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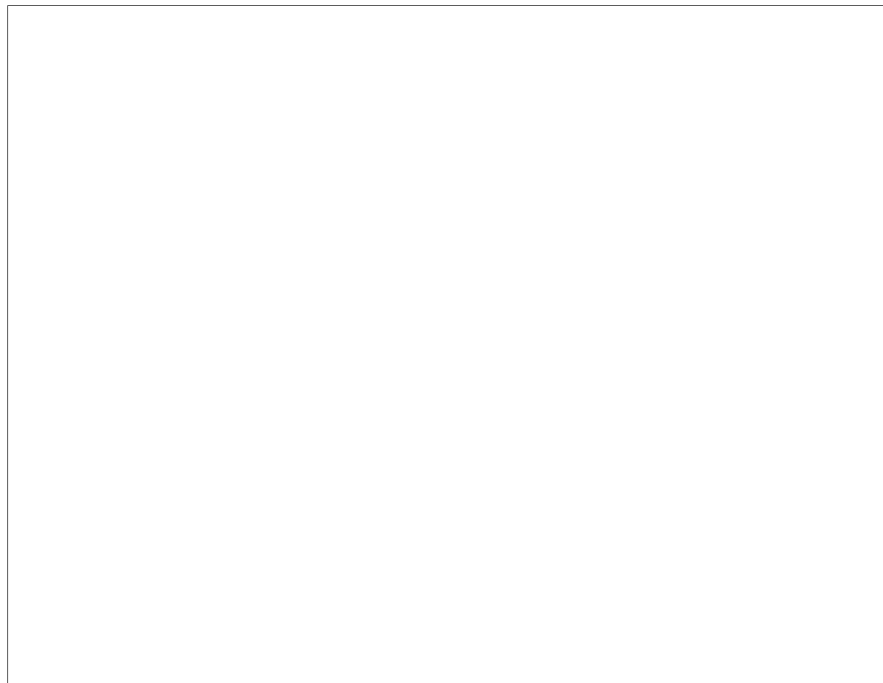
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CYPRUS

President Makarios has outlined measures to increase pressure on the outlawed EOKA-B, the pro-enosis (union with Greece) group, in an effort to curb the current wave of violence which has led to at least five deaths, including that of a British citizen. Makarios plans to step up searches for guerrillas and weapons; purge about 100 anti-Makarios police, teachers, and civil servants; and deny religious privileges to anti-government clergy. In addition, the Cypriot police force is to be strengthened, and added security is to be provided for government officials.

Makarios sees the terrorism as the implementation of a long-standing underground plan of assassinations and bombings. Targets include several government and political leaders, including leftist Makarios supporter Vassos Lyssarides and ten pro-Makarios police. Attacks on police vehicles throughout the country are also expected.

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