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March 12, 1975

## MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: A. Denis Clift

SUBJECT: Reply to Cablegram from Archbishop Makarios

On February 27, Archbishop Makarios sent the President a cablegram (at Tab B, together with the Department of State's memorandum) drawing attention to the non-implementation of certain portions of previous U. N. resolutions concerning Cyprus, explaining the reasons behind his government's recourse to the Security Council and asking for the support of the United States in the current U. N. debate.

Embassy Nicosia has recently expressed concern over the increasingly anti-American tone of the Cypriot press, particularly since the suspension of the intercommunal talks and the Turkish Cypriot action in mid-February to proclaim a quasi-independent state in the Turkish-occupied northern portion of Cyprus. A letter from the President to Archbishop Makarios would not go unnoticed in Nicosia and would provide an opportunity to underscore and clarify our Cyprus policy to the Cypriot leadership and people.

If you agree, the memorandum at Tab I for your signature to the President would forward a reply to Archbishop Makarios outlining our Cyprus policy, reaffirming our support for negotiations between the involved parties and expressing our willingness to continue to play an active role in facilitating an early negotiated solution to the Cyprus problem.

The President's letter has been cleared with Paul Theis.

## RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

SUBJECT: Reply to Cablegram from Archbishop Makarios

Cypriot President Archbishop Makarios recently cabled you (message at Tab B) drawing attention to the non-implementation of certain portions of past U. N. resolutions concerning Cyprus, explaining the reasons behind his government's recourse to the Security Council and asking for the United States' support in the current U. N. debate.

If you agree, the letter at Tab A for your signature to Archbishop Makarios would outline the basic elements of our Cyprus policy, reaffirm our support for negotiations between the involved parties and express our willingness to continue to play an active role in facilitating an early negotiated solution to the Cyprus problem.

Your letter has been cleared with Paul Theis.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the letter at Tab A.

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Your Beatitude:

Thank you for your message of February 27 and your views on the situation in Cyprus.

I share with you the hope that rapid progress will be made toward a negotiated solution to the Cyprus problem. Let me assure you that the United States supports the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Cyprus. In this spirit, we will continue our efforts to encourage a peaceful solution to the Cyprus problem based on justice, dignity and self-respect for all.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

His Beatitude  
Archbishop Makarios, III  
President  
Republic of Cyprus  
Nicosia

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Text of Message

February 27, 1975

Your Excellency:

During the past few days the Security Council has been discussing our recourse and a resolution is about to be adopted. I do not intend to refer in detail to the circumstances prevailing in Cyprus since the Turkish aggression on military occupation of a substantial part of the territory of the Republic. I would only like to invite attention to the fact that no development has taken place towards the implementation of these solutions of the General Assembly and the Security Council and particularly of Resolution No. 3212. Thus 40-0/0 of the Greek Cypriots continue to be displaced from their homes being compelled to live in appalling conditions and the Turkish troops are still occupying and devastating the north part of the island. Moreover, the recent unilateral proclamation of a federated Turkish Cypriot state has undermined and rendered meaningless the continuation of the intercommunal talks and has seriously aggravated the situation in Cyprus. My government has consequently had recourse to the Security Council asking for the full implementation of the United Nations resolutions which provide inter alia for speedy return of displaced persons to their homes in conditions of safety and the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Cyprus. I know Your Excellency's dedication to the principles of the United Nations Charter. I am confident that you will give the necessary instructions to your representative at the Security Council to support my government's effort for the adoption of effective measures for the implementation of the United Nations resolutions on Cyprus for the sake of a just and peaceful solution of the Cyprus problem safeguarding the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Cyprus. Please accept Excellency, together with my appreciation, the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Archbishop Makarios  
President  
Republic of Cyprus







DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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March 6, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT  
THE WHITE HOUSE

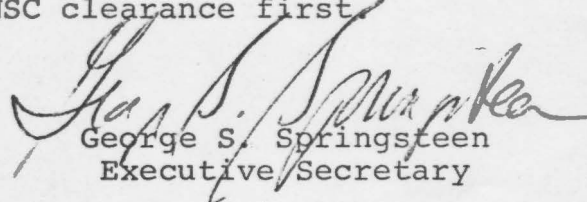
Subject: Reply to Telegram from Archbishop  
Makarios

Archbishop Makarios cabled the President on February 27 drawing attention to the non-implementation of previous UN resolutions on Cyprus, explaining his Government's recourse to the Security Council, and asking United States' support.

A letter from the President would be front-page news in the Cypriot press. A friendly letter could helpfully serve to clarify our Cyprus policy and intentions, which are widely misunderstood on the island.

We have, therefore, drafted a sympathetic letter expressing disappointment that more rapid progress toward a settlement has not been made and reaffirming our support for the negotiations and our willingness to continue to play an active role.

Mr. Eagleburger asks that this letter not be sent without clearance with the Secretary. However, he agrees to seeking NSC clearance first.

  
George S. Springsteen  
Executive Secretary

Attachments:

1. Suggested reply
2. Copy of Archbishop Makarios' cable



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SUGGESTED REPLY

Archbishop Makarios  
President of the Republic of Cyprus

Your Beatitude:

Thank you for your message of February 27. I share your disappointment that there has not been more rapid progress toward a Cyprus settlement and want to assure you that the United States remains committed to a fair and freely negotiated settlement which preserves the sovereignty, independence, and territorial integrity of Cyprus and enables the people of Cyprus to live together in peace and security. In this spirit, I can assure you that the United States will continue to play an active role and to support all efforts which will hasten the peace of justice and conciliation we all seek.

Gerald R. Ford





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The White House  
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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

YOUR EXCELLENCY

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13 KNOW YOUR EXCELLENCYS DEDICATION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE  
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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

3/11/75

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL THEIS

FROM:

Gerry Flynn  
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Would you or one of your staff please  
clear the attached letter for the  
President's signature as soon as possible?

Thank you.

OK.  
M.F.  
3/11/75



PROPOSED REPLY

Your Beatitude:

Thank you for your message of February 27, <sup>and</sup> ~~I appreciate having~~  
your views on the situation in Cyprus.

I share with you the hope that rapid progress will be made toward a negotiated solution to the Cyprus problem. Let me assure you that the United States supports the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Cyprus. In this spirit, we will continue our efforts to encourage a peaceful solution to the Cyprus problem based on justice, dignity and self-respect for all.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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