The Commander,
Officers and Soldiers
of the UNITED NATIONS Forces
CYPRUS

As you Know, since 1974, Turkey invaded Cyprus and after occupying the northern part of our country, uprooting its inhabitants, it still remains there unlawfully.

The United Nations Resolutions demand the immediate withdrawal of the Turkish invasion forces from Cyprus and the return of the refugees to their homes. They also demand the restoration and respect of the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Cyprus Republic and call upon everybody to assist the Cyprus Government to exercise its sovereign rights on the whole territory of Cyprus.

We still wait for the enforcement of the above Resolutions and the restoration of our rights for 24 years without any result. For 24 years we remain refugees in our own country, not being able to return and live in our homes and enjoy our properties.

We, the refugees of the occupied village of Philia, march every year in order to exercise our rights to return and settle in our village, asking for your assistance and protection as representatives of the United Nations Organisation, without any responce from your part.

We are today marching again, and ask you, in the name of the U.N.Organisation you represent, its principles and resolutions, to help us return to our homes in conditions of safety.

CYPRUS 19th July 1998.

The refugees of the occupied village of Philia-CYPRUS

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