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INTELLIGENCE MEMORANDUM

CYPRUS

Situation Report Number 16
(As of 0700 EDT)

(All times cited are Nicosia time, unless otherwise specified.)

MILITARY SITUATION

1. The military situation on Cyprus remains quiet. The Turks are expected to continue their consolidation efforts on the Karpas Peninsula today but have previously encountered little resistance in this area.

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CYPRUS REACTION TO THE DEATH OF AMBASSADOR DAVIES

2. A government spokesman in Nicosia said yesterday evening that the government of Cyprus is determined not to let "this tragic incident" affect relations with the U.S. The crime, which he attributed to "irresponsible troublemakers," will be investigated immediately and those responsible brought to justice.

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EOKA-B DISCREDITED IN CYPRUS

3. The EOKA-B movement, a right-wing terrorist group that favors union with Greece, has been completely discredited throughout Cyprus, according to a leader of the Unified Party. [redacted]

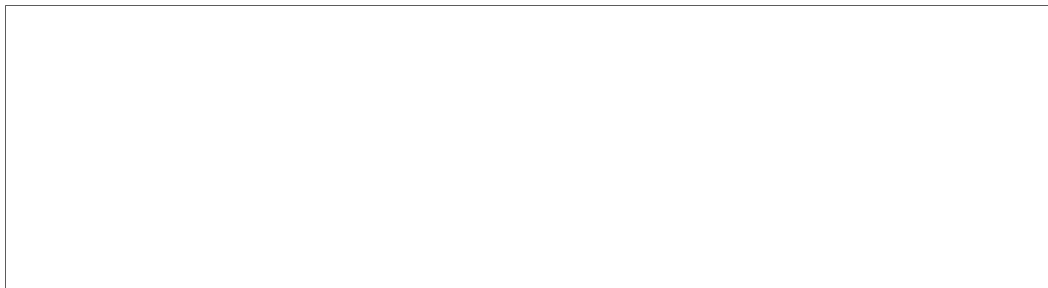
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[redacted] that the Cypriot politician attributes the EOKA-B loss of prestige to two factors:

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--it encouraged the belief that Greece would intervene militarily in any crisis; and

--it failed to distinguish itself during the fighting.



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TURKISH POLICY

4. [redacted]

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[redacted] the policies of the Ecevit government have hardened as a result of the Cyprus crisis. [redacted] in the future Turkey will pursue its national interests with greater strength and determination and without regard to world opinion. The Turkish government believes that it has been let down not only by its West European allies and the UN, but by the US as well. Special emphasis was given to Turkey's dispute with Greece over oil rights in the Aegean. [redacted] the fighting on Cyprus proved that Greece was incapable of defending islands far from its mainland. Turkey

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