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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

CYPRUS

Situation Report Number 9
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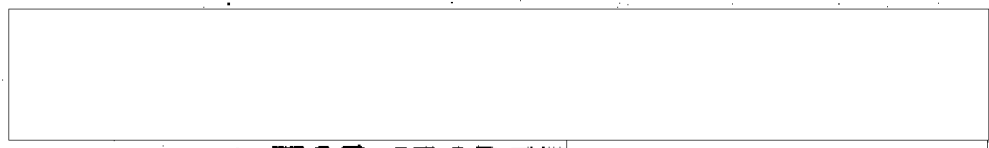
(All times cited are Nicosia time, unless otherwise specified.)

THE POLITICAL SITUATION

1. No reports have been received on the outcome of the diplomatic consultations in London. Prime Minister Mason conferred with Turkish Prime Minister Ecevit for three hours last night, but it is not known whether Ecevit met with Archbishop Makarios. Makarios is expected to fly to New York today and is scheduled to address the UN tomorrow morning. Makarios has also been invited by Senator Fulbright to meet with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

2. Ex-King Constantine of Greece has issued a statement calling for the return of Makarios to Cyprus. In a message transmitted by the Greek language service of the British Broadcasting Corporation, Constantine also said that it is a national imperative that a responsible government be formed in Greece. He called on the armed forces to take the lead in restoring democracy in Greece.

3. Greek Cypriot troops have launched a massive manhunt for left-wing and pro-Makarios supporters. More than 1,000 have been arrested, according to press accounts.



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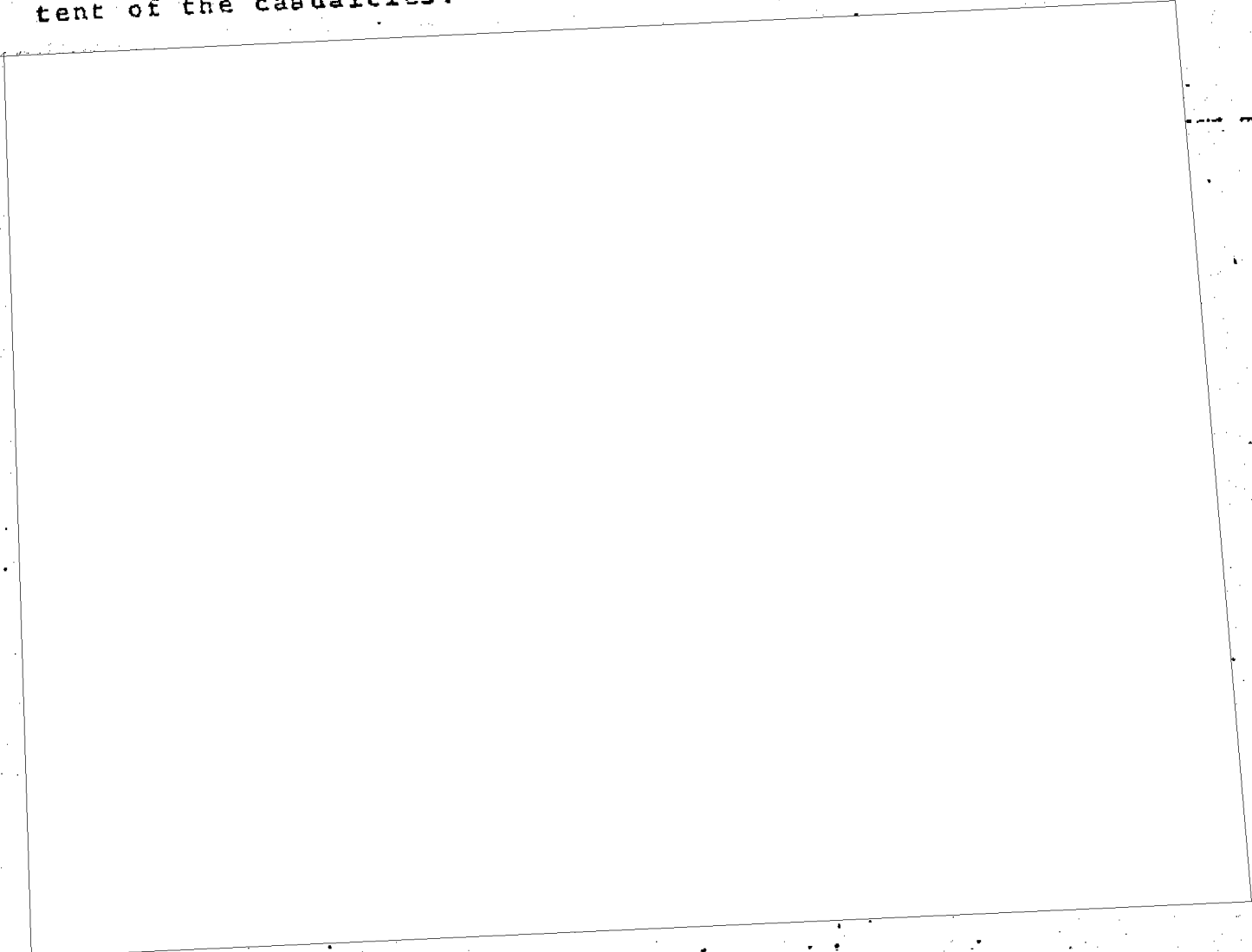
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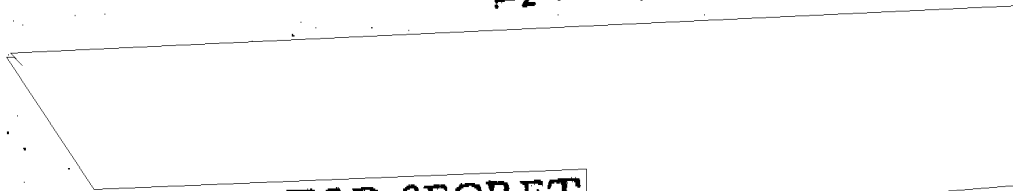
Newly-installed Cypriot President Nikolaos Sampson has scheduled a press conference for noon today.

MILITARY SITUATION

4. Fighting has apparently died down on Cyprus and the Nicosia airport reopened this morning for the first time since the coup. UN medical teams have been instructed to visit local hospitals to ascertain the extent of the casualties.



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