

Greek And Turkish Cypriot Leaders Agree On Compromise Peace Plan

Greek Cypriot President Archbishop Makarios and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash agreed in principle on a compromise last week that opens the way for a peaceful settlement of the Cyprus dispute and stability in the eastern Mediterranean region. The two leaders reached the compromise solution during a meeting Feb. 12 in Cyprus held under the auspices of United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim. Waldheim described the tasks as a "real breakthrough."

Both leaders turned away from their previous hard-line positions to reach the agreement. The Turkish side, for the first time, agreed to make substantial concessions on territory and accepted a strong central government in return for Greek agreement to a bicomunal federation system in the island. It was announced after the meeting that intercommunal talks to work out the details of the settlement plan will be re-opened in Vienna next month.

The breakthrough on Cyprus is a serious setback for the Carter administration plans for the island. Carter's special envoy Clark Clifford headed for the area Feb. 15 to try to dictate NATO's terms in the dispute and to sabotage any efforts toward a settlement outside of NATO auspices.

Clifford's appointment as mediator of the Cyprus dispute prompted sharp denunciations from the Greek and Cypriot press in the last two weeks. The most embarrassing insult came from Denktash. After the Feb. 12 meeting, Denktash objected to Clifford's mission as "untimely" and "unnecessary," adding: "The U.S. does not have any role to play in Cyprus. They should leave us alone."

The U.S. State Department had barely hid its dissatisfaction after the first unexpected meeting between Makarios and Denktash Jan. 27. The State Department expressed "reservations" over the meeting, and commented cynically that the dialogue "is not enough" to achieve results. The State Department assessment however, contradicted attempts by Trilateral Commission news outlets such as the *New York Times* and *The Washington Post* to peddle the line that positive moves around Cyprus were intended to "please" the new Carter administration.

Both Makarios and Denktash reportedly have met separately with the Soviet ambassador to Cyprus at least once in the last two weeks.

Demirel Forces In Turkey Begin To Move Against NATO Destabilization

The impetus behind Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash's unexpected peace gesture in Cyprus came from the government of Turkish Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel. The Cyprus compromise is viewed as part of the still tentative move by Demirel and pro-development Turkish forces to rid Turkey of the NATO-connected terror networks that are threatening to drive the country into utter chaos.

In the past six months, near-bankrupt Turkey has been heavily engaged in expanding economic and political relations — in particular with the socialist sector, Italy, and Iraq — primarily seeking aid to develop its industry and energy sectors. With an extremely shaky coalition government of four political parties, however, Turkey was not able to make the decisive political decision to completely break with the dollar empire and its debt enforcer, NATO.

In this situation, Prime Minister Demirel has been particularly vulnerable to the blackmail and threats of other coalition partners because of his fear that the ruling coalition would collapse, taking with it his power.

In the past two weeks, coinciding with the moves toward a settlement in Cyprus, the destabilization operation controlled by NATO has reached the point where a military intervention is threatened. The NATO disruption inside Turkey is run by Deputy Prime Minister Alpaslan Turkes and his National Action Party paramilitary thugs. The Turkes operation included an ultimatum to Demirel to control the violence from an Air Force general who is linked to Bulent Ecevit and the agent wing of the Social Democratic opposition. More than 35 persons, mostly students have been killed since January, by the fascist followers of Turkes.

This week Demirel sternly warned against a military

intervention and told the military to stay out of politics. Demirel also clipped Turkes's wings — though some observers feel not enough. He removed the Coordination Council for Security Affairs from Turkes and placed it

under the Interior Ministry controlled by Necmettin Erbakan of the National Salvation Party. Demirel also formed a subcommittee, composed of members of his and Erbakan's party to work find solutions to the unrest.

Karamanlis Moves To Mop Up Interpol Terrorists In Greece

By ordering the raid and arrest of members of the extensive "August 4th" fascist network last week in Athens Greek Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis has begun to break up Interpol's terrorist apparatus within his country. In going after the terrorists, Karamanlis is finally exacting revenge on the same Rockefeller-run network of Nazi sympathizers who were used against his government in the 1950s. Since World War II, this network of fascists — who helped coordinate the overthrow of the George Papandreou government in the 1960s — enjoyed special CIA protection and remained out of range of police actions.

Karamanlis' action coincides with similar crackdowns by Italian Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti and Cypriot President Makarios and is designed to thwart plans by Interpol to unleash the "Die Spinne" groups against anti-Wall Street political forces in Europe and the Third World.

Last week, under direct orders from Karamanlis and the Greek Attorney General, the offices of "August 4th" were unexpectedly raided by two Athens district attorneys, who subsequently exposed the connections of the organization with other terrorist gangs, as well as with active and retired army and police officers. The attorneys revealed that the group is composed of 1000 members who are organized in "hit squads" which, among other operations, were involved in last December's

bloody riots in Athens during the funeral of the assassinated former police official Evangelos Mallios. Photographs of all members of the organization were seized during the raid and will be given to the victims terrorized by the group for identification. The attorneys also confiscated a significant number of bombs, explosives, and propagandistic material found in the offices.

Significantly, the agent-infested security police refused to take part in the raid and arrests. Following the raid, several "August 4" members have been indicted on various charges, while the Greek press reports that the Athens district attorney's office has gathered important information to be used for the prosecution of all fascist groups.

Karamanlis' preemptive strike against the Die Spinne apparatus was made with the backing of Great Britain, with whom Karamanlis maintains close ties. As one of Europe's driving forces against the continuation of dollar hegemony, Britain is lending critical support for Karamanlis, who, pressured by the deteriorating Greek economy, is making tentative but significant steps toward closer collaboration with the Socialist bloc, Western Europe and the Arab states, as well as toward facilitating a Cyprus settlement. Karamanlis has received full backing from the Greek Communist Party to "dismantle the invisible government."