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1. SUMMARY: AKEL CHARGED THAT KYPRIANOU HAD ENDED THE "MINIMUM PROGRAM" BETWEEN DEKO AND AKEL IN DECEMBER 1984 AT THE WRITTEN REQUEST OF PRESIDENT REAGAN. AKEL ALSO ATTACKED KYPRIANOU FOR GRANTING FACILITIES TO U.S. HELICOPTERS AT LARNACA, AND TO FBIS IN NICOSIA. KYPRIANOU DENIED THE EXISTENCE OF ANY SUCH REAGAN REQUEST, AND DEFENDED THE GOC'S DECISION TO GRANT FACILITIES TO THE HELICOPTERS AND FBIS. THE NEXT ROUND OF SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS AND U.N. OFFICIALS WILL BE IN GENEVA, DECEMBER 13-15. "KIBRIS POSTASI" REPEATED A LONDON "FINANCIAL TIMES" STORY CLAIMING THE "TRNC" WAS ABOUT TO ISSUE ITS OWN CURRENCY. END SUMMARY.

2. COMMUNIST AKEL PARTY LEADER PAPAIONNOU ACCUSED PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU ON DECEMBER 5 OF HAVING ENDED HIS COOPERATION WITH AKEL (THE "MINIMUM PROGRAM") IN 1984 IN RESPONSE TO A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT REAGAN. ACCORDING TO A REPORT IN "HARAVGHI" (AKEL OFFICIAL PAPER) DECEMBER 6, AKEL ALSO CHARGED KYPRIANOU WITH HAVING MADE A SECRET AGREEMENT WITH REAGAN TO GRANT FACILITIES AT LARNACA AIRPORT "TO THE USA ... FOR INTERVENTION AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF OUR NEIGHBOR, LEBANON." THE PAPER ALSO ACCUSED KYPRIANOU OF ALLOWING THE U.S. TO CONSTRUCT A "SPY RADIO STATION" IN NICOSIA (FYI - THE NEW FBIS FACILITY). THE PAPER DEMANDED OF KYPRIANOU "WHAT HAVE YOU SECURED FROM THE AMERICANS FOR THIS?"

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PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU RESPONDED DECEMBER 5 TO AKEL'S CHARGES CONCERNING HIS CANCELLATION OF THE "MINIMUM PROGRAM" AND HIS SUPPOSED "SECRET DEALINGS" WITH THE USG. ACCORDING TO REPORTS IN "ELEFTHEROTYPIA" (DEKO OFFICIAL PAPER) AND THE ENGLISH-LANGUAGE "CYPRUS MAIL" (INDEPENDENT) DECEMBER 6, KYPRIANOU CALLED THE CHARGES "SHAMELESS LIES." HE SAID THAT THE TERMINATION OF HIS COOPERATION WITH AKEL "WAS DUE SOLELY TO THE UNACCEPTABLE POLICY OF THE AKEL LEADERSHIP ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. " HE ADDED "THERE ARE NO SECRET AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE FACILITIES TO NATO COUNTRIES FOR INTERVENTION AGAINST OUR NEIGHBOR LEBANON." TURNING TO THE ISSUE OF THE FBIS STATION, KYPRIANOU SAID THE STATION EXISTED ONLY TO RECORD PUBLIC RADIO BROADCASTS. HE NOTED THAT THE STATION HAD EXISTED SINCE THE COLONIAL PERIOD AND HAD BEEN GRANTED A LICENSE BY THE CYPRUS REPUBLIC IN 1960 FOR THE CONTINUATION OF ITS OPERATIONS. 4. ALL TURKISH CYPRIOT PAPERS REPORTED DECEMBER 6 THAT A TURKISH CYPRIOT TEAM WOULD BE MEETING WITH U.N. OFFICIALS IN GENEVA DECEMBER 13-15 TO CONTINUE "TECHNICAL TALKS" ON "TRNC PRESIDENT" DENKTASH THE UNSYG'S CYPRUS INITIATIVE. TOLD REPORTERS DECEMBER 5 THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE TALKS WOULD BE "TO EXCHANGE VIEWS IN ORDER TO ENABLE THE SECRETARY GENERAL TO DECIDE ON HIS NEXT MOVES." 5. DECEMBER 6 "KIBRIS POSTASI" (INDEPENDENT) REPRODUCED AN ARTICLE FROM THE LONDON "FINANCIAL TIMES" OF DECEMBER 3 CLAIMING THE "TRNC" WOULD SOON BEGIN ISSUING ITS OWN CURRENCY, TIED TO THE DOLLAR OR POUND STERLING. ARTICLE SAID THE ECONOMY OF NORTHERN CYPRUS HAD BEEN HARMED BY THE HIGH RATE OF INFLATION IN TURKEY, AND BY THE DEVALUATION OF THE TURKISH LIRA. THE REPORT ADDED THAT THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS WERE ONLY DELAYING THE ISSUANCE OF THIS "TRNC" CURRENCY IN ORDER TO SEE IF A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM WERE ABOUT TO BE REACHED. (NOTE: REFTELS ADDRESS SIMILAR PRESS REPORTS ON THIS SUBJECT.) BOEHM END OF MESSAGE UNCLASSIFIED

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