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QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION
WITH
THE PRESIDENT
AND
SULEYMAN DEMIREL
PRIME MINISTER OF TURKEY

## UNITED STATES EMBASSY RESIDENCE

9:15 A.M. (Helsinki Time)

PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL: We have reviewed our relations with the United States, Turkish-United States relations, and as far as Turkey is concerned, these relations are very valuable and we will do our best not to spoil these relations.

THE PRESIDENT: Let me re-emphasize that I will continue my efforts to remove any roadblocks between the United States and Turkey because we feel good relations with Turkey are of utmost importance to Turkey and the United States, and to the free world, to the world as a whole.

QUESTION: What are the possibilities of keeping the monitoring equipment going in the bases in Turkey, the American radio?

PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL: For the time being, we have stopped the activities, as you know.

QUESTION: What are the possibilities of starting them again?

PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL: We will see.

QUESTION: What does it depend upon?

PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL: I cannot tell you right now.

THE PRESIDENT: Good luck this morning.

THE PRESS: Thank you, sir.

END (AT 9:18 A.M. HELSINKI TIME)