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MY TELNO 1014: CYPRUS.

1. KYPRIANOU SAW WALDHEIM ALONE FOR AN HOUR ON 12 OCTOBER. DISCUSSION CONTINUED OVER LUNCH. THERE WILL BE A FURTHER MEETING THIS AFTERNOON (13 OCTOBER).
2. URQUHART TOLD ME LAST NIGHT THAT THE MEETING HAD NOT GONE WELL. THOUGH URQUHART HAD NOT YET HAD A FULL ACCOUNT FROM WALDHEIM, IT WAS CLEAR THAT KYPRIANOU HAD BEEN VERY OBSTINATE, AND THAT HE DID NOT WANT A GENUINE NEGOTIATION. KYPRIANOU HAD AS GOOD AS SAID OVER LUNCH THAT HE WANTED TO GO BACK TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. HIS ENTOURAGE, INCLUDING ROLANDIS, HAD LOCKED MISERABLE BUT HAD SAID NOTHING.
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4. URQUHART SAID THAT THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS HAD IN TURN STRESSED THE ARGUMENTS FOR GOING AHEAD NOW: THIS WAS THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY SINCE THE 1974 COUP FOR GENUINE NEGOTIATIONS, AND THE TURKISH MILITARY GOVERNMENT WAS BETTER PLACED TO SETTLE THAN ANY CONCEIVABLE SUCCESSOR. KYPRIANOU REMAINED UNMOVED.

5. URQUHART SAID THAT IF, AS HE EXPECTED, KYPRIANOU MAINTAINED HIS POSITION IN THE SECOND ROUND OF TALKS, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL WOULD HAVE TWO OPTIONS: TO LET KYPRIANOU SPIN THINGS OUT INDEFINITELY OR TO TAKE THE RISK OF SAYING THAT THERE HAD BEEN ENOUGH DELAYS AND THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO GO AHEAD ON 24 OR 26 OCTOBER WITH THE TABLING OF AN EVALUATION, WITHOUT ANY PRIOR ANNOUNCEMENT. WHAT DID I THINK?

6. I SAID THAT OUR STRONG PREFERENCE WOULD BE FOR THE LATTER. PROVIDED KYPRIANOU DID NO MORE THAN DISAGREE WITH WALDHEIM, WE AND OTHER FRIENDLY COUNTRIES WOULD HAVE TEN DAYS IN WHICH TO BRING PRESSURE TO BEAR ON KYPRIANOU. URQUHART SAID THAT HE AGREED. THE PROBLEM WAS THAT KYPRIANOU COULD POISON THE WELL IN ATHENS AND/OR CHALLENGE THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON THE GOOD OFFICES FRONT THROUGH THE RUSSIANS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL. ON THE OTHER HAND, RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREVENTING OR HOLDING UP EFFECTIVE NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE CLEARLY PINNED ON KYPRIANOU AND AT LEAST CLERIDES AND IOANNIDES WOULD BE UNHAPPY AT SUCH ACTION.

7. I AGREED THAT THERE WAS A GOOD CHANCE THAT KYPRIANOU'S BLUFF COULD BE CALLED. HE MUST KNOW THAT RECOURSE TO THE ASSEMBLY WOULD BE A LEAD BALLOON AND THAT, IF THE S-G'S EFFORTS COLLAPSED, IT WOULD BE CLEAR WHERE THE RESPONSIBILITY LAY. I ASKED URQUHART TO ASSURE WALDHEIM THAT, IF HE WENT AHEAD, HE WOULD HAVE OUR FULL SUPPORT. IT MIGHT ALSO BE POSSIBLE TO ORGANISE REPRESENTATIONS TO KYPRIANOU BY THE FRENCH, GERMANS AND ITALIANS.

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