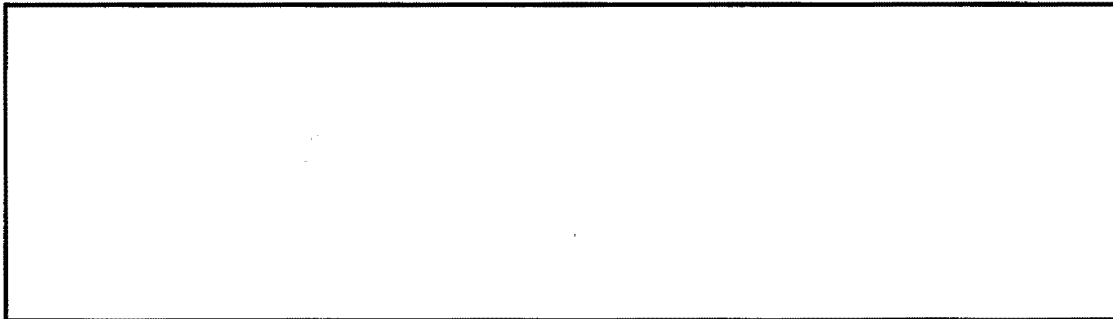


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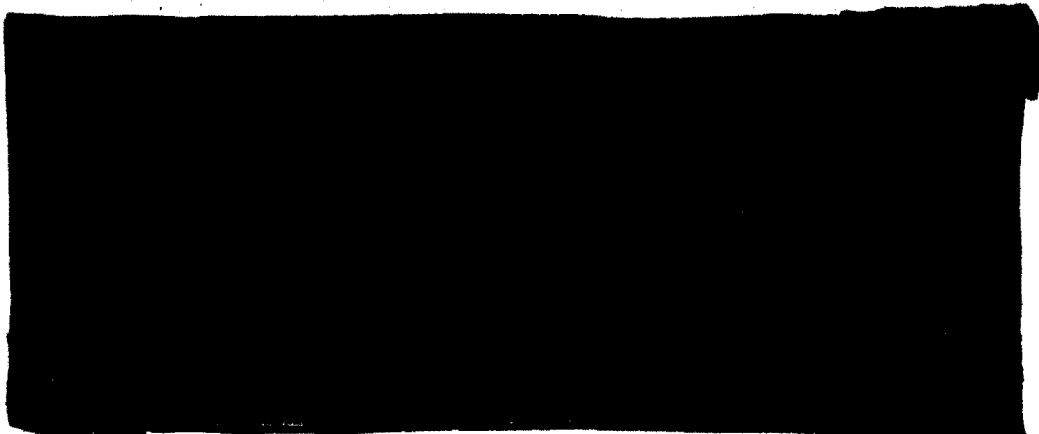
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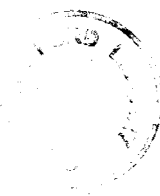
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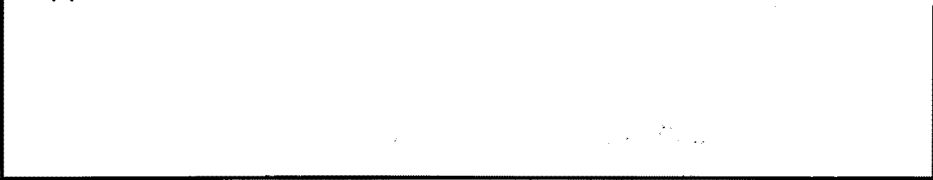
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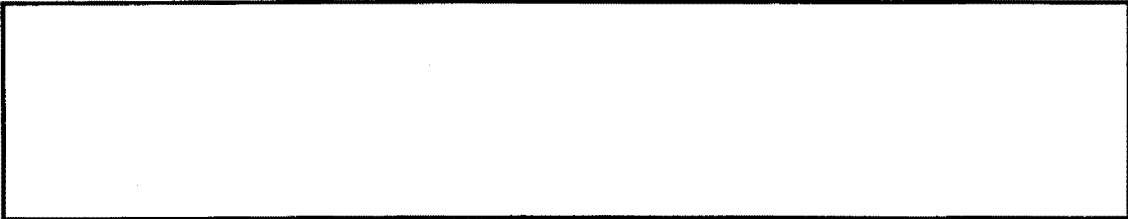
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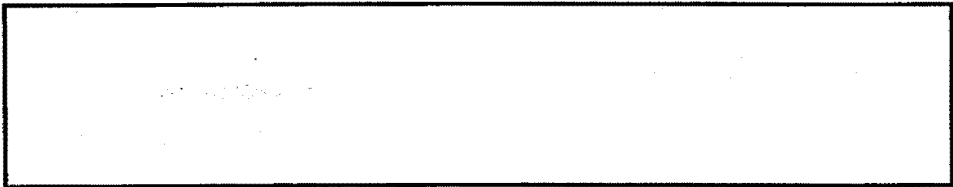
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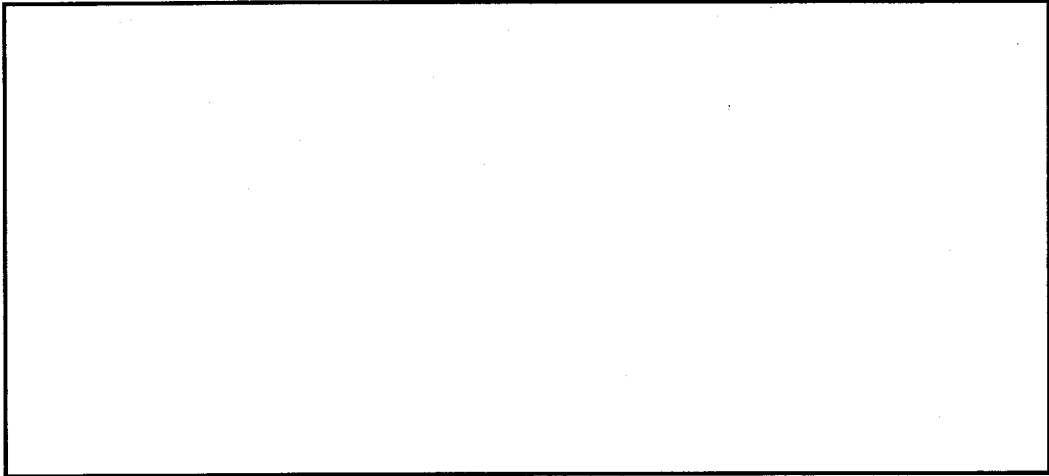
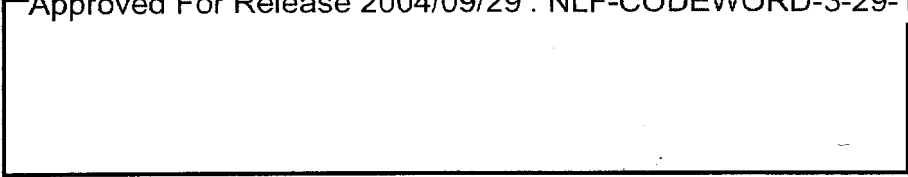
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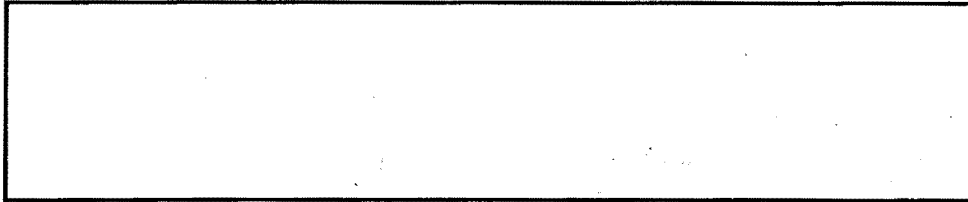
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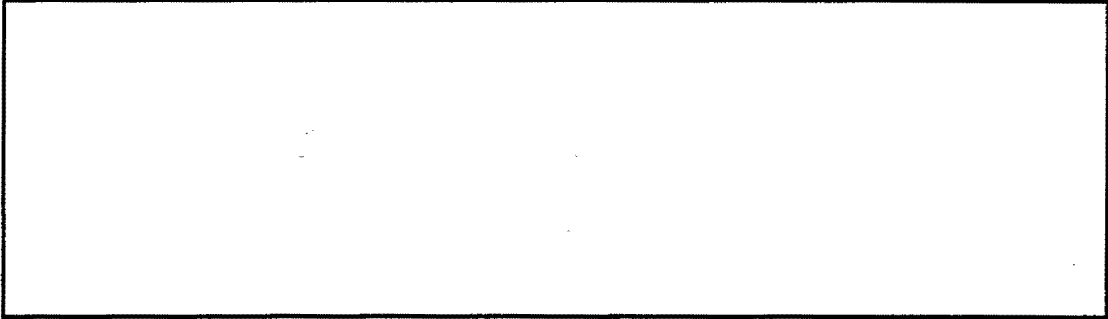


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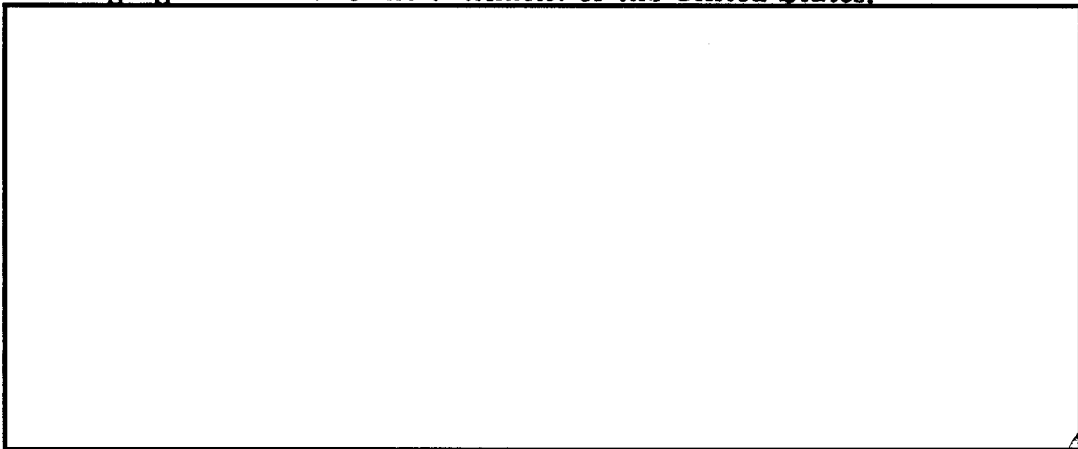
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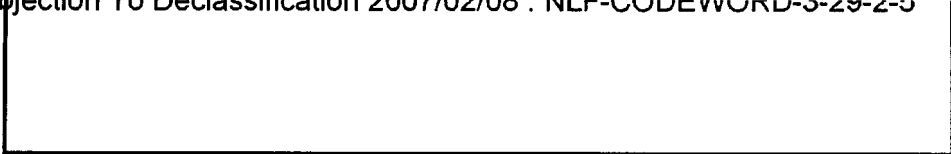
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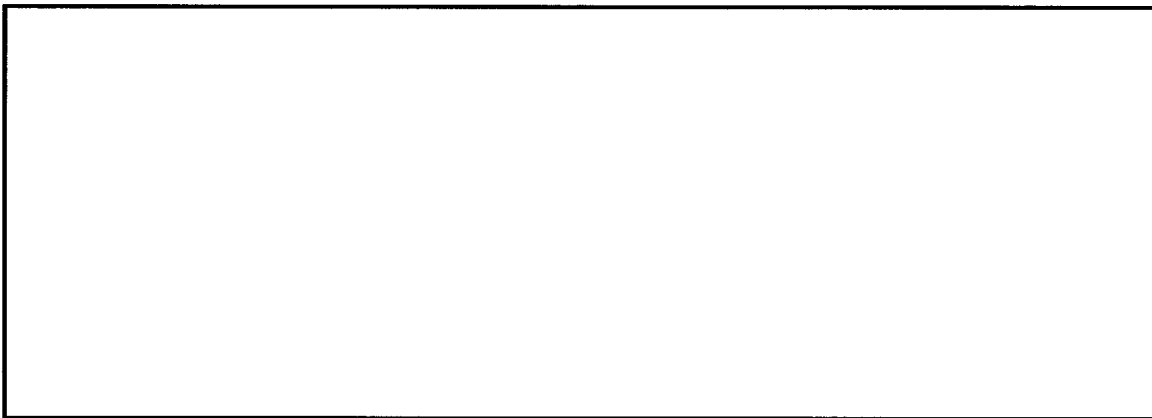
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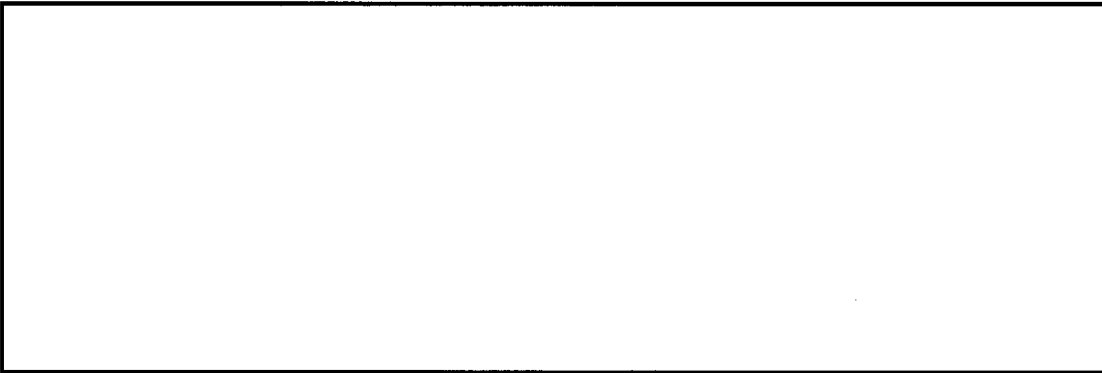


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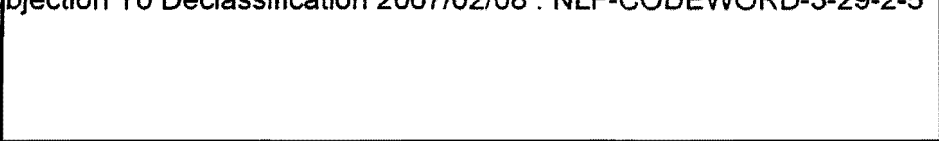


SOVIET POLITICAL COMMENTARY

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12. Immediately prior to the invasion, TASS charged the US with procrastination over the past week and characterized the US policy of "wait and see" as support for the Greek junta. TASS concludes, therefore, that Turkey's interests are being damaged by its NATO partners--an obvious attempt to woo the Turks away from the NATO alliance. TASS did not mention Ecevit's expression of appreciation to the US and Britain for their efforts to avert the crisis.





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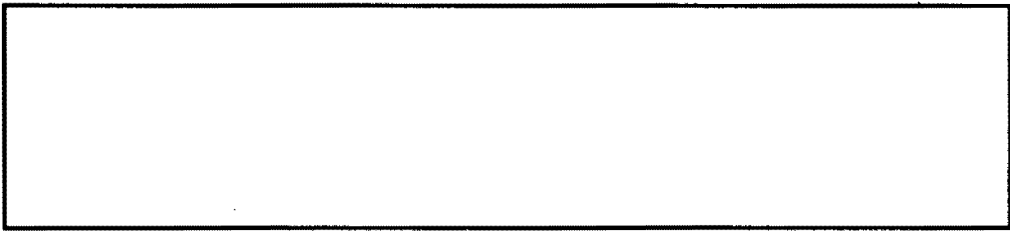
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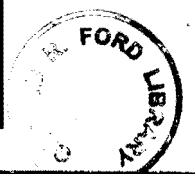
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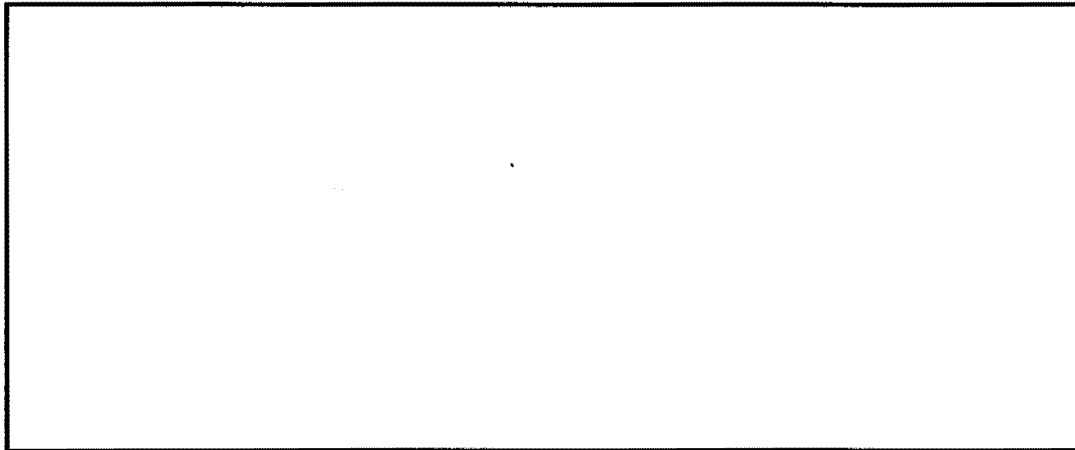
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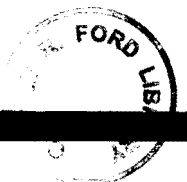


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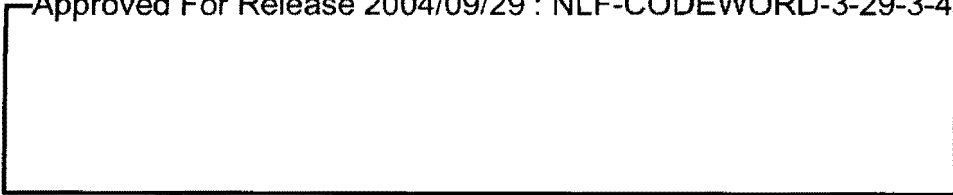
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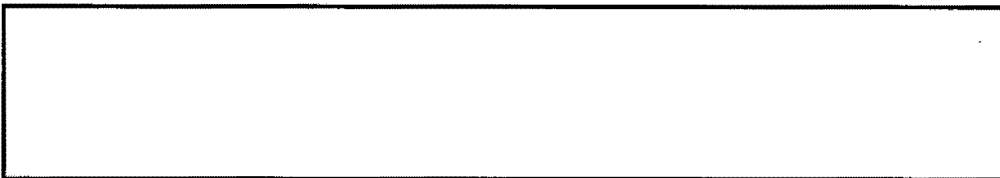
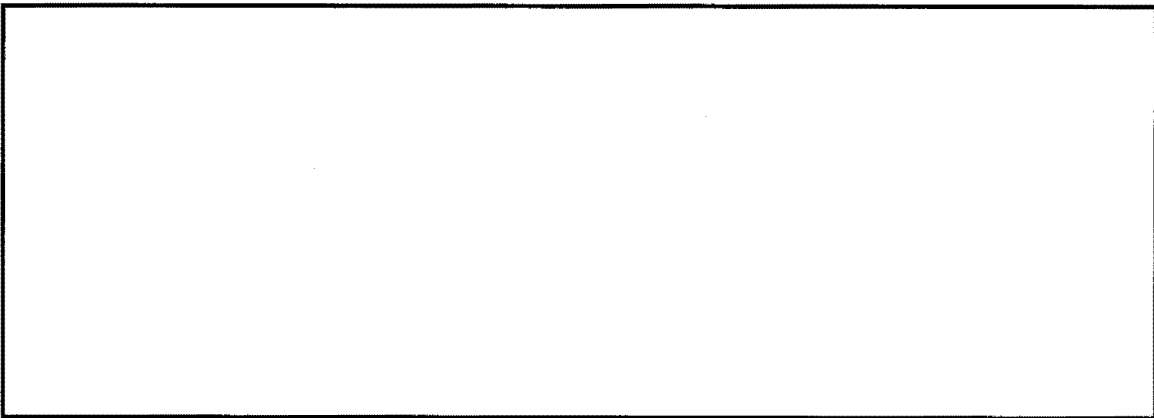
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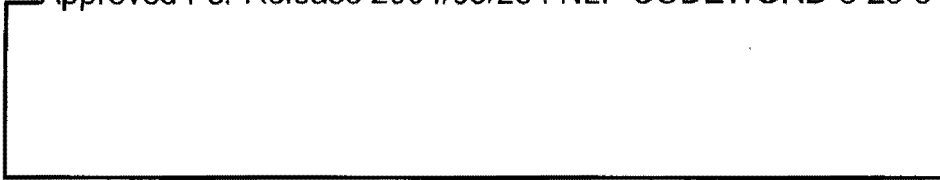
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11. Moscow's initial reaction to the Turkish invasion of Cyprus has been clearly sympathetic. TASS quoted Turkish Premier Ecevit as saying that the invasion had been launched "in order to reestablish the status quo." The Soviets, since the coup, have repeatedly called for the return of the "lawfully elected government" of Cyprus, and the Soviet Ambassador in Ankara reportedly told the Turkish President earlier this week that Moscow would support any Turkish effort to intervene on Cyprus. TASS claims that Soviet comments on Cyprus this week have been welcomed in Ankara as "clear cut."

12. Immediately prior to the invasion, TASS charged the US with procrastination over the past week and characterized the US policy of "wait and see" as support for the Greek junta. TASS concludes, therefore, that Turkey's interests are being damaged by its NATO partners--an obvious attempt to woo the Turks away from the NATO alliance. TASS did not mention Ecevit's expression of appreciation to the US and Britain for their efforts to avert the crisis.



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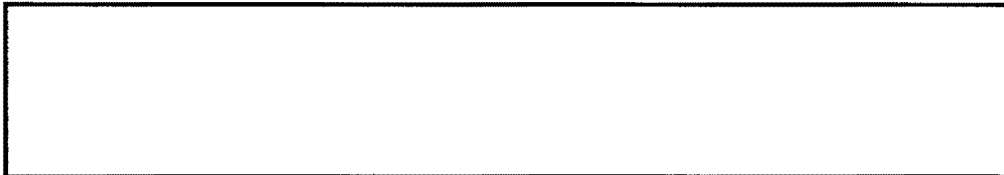
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## NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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July 20, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

DEPUTY SECRETARY INGERSOLL

FROM:

RICHARD T. KENNEDY  
HAROLD H. SAUNDERS

SUBJECT:

WSAG Meeting on Cyprus --  
July 20, 1974

Your objectives at the WSAG meeting are twofold:

1. Through briefing:

- to assure a clear understanding on everyone's part of the situation on Cyprus via the CIA briefing;
- to review the diplomatic situation including (perhaps you or Ambassador McCloskey could give a rundown):
  - efforts to arrange a ceasefire;
  - British efforts to start negotiations in London;
  - Greek-Turk exchanges and the likelihood that Greece will declare enosis and attack Turkey in Thrace;
  - UN Security Council debate and call for cease-fire;
- to review status of evacuation planning:
  - Cyprus: What is the position of our evacuation forces? How would they proceed? Should we evacuate?
  - Greece and Turkey: Evacuation would be a much larger problem? What is the status of planning?

2. Through discussion:

- to surface any additional actions that we should consider as part of our effort to prevent a widening of the war (see Task Force paper discussed below);

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--to identify the slightly longer term issues which should be studied now.

### Actions to Prevent Wider War

Immediately attached is a paper initiated last night in the WSAG working group. It was written before the invasion, so our lead time on some action is now lost. But it was written to deal with the situation we face this morning and provides a good checklist of actions that might be considered now. These are the issues you might raise:

1. Should we be preparing US forces for any possible military moves beyond evacuation? The possibilities identified, though not recommended, in the paper include

--If we wanted to make a show of force with the British to stop fighting on the island, would we need to alert additional forces now? What effect would such a show have? What effect would the alert have? The paper suggests that such a show might take the form of moving forces into the UK bases.

--If we wanted to impose a blockade around Cyprus to prevent resupply and bring the fighting to an end, what forces would we need? What are the advantages and disadvantages of such a move?

--The paper judges that moving US and British forces to stop the fighting and restore order on Cyprus is beyond our capability. The UK estimates it would require 20,000 men. If both sides were inclined to stop, wouldn't the introduction of an outside force -- or the threat of it -- have the effect of precipitating a ceasefire.

2. Cutting off military aid. We have told the Greeks we would do this. There are several issues:

--Ask the Pentagon exactly what it would do to cut off aid and what would be cut off. (Experience in doing this in South Asia in 1971 proved that this is not as neatly done as it seems.)

--Would we cut off aid only to Greece as the attacker? Or to Turkey too?

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3. What practical steps can NATO take to end Greek-Turkish fighting? Two possibilities are having Luns or Goodpaster to Athens and Ankara. The issue is whether there are any more stringent measures that can be taken.
4. The UN Security Council will presumably call for a ceasefire.
5. We have assured the USSR that we are trying to stop the fighting and see a return to constitutional order. If the Soviets see Turkish objectives as partition of Cyprus rather than the restoration of Makarios, their position could change. What preparations should we take, if any, against the possibility of a Soviet threat to Turkey.

#### Longer-term Issues

1. What do we want Turkey to achieve?

Now that they have landed, how strong are the arguments for letting them establish the geographic basis for partition of Cyprus? We do not have to decide today whether we favor partition because such a geographic position could also provide the basis for negotiating another kind of solution. But we should decide how hard we will press for an immediate ceasefire.

2. Would partition serve our interests?

We suggest you ask the WSAG working group to write a study on the arguments for and against possible Cyprus settlements.

#### Summary

--Should the WSAG recommend additional US forces be alerted?

--Ask the Pentagon to do a quick paper on how the cut-off of military aid to Greece and Turkey would be accomplished, what would be involved, and how soon the pipeline could be stopped.

--Ask that the WSAG working group prepare a paper on the relative merits of partition and other Cyprus solutions.

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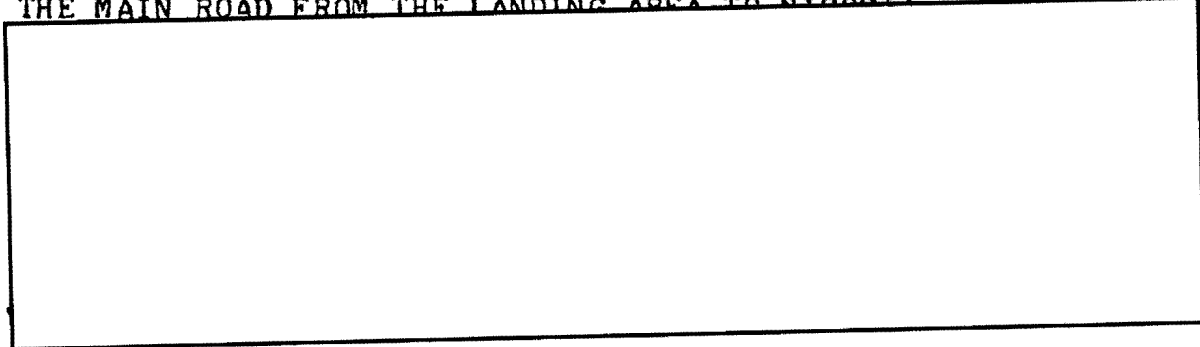
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CYPRUS

TURKISH FORCES LANDED ON THE NORTHERN COAST OF CYPRUS AT DAWN THIS MORNING. TROOPS FROM ABOUT 40 SHIPS AND LANDING CRAFT LANDED ON A BROAD FRONT ABOUT EIGHT MILES EAST OF KYRENIA, SOME 15 MILES NORTH OF NICOSIA, AND ARE IN CONTACT WITH A LARGE ENCLAVE OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS.

THE US EMBASSY IN NICOSIA REPORTS THAT TURKISH PARATROOPS ARE BEING DROPPED IN THE VICINITY OF NICOSIA, INCLUDING THE TURKISH SECTORS OF THE CITY, ROADS LEADING TO THE LANDING AREAS ON THE NORTHERN COAST, AND THE AIRPORT. EVIDENTLY, THE TURKS PLAN TO SECURE AN AREA IN THE CAPITAL AND THEN TO LINK UP WITH FORCES ADVANCING INLAND FROM THE COAST. THEY ARE APPARENTLY ATTEMPTING TO SECURE THE MAIN ROAD FROM THE LANDING AREA TO NICOSIA.



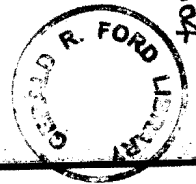
TURKISH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT, IN A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT THIS MORNING, SAID THE DECISION TO INVAD E WAS MADE AFTER ANKARA HAD EXPLORED ALL DIPLOMATIC MEANS TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM CAUSED BY THE GREEK-ENGINEERED COUP ON MONDAY. TURKEY'S IMMEDIATE GOALS ARE TO STABILIZE ITS FORCES ON THE ISLAND AND THEN TO NEGOTIATE. ECEVIT SAID TURKISH FORCES WOULD NOT FIRE UNLESS FIRED UPON.

TURKISH LEADERS REPORTEDLY DO NOT CARE WHO IS PRESIDENT OF CYPRUS AS LONG AS HE IS A MODERATE. MOST TURKS AGREE, HOWEVER, THAT THEY WOULD NOT SUPPORT THE RETURN OF ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS. OF ALL THE PROMINENT GREEK CYPRIOT POLITICIANS, THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS WOULD BE MOST COMFORTABLE WITH GLAFCOS CLERIDES, PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES AND MAKARIOS' CONSTITUTIONAL SUCCESSOR.

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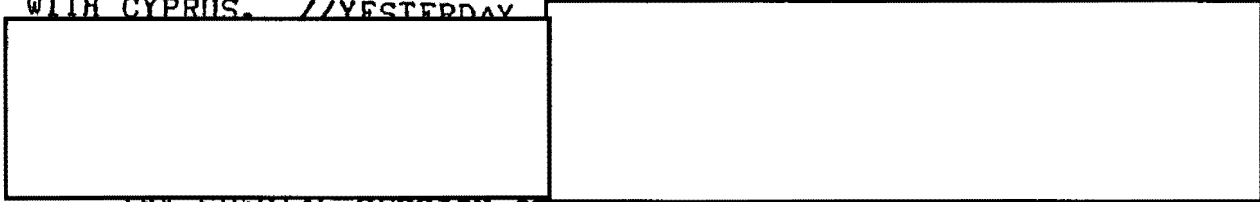
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THE GREEK GOVERNMENT LAST NIGHT ISSUED AN ULTIMATUM WITHIN HOURS OF THE INITIAL TURKISH LANDINGS DECLARING THAT IF THE TURKS DO NOT IMMEDIATELY WITHDRAW FROM CYPRUS, GREECE WOULD DECLARE ENOSIS WITH CYPRUS. //YESTERDAY

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THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL YESTERDAY LISTENED TO ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS' APPEAL, BUT PASSED NO RESOLUTION. SUPPORT APPEARED TO BE ERODING FOR THE STRONG RESOLUTION THAT MAKARIOS DEMANDED CALLING FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF GREEK NATIONAL GUARD OFFICERS AND RECOGNITION OF HIMSELF AS THE LEGITIMATE HEAD OF GOVERNMENT



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July 20, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: Jeanne W. Davis

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Washington Special Actions Group Held July 20, 1974

Attached are the minutes of the Washington Special Actions Group meeting held July 20, 1974, to discuss Cyprus.

Attachment

cc: Gen. Scowcroft  
Mr. Saunders  
Mr. Kennedy

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE CUTOFF OF MILITARY AID TO GREECE

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ANKARA FOR SISCO

1. I GAVE THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE IN PERSON TO ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER KYPREOS.

2. BEGIN TEXT: MR. SISCO HAS LEFT FOR ANKARA WITH PROPOSALS DISCUSSED THIS MORNING.

3. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WISHES THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE TO KNOW THAT WE CONSIDER IT OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE THAT THESE EFFORTS SUCCEED. IN THIS CONTEXT, IF GREECE WERE TO CHOOSE THE PATH OF WAR, THE UNITED STATES WOULD, IN FACT, AS A MATTER OF PRACTICAL REALITY, HAVE TO CUT OFF MILITARY AID TO GREECE. YOU WOULD BE ALIENATING OUR GOODWILL. WE SAY THIS NOT AS A THREAT BUT AS AN ALLY SPEAKING FRANKLY BECAUSE WE WISH THIS ELEMENT TO BE WEIGHED CAREFULLY BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE. SUCCESS OF THE JOINT EFFORTS OF ALL CONCERNED WILL PRECLUDE THIS QUESTION FROM ARISING.

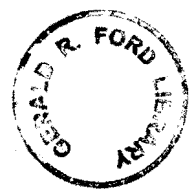
3. YOU HAVE OUR SOLEMN ASSURANCES THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO URGE THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY TO COOPERATE FULLY IN OUR JOINT EFFORTS TO RESTORE PEACE. END TEXT.

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 THE MILITARY SITUATION

1. THE TURKISH FORCES CONTINUE TO MOVE AHEAD.  
 FOLLOWING THEIR COMBINED SEA AND AIRBORNE LANDINGS ON  
 CYPRUS AT DAWN. THE TURKISH CONTINGENTS MOVED OUT FROM  
 THEIR LANDING AREAS EAST AND WEST OF KYRENIA TO SECURE  
 THE BEACHHEAD AND THE KYRENIA PASS CONTROLLING THE MAIN

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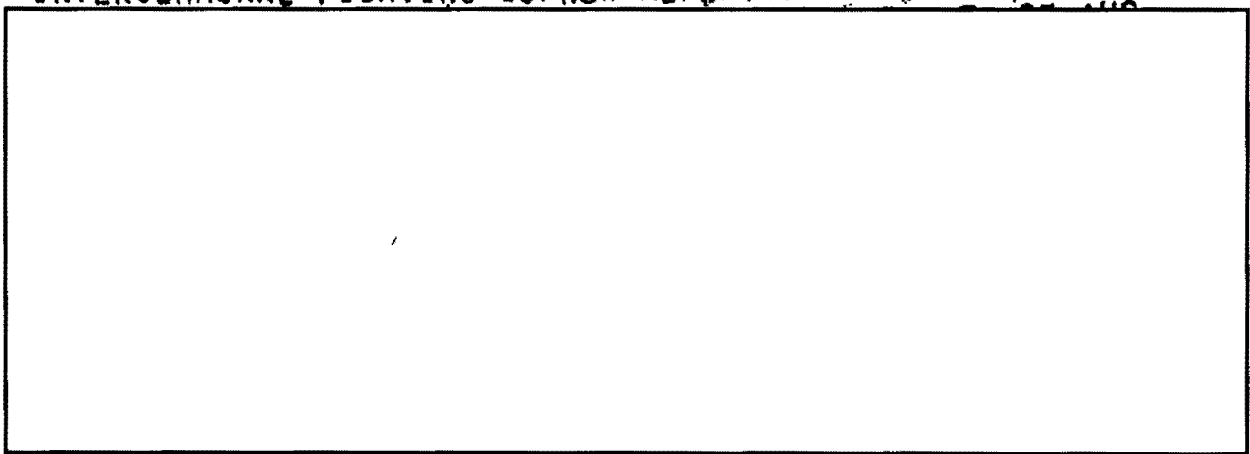
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ROAD SOUTH TO NICOSIA. THE TURKS EVIDENTLY PLAN TO MOVE SOUTH LINKING UP WITH THE AIRBORNE TROOPS DROPPED INTO NICOSIA AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME AS THE LANDING ON THE COAST. U.S. EMBASSY IN NICOSIA ESTIMATES THAT A REINFORCED BRIGADE IS NOW ASHORE.

2. TWO WAVES OF AIRBORNE TROOPS HAVE LANDED IN NICOSIA APPARENTLY TO SEIZE POSITIONS NORTH OF THE CITY TO EXPEDITE MOVEMENT ALONG THE NICOSIA-KYRENIA ROAD. AIRBORNE TROOPS AT ABOUT TWO BATTALIONS, ALSO WERE REPORTED LANDING IN THE TURKISH CYPRIOT AREA OF THE CITY AS WELL AS THE AIRPORT. THE AIRPORT AT LAST REPORT WAS UNDER HEAVY TURKISH ATTACK. CONSOLIDATION OF THESE OBJECTIVES WILL SECURE THE TURKISH CONTROL OF A LARGE TURKISH CYPRIOT ENCLAVE BETWEEN NICOSIA AND KYRENIA. INTERCOMMUNAL FIGHTING IS NOW REPORTED IN ALL TOWNS.



4. GREEK CYPRIOT FORCES APPARENTLY WERE TAKEN BY SURPRISE BY THE LANDINGS AND THEIR SCATTERED AND DISORGANIZED TROOPS WERE UNPREPARED TO MEET THE INVASION FORCES. ANY IMMEDIATE RESISTANCE WAS HAMPERED BY THE INITIAL TURKISH AIR ATTACKS ON NATIONAL GUARD CONCENTRATIONS DELIVERED CONCURRENTLY WITH THE LANDINGS. CALL-UP OF NATIONAL GUARD RESERVES FOLLOWED THE INITIAL ATTACKS AND GREEK CYPRIOT FORCES WERE NOTED BY THE US EMBASSY TO BE RALLYING IN THE NICOSIA AREA AND TO BE MOVING TOWARD THE TURKISH FORCES.

5. THE US EMBASSY IN NICOSIA ALSO REPORTED THAT TURKISH FORCES WERE FOLLOWING UP EARLIER AIRSTRIKES ON THE MILITARY CAMP OCCUPIED BY THE GREEK CONTINGENT WITH GROUND ATTACKS AND AT 0945 THE GREEK CAMP WAS OBTSCURED BY SMOKE. THE NATIONAL GUARD REPORTEDLY INFORMED THE UN THAT UNLESS THESE ATTACKS STOPPED THEY WOULD MOVE INTO THE TURKISH ENCLAVE. UP TO THIS POINT FIRING BETWEEN GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOTS HAD BEEN SPORADIC, BUT RECENT REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE FIGHTING BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS IS ON THE INCREASE.



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6. A GENERAL ALERT HAS BEEN CALLED FOR THE GREEK  
ARMED FORCES AND THE US EMBASSY IN ATHENS REPORTS



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TROOPS, EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES ARE MOVING TO THE NORTH AND EAST OUT OF THE CITY ALTHOUGH MANY UNITS REMAIN IN PLACE. EVIDENTLY A RESERVE CALL-UP IS IN EFFECT AND SOLDIERS WITH DUFFLE BAGS AND GEAR ARE BEING PICKED UP BY TRUCKS. GREEK TROOPS ON THE TURKISH BORDER REPORT-EDLY ARE ON FULL ALERT. OFFICIALLY, HOWEVER, THERE HAS BEEN NO DECLARATION OF WAR, NOR HAS ATHENS YET PRO-CLAIMED ENOSIS.

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7. THE TURKS APPARENTLY ARE LETTING THEIR NEXT

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MOVE IN THIS AREA BE CONDITIONED BY THE GREEK RESPONSE AND THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THEY HAVE MOBILIZED THEIR RESERVES TO MEET A MAJOR GROUND ATTACK FROM GREECE.

## SISCO MISSION

8. UNDERSECRETARY SISCO PREPARED TO LEAVE ATHENS THIS MORNING ON A RETURN VISIT TO ANKARA. THE GREEK GOVERNMENT HAD INFORMED HIM THAT THERE WOULD BE NO GREEK DECLARATION OF WAR IF THE TURKS WOULD AGREE TO A CEASE-FIRE AT AN UNSPECIFIED HOUR, IF THE TURKISH FORCES THAT HAVE INVADDED WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY, AND IF THE NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE OPENED IN LONDON. ANKARA AS OF 0950Z THIS MORNING, WAS WITHHOLDING CLEARANCE FOR THE UNDERSECRETARY'S PLANE. AMBASSADOR MACOMBER REPORTEDLY WAS SEEKING A MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT TO DISCUSS THE MATTER.

## SOVIET MILITARY REACTION

UNIT MAY ATTEMPT TO INTERCEPT AND BEGIN SURVEILLANCE OF THE US AMPHIBIOUS FORCE REPORTEDLY MOVING EASTWARD. A SOVIET DESTROYER REMAINS IN SURVEILLANCE OF THE USS FORRESTAL, WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN REPORTED MOVING TO THE EAST. NO ADDITIONAL SOVIET NAVAL UNITS HAVE ENTERED THE MEDITERRANEAN.

11. MOSCOW'S INITIAL REACTION TO THE TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS HAS BEEN CLEARLY SYMPATHETIC. TASS QUOTED TURKISH PREMIER ECEVIT AS SAYING THAT THE INVASION HAD BEEN LAUNCHED "IN ORDER TO REESTABLISH THE STATUS QUO." THE SOVIETS, SINCE THE COUP, HAVE REPEATEDLY CALLED FOR THE RETURN OF THE "LAWFULLY ELECTED



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GOVERNMENT" OF CYPRUS, AND THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN ANKARA REPORTEDLY TOLD THE TURKISH PRESIDENT EARLIER THIS WEEK THAT MOSCOW WOULD SUPPORT ANY TURKISH EFFORT TO INTERVENE ON CYPRUS. TASS CLAIMS THAT SOVIET COMMENTS ON CYPRUS THIS WEEK HAVE BEEN WELCOMED IN ANKARA AS "CLEAR CUT."



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12. IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THE INVASION, TASS CHARGED THE US WITH PROCRASTINATION OVER THE PAST WEEK AND CHARACTERIZED THE US POLICY OF "WAIT AND SEE" AS SUPPORT FOR THE GREEK JUNTA. TASS CONCLUDES, THEREFORE, THAT TURKEY'S INTERESTS ARE BEING DAMAGED BY ITS NATO PARTNERS--AN OBVIOUS ATTEMPT TO WOO THE TURKS AWAY FROM THE NATO ALLIANCE. TASS DID NOT MENTION ECEVIT'S EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO THE US AND BRITAIN FOR THEIR EFFORTS TO AVERT THE CRISIS.  
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3. AIRLINE FLIGHTS TO AND FROM THESSALONIKI PROCEEDED NORMALLY UNTIL 0900Z WHEN ALL TRAFFIC SUSPENDED. CONGEN'S OUTSIDE TELEPHONE LINES CUT OR INOPERATIVE FOR TWO HOURS THIS MORNING BUT NOW FUNCTIONING NORMALLY EXCEPT FOR POINTS EAST OF HERE. VOICE RADIO CIRCUIT WITH VOA KAVALLA OPERATIVE, AND THROUGH IT TO EMBASSY. CONGEN ADVISED ALL US MILITARY UNITS IN AREA OF SITUATION THROUGH USAF MT. HORTIATIS. WE UNDERSTAND THESSALONIKI-KAVALLA ROAD NOW CLOSED TO CIVILIAN TRAFFIC DUE TO PASSAGE OF MILITARY CONVOYS.
4. I CALLED ON 87TH MIL COMMAND COMMANDER BGEN PAPAZOIS AND GENDARMERIE COMMANDER FOR THESSALONIKI, BGEN STAVROIDULOS, TO INITIATE CONTACT FOR PROTECTION AMERICAN PROPERTY AND CITIZENS IF NECESSARY AT 1100Z AND 1130Z. THEY PLEDGED FULLEST COOPERATION. NUMEROUS AMCITS APPEARED AT CONGEN TO REGISTER AND INQUIRE AS TO SITUATION THROUGHOUT MORNING. ADVISED REMAIN CALM AND IN CONTACT WITH CONGEN AND ALERT TO RADIO BROADCASTS FOR POSSIBLE RPT POSSIBLE E&E INFO. ALL AMCITS CONTACTED HERE IN GOOD CONDITION.

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1. BGEN STAVROPOULOS REPORTED BUCHAREST BROADCAST TO EFFECT  
CYPRUS SITUATION CAUSED BY IMPERIALISTIC POWERS, PRINCIPALLY  
US, AND PEOPLE SHOULD DEMONSTRATE AGAINST US INSTALLATIONS.  
STATED HE THEREFORE INCREASING POLICE SURVEILLANCE CONGEN.

2. RANKING AMERICAN OFFICER AT LANDSOUTHEAST COMMAND POST  
HERE, IN COMMAND BECAUSE OF ABSENCE OF SENIOR REP (GREEK BGEN),  
WAS PREVENTED FROM EXERCISING COMMAND FUNCTIONS BY LOWER-  
RANKING GREEK ARMY OFFICER. LANDSOUTHEAST INFORMED.

3. TRAVELER PROCEEDING THESSALONIKI REPORTED ENCOUNTERING  
HEAVY MILITARY TRAFFIC PROCEEDING EASTBOUND AT 1400Z AT  
SAPROVALTA NEAR MOUTH STRIMON RIVER, W  
CONTINUING ENTIRE  
100 KMS. BACK TO THESSALONIKI.

4. WE HAVE HEARD TWO SEPARATE UNCONFIRMED REPORTS THAT EDIRNE  
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