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Armenian National Committee of America  
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

To: Foreign Affairs Legislative Assistant  
From: Aram S. Hamparian, Executive Director  
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**Re: Troubling development concerning Cyprus**

Earlier today, leading Greek American organizations shared with us troubling news of a forthcoming business delegation, apparently being facilitated by our own State Department, to the illegally occupied northern territory of Cyprus.

Our specific concern deals with the reported participation of the Commercial Attaché of the U.S. Embassy in Ankara. This official involvement would imply a tacit U.S. legitimization of the occupation forces dividing this European Union member, effectively rewarding Turkey for its 1974 invasion, and turning a blind eye to more than thirty years of obstruction by the Turkish side of the various initiatives to bring peace to this island.

I understand that the American Hellenic Institute, on behalf of the Greek American community, has sent letters to each of the nine companies slated to take part in this delegation.

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