United States Senate

CYPRIUS ROBO

September 9, 1964

Dear ---:

I share your grave concern and that of Hellenes and Cypriots throughout the world over the crisis confronting the people of Cyprus.

As I assured others who have written me, I have taken careful account of the developments in Cyprus day by day. As dark as the picture may appear, I am extremely hopeful that upon the latest developments an effective cease fire can be maintained and that negotiations will be reopened through which a desirable solution may be found. This might very well be in the field of enosis or self-determination. I assure those citizens of our nation of Hellenic extraction, many of whom are long-time close personal friends, that I, as the Minority Leader of the United State Senate, will do everything within my power and judgment to see that the Administration does nothing that might cause Cypriot people to be fearful of their future.

We are gravely concerned over the safety of innocent citizens of Cyprus who are caught in the middle of gunfire from strafing by the Turkish Air Force and such violations to the edicts of the United Nations will not be tolerated.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen