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**UNITED NATIONS
(UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY
FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST)
and
CYPRUS**

**Exchange of letters constituting an agreement relating to
the assignment of UNRWA staff to Cyprus. Vienna,
26 June 1985, and Nicosia, 5 July 1985**

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**ORGANISATION DES NATIONS UNIES
(OFFICE DE SECOURS ET DE TRAVAUX
DES NATIONS UNIES POUR LES RÉFUGIÉS
DE PALESTINE DANS LE PROCHE-ORIENT)
et
CHYPRE**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif à l'affecta-
tion de personnel de l'UNRWA à Chypre. Vienne,
26 juin 1985, et Nicosie, 5 juillet 1985**

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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT¹
BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS (UNITED NATIONS
RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES
IN THE NEAR EAST) AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS
RELATING TO THE ASSIGNMENT OF UNRWA STAFF TO
CYPRUS

I

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER-GENERAL

Vienna, 26 June 1985

(OR 120/3(L-1))

Your Excellency,

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) would wish to assign to Cyprus a limited number of its staff. Their function would be to provide administrative and logistical support for UNRWA operations in Lebanon. The assignment would be temporary in nature and the need for it will be reviewed from time to time by UNRWA taking into account the situation in Lebanon.

I should be grateful for confirmation that this is acceptable to Your Excellency's Government. I should also be grateful for confirmation that the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, 1946,² shall apply to UNRWA and its staff and, further, that the UNRWA unit in Cyprus shall be accorded treatment no less favourable than that accorded to any other organ of the United Nations in Cyprus.

In the event of a favourable response from Your Excellency and in view of UNRWA's operational needs I would propose that UNRWA staff enter upon their duties in Larnaca, Cyprus, soon. The head of the UNRWA unit would be Mr. Mogens Friis, now UNRWA's Field Administration Officer in Lebanon.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signed]

ROBERT S. DILLON
Deputy Commissioner-General
UNRWA

His Excellency Mr. George Iacovo
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Nicosia, Cyprus

¹ Came into force on 5 July 1985 by the exchange of the said letters.

² United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1, p. 15, and vol. 90, p. 327 (corrigendum to vol. 1, p. 18).

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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Minister's Office

Nicosia, 5th July 1985

Ref. No. 1079/68/1

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 26th June 1985 on the assignment to Cyprus of a small part of the staff of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, I would like to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Cyprus agrees to your request and confirms the following:

- a) That the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, 1946, shall apply to UNRWA and its staff, and
- b) That the UNRWA unit in Cyprus shall be accorded treatment no less favourable than that accorded to any other organ of the United Nations in Cyprus.

The Protocol Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been requested to render such assistance and make such arrangements as are necessary to facilitate the work of the unit that is to be assigned to Cyprus.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signed]

GEORGE IACOVOU
Minister

Mr. Robert S. Dillon
Deputy Commissioner-General
UNRWA