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GÜVENDE KAL GÜNLÜK TABLO
STAY SAFE DAILY CHART

24 Saat İçerisinde Takılan Bileklik Sayısı
Number of Wristbands Fitted in The Last 24 Hours **291**

24 Saat İçerisinde Takibi Sonlandırılan Bileklik Sayısı
Number of Wristbands Whose Tracking Has Been Ended in The Last 24 Hours **155**

GÜVENDE KAL GENEL TABLO
STAY SAFE GENERAL SITUATION

Takip Edilen Bileklik Sayısı
Number of Wristbands Followed **2213**

Takibi Sonlandırılan Bileklik Sayısı
Number of Wristbands Whose Tracking Has Been Ended **30.688**



KUZEY KIBRIS TÜRK CUMHURİYETİ
SAĞLIK BAKANLIĞI

COVID-19 GÜNLÜK TABLO
COVID-19 DAILY CHART

Bugün Yapılan Test Sayısı
Test Conducted Today **27.898**

Bugün Saptanan Pozitif Vaka Sayısı
Positive Cases Confirmed Today **106**

Ülke Dışından Gelen Vaka Sayısı
Positive Cases From Abroad **7**

Karantınada Pozitifleşen Temaslı Vaka Sayısı
Contact Cases That Became Positive in Quarantine **16**

Bugün Saptanan Yerel Vaka Sayısı
Positive Local Cases Confirmed Today **83**

İyileşip Bugün Taburcu Edilen Hasta Sayısı
Patients Recovered Today **78**

Bugün Kaybedilen Hasta
Daily Deaths **-**

COVID-19 GENEL DURUM
COVID-19 GENERAL SITUATION

Yapılan Toplam Test Sayısı
Tests Conducted in Total **1.939.156**

Toplam Vaka Sayısı
Positive Cases Confirmed in Total **11.445**

İyileşip Toplam Taburcu Edilen Hasta Sayısı
Patients Recovered and Discharged in Total **9687**

Tedavisi Devam Eden Vaka Sayısı
Patients Receiving Treatment **1718**

Pandemi Merkezindeki Hasta Sayısı
Patients Receiving Treatment in Pandemic Center **80**

Pandemi Otellerinde Takip Edilen Vaka Sayısı
Cases Receiving Follow Up at Pandemic Hotels **1483**

Tetkikleri Devam Eden Vaka Sayısı
Number of Cases Whose Examinations Are Continuing **150**

Toplam Kaybedilen Hasta Sayısı
Deaths in Total **40**

Yoğun Bakımda Yatan Hasta Sayısı
Patients in Intensive Care **5**

Ülke Geneline Bugün Yapılan Aşı Miktarı
Amount of Vaccines Administered Across the Country Today **6381**

VAKALARIN İLÇELERE GÖRE DAĞILIMI

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-LEFKOŞA-
HASPOLAT: 1
GÖÇMENKÖY: 2
YENİKENT: 2
GÖNYELİ: 7
KIZILBAŞ: 3
HAMİTKÖY: 2
YILMAZKÖY: 1
SURLARIÇI: 2
K.KAYMAKLI: 1
K.ÇİFTLİK: 1
KIRIKKALE: 1
YDÜ BULVARI: 5

-LEFKE-
YEŞİLİYURT: 1

-GİRNE-
MERKEZ: 5
DOĞANKÖY: 1
ALSANCAK: 6
BEYLERBEYİ: 1
DAĞYOLU: 1
KAŞGAR: 2
ZEYİTLİK: 1
LAPTA: 4
BOĞAZKÖY: 1
Y.GİRNE: 1
A.GİRNE: 1
KARAKUM: 1

-GÜZELYURT-
MERKEZ: 2
KALKANLI: 1
BOSTANCI: 1

-GAZİMAĞUSA-
MERKEZ: 5
MARAS: 1
BAYKAL: 2
NERGİSLİ: 2
SURLARIÇI: 1
MUTLUYAKA: 1
İNÖNÜ: 2
KARAKOL: 1
GÜLSEREN: 2
CANBULAT: 1
Y.BOĞAZIÇI: 1
TUZLA: 2

-İSKELE-
AYGÜN: 2
KUZUCUK: 1
TURNALAR: 1

KARANTİNADA POZİTİFLEŞEN TEMASLI VAKA: 16

YURTDIŞINDAN GELEN VAKA: 7



KUZEY KIBRIS TÜRK CUMHURİYETİ
SAĞLIK BAKANLIĞI

News from the Asylum: Woman age shame scandal

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In an appalling example of unwarranted ageism. A woman was, shockingly, described as a 62 year old grandmother.

The 62 year old, who is a grandmother, brought claims for everything she could think of at an Industrial Tribunal in the UK. Agreeing that she was 62 and a grandmother she nevertheless pleaded that the accurate description of her was a foul attempt to smear her as no longer being a 16 year old virgin and therefore unemployable and unfit for a blind date. The woman is not blind.

A judge agreed that this was the most egregious case of

discrimination ever brought before the courts of a so called civilised country.

WARNING: The article shown contains a lot of poetic licence but is true in substance.



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Turkey hits back at UN and other countries regarding Maraş

"We reject the Presidential Statement made by the UN Security Council on the second phase of the Maraş initiative, announced by the President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), H.E. Mr. Ersin Tatar, on 20 July 2021, as well as the statements from various countries which are based on unfounded claims and inconsistent with the realities on the Island. We fully share the TRNC's official responses to them."

These statements are based on Greek-Greek Cypriot black propaganda and groundless claims, such as that Maraş is not TRNC territory that the TRNC will confiscate the properties in Maraş and bring settlers there against the property rights.

Maraş is a part of TRNC territory. Furthermore, it has not been opened to settlement and was declared as a military zone as a good will gesture by the TRNC authorities.

Last October, the TRNC Government allowed public access to two main streets and the beach in Maraş, which has remained closed for 47 years and has started to pose environmental hazards. Lately, the TRNC Government has lifted the military

zone status of a pilot area, which corresponds to 3.5 percent of Maraş.

All decisions taken by the TRNC authorities, within the scope of the Maraş initiative, respect the property rights and are in full compliance with international law. Contrary to claims, the relevant UN Security Council resolutions are not violated. Moreover, the UN Security Council resolutions are not above property and sovereignty rights.

As stated by H.E. President Erdoğan, these steps will not cause new grievances, but will eliminate the current ones to the benefit of everyone. On the other hand, the UN Security Council unfortunately insists on not noticing the realities on the ground concerning the Cyprus issue as well.

Despite all the goodwill of the Turkish side, decades of efforts could not lead to a bizonal, bicomunal federal settlement due to the intransigent attitude of the Greek Cypriot administration. In the absence of an agreement on this model between the parties, insisting on a federal settlement now damages the credibility of the Council.

A new negotiation process towards a just, lasting and sustainable settlement to the Cyprus issue could begin only by securing the equal sovereignty and equal international status of the Turkish Cypriot people.

With this understanding, we invite the UN Security Council to elude itself from the misleading propaganda of the Greek-Greek Cypriot duo, and to support the lawful steps taken by the TRNC regarding Maraş as well as their constructive and realistic proposal submitted in Geneva.

It makes no sense for the EU to talk about lawfulness as it unlawfully admitted the Greek Cypriot administration into the Union

confessing that this was a political decision. This is equally applicable for some European countries who backed the lawlessness at that time. The fact that this group is now trying to teach us lawfulness is completely an act of hypocrisy.

We once again call on this group and the international community to face the realities on the Island, to end the injustice they have caused to the Turkish Cypriot people, to respect the will of the Turkish Cypriot people as well as their sovereign equality and equal status which they achieved in 1960".

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



Akar: You cannot ignore Turkish Cypriots and Republic of Turkey

Turkish Minister of National Defence Hulusi Akar said "You cannot get anywhere by ignoring the Turkish Cypriots and the Republic of Turkey".

In his statement during a visit, Akar said "We always tell our Greek neighbours that we favour finding political solutions to problems through

peace, tranquility, and dialogue within the scope of agreements but on the other hand our Greek Cypriot neighbours have not given up on provocative statements and aggressive rhetoric".

He underlined that Turkey continues to resolutely carry out its duties to protect the nation's rights and interests in the Aegean, Mediterranean, and the island of Cyprus.

"We are determined to protect and safeguard our rights and interests in the Aegean, Eastern Mediterranean, and Cyprus, as well as the rights and interests of our Turkish Cypriot brothers and sisters. Whatever needs to be done in this regard we have done

and will continue to do so with determination. Let no one doubt that," he said.

Stressing the importance of sharing hydrocarbon wealth equally, Akar said that they cannot get anywhere by ignoring the Turkish Cypriots and Turkey. Turkey is a guarantor country and, as a guarantor, Turkey is determined to protect its own and Turkish Cypriot rights. Turkey will not allow any "fait accompli" in the region, he stressed.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



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Tatar: Second step regarding Maraş taken to eliminate grievances

TRNC President Ersin Tatar stated that the second step regarding Maraş was taken in accordance with international law and human rights, to eliminate grievances.

Tatar said, "The Greek Cypriot Administration has used every means and method to prevent this opening, and it threatens and spreads fear in its own citizens who will apply to the Immovable Property Commission. In addition to this, the crossings of third country citizens from the South to the TRNC is prevented for various reasons. What is against human rights is this attitude of the Greek Cypriot Administration".

President Ersin Tatar made the following statement regarding the opening of closed Maraş and the attitude of the Greek Cypriot Administration and EU:

"While the Greek Cypriot Administration has been responding negatively to the calls for dialogue and reconciliation which we have made since past times, it continues its outdated domination mentality and its attempts to possess the whole of

Cyprus. Of course, it is not possible for us to remain as spectators. While the Greek Cypriot Administration aims to make our people a minority with a solution based on a federal basis, its other goal is the abolishment of Turkey's guarantorship and withdrawal of Turkish troops from Cyprus. The negotiation processes on the Cyprus issue, which started in 1968, failed due to the negative attitude of the Greek Cypriot side, especially the Annan Plan referendum and the events in Crans Montana, this has shown once again that a solution based on a federal basis is not possible. As a result of these issues, a solution based on the existence of two sovereign equal states that benefit Cyprus and the region was brought to the agenda by us and put on the negotiation table in Geneva. It will never be possible for us to take a step back from this solution proposal.

In the meantime, a great opening was started in 2020 on the subject of closed Maraş, which has been left to deteriorate for 47 years, and some public areas and a part of the sea coast were opened to the use of

the public, taking into account international law. While the echoes of this opening continue, as I explained on the 47th anniversary of the 20th July 1974 Peace Operation, we have entered the second phase of the closed Maraş opening.

According to this, our decision to open the closed Maraş, which is a part of the TRNC, is an extremely important development that will enable the return of former residents and beneficiaries who have not been able to go to their properties for many years. Our aim is to eliminate grievances. This expansion will be carried out through the Immovable Property Commission. In this framework, the military zone status of the region, which corresponds to 3½% of the closed Maraş, was abolished. With this step, the

Immovable Property Commission will be given the opportunity to make a decision in this direction for the beneficiaries who apply for the return request. While this opening was brought to the agenda in accordance with international law and human rights, the Greek Cypriot Administration, which received strength and encouragement from the EU and some other countries, has used every means and method to prevent this opening. Our solution proposal based on the existence of two sovereign equal states supported by Turkey is at the negotiating table. The opening of closed Maraş will also continue. There will never be a turning back."

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



"Teslimat" (Delivery) won "Best Social Feature Film" award



The Turkish-Cypriot short film 'Teslimat' (Delivery) was awarded the "Best Social Film" at the Sax International Film Festival, which was pre-selected for the Spanish Academy Awards (GOYA).

The short film "Delivery", directed by Doğuş Özokutan, won another important award from Spain.

The Sax International Film Festival "Best Social Feature Film" award was the fifth award

won by "Delivery", which was produced with the financial support of Eastern Mediterranean University (EMU) and post-production was made with the financial support of the Culture Department.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

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President Tatar also condemns UNSC President's statement

Statement by the Presidency of the TRNC

We consider the statement made by the President of the United Nations Security Council on July 23, 2021, which has been issued in the face of pressure from the Greek Cypriot side and Greece, as unprincipled. While the TRNC Ministry of Foreign Affairs has already issued a statement on this matter, we would like to reiterate the following points.

Resolutions 550 (1984) and 789 (1992) of the United Nations Security Council and the statement of the President of the Security Council dated October 9, 2020, are aimed at preventing the settlement of Varosha by people other than its inhabitants and, in order to facilitate this, the transfer of the said area to the administration of the UN.

The transfer of the said area to UN administration was thus envisaged as a means to prevent the settlement of Varosha by people other than its former inhabitants.

The Turkish Cypriot side is in fact

fulfilling the aim stipulated in the relevant UN Security Council resolutions by opening the door to facilitate the return of the inhabitants of Varosha through the internationally-sanctioned Immovable Property Commission.

Since the Turkish Cypriot side will open the fenced-off area of Varosha exclusively to its inhabitants in accordance with international law, the transfer of the area to UN administration in the way it has been envisaged in the aforementioned resolutions, that is, in order to make this possible, is now irrelevant.

The statement made by the President of the Security Council on July 23, 2021, under pressure from the Greek Cypriot side, thus overlooks the purpose of the relevant resolutions, instead highlighting the transfer of Varosha to UN administration, thereby obstructing the prompt realisation of the main objective. For this reason, we condemn the statement of the President of the Security Council which amounts to an attempt to obstruct the granting of restitution of

properties in the fenced-off part of Varosha to those claimants.

On the other hand, while the UN Secretary-General acknowledged at the last Geneva meeting that there is no common ground to start formal negotiations between the two sides, and while UN Senior Official Jane Holl Lute is involved in efforts to find such common ground, we see a serious inconsistency in the statement of the President of the Security Council, where it is stated that the Security Council reaffirms its commitment to an enduring, comprehensive and just settlement in accordance with the wishes of so-called "Cypriot people", based

on a bicomunal, bizonal federation with political equality, as set out in relevant Security Council resolutions.

We would like to take this opportunity to underline the fact that there are two peoples and two sovereign States in Cyprus with sovereign equality and equal international status.

President Ersin Tatar will continue to pursue his efforts aimed at reaching a sustainable, win-win settlement in Cyprus on the basis of the sovereign equality and equal international status of the Turkish Cypriot side based on the proposal he submitted at the five-plus-UN informal meeting held in Geneva.



Short film "Teslimat" won 1st prize at 44th Elche Film Festival



The short film "Delivery", directed by Doğuş Özokutan, which was selected for the Spanish Academy Awards (GOYA), won the "Best International Short Film" award at the 44th Elche International Independent Film Festival.

The award is described as the "biggest award" given to foreign films competing in the categories of animation, documentary and fiction films by Elche, one of the oldest festivals in Spain.

The festival is considered one of the most prestigious cinema events in Spain.

Source :
TRNC Public Information Office

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UNSC Presidency Maraş/Varosha statement has factual errors

Statement of the TRNC Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Today (23 July 2021), the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Presidency has made a statement regarding the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha which contains factual errors.

The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) is taking out of the box and constructive steps in the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha which is a part of its territory. In addition to the use of the public areas, the TRNC Council of Ministers has decided to remove the military status of a certain part of the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha. As our President has clearly stated, the decision taken is not only in line with international law but also aims to protect the rights of the property owners.

The wording of the statement of the on the “reopening of the part of the fenced-off area of Varosha” is misleading. The TRNC Council of Ministers has not made a decision

for the reopening of the said area removed from military status. It is regrettable for UNSC to make a statement based on the groundless claims by the Greek Cypriot side concerning the “resettlement” of the fenced-off areas of Maraş/Varosha.

Despite the fact that our decisions regarding the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha also welcomed by Greek Cypriots, it is unfortunate that the UNSC reacted negatively to our initiative to protect the property owners.

It is still remembered that the negotiation processes aiming at a “bi-zonal, bi-communal federation”, especially the Annan Plan, have failed over and over again due to the rejectionist attitude of the Greek Cypriot side. It is an undeniable fact that the negotiations, which envisioned a federal solution model and remained inconclusive for nearly 50 years, have been exhausted and are the relics of the past.

The Turkish Cypriot People desire

a sustainable and lasting agreement with the Greek Cypriot side based on cooperation. A sustainable and lasting agreement is only possible with the acknowledgement of the sovereign equality and equal international status as our inherent right. Instead of making efforts to impose a consumed solution model on the parties, it would be appropriate for the UNSC to take an approach that takes into account the prevailing facts of the Island.

The expression “the People of Cyprus” in the UNSC Presidency’s statement does not reflect the realities on the Island.

There is not one People on the Island but two separate Peoples, namely the Turkish Cypriots and Greek Cypriots. We expect the UNSC to take this fact into account in its statements and decisions.

In line with the proposals made by our President during the 5+UN informal meeting held in Geneva, the Turkish Cypriot side will continue to make a positive contribution to the efforts to reach a sustainable and lasting agreement.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



First Friday prayer in Bilal Ağa mosque in Maraş after 47 years



The first Friday prayer was held in Bilal Ağa Masjid, which is located in the closed Maraş region and was reopened for worship on 20th July, after 47 years.

Bilal Ağa Masjid, which has been closed since the 1974 Cyprus Peace Operation, opened on 20th July with the online participation of President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan for the first Friday prayer to be held, after the restoration.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

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How I coped with one week in quarantine



By Ahmet Abdulaziz

I had never thought that one day I would be under house arrest (Quarantine) for a week. However, it did happen to me on 15th July 2021. Even though my PCR test was negative I still had to remain inside my house for a week.

It so happened that my wife was taking care of a year old baby boy at our home. On 14th July, his mother found that the boy had a fever. So first thing in the morning, she took him to the doctor, who checked him and told her that there was nothing serious. Since the mother had already taken leave from her workplace she did not bring the baby to our house that day.

However, around the midday, she had to go out for some urgent work, so she left the baby at our house. My wife as usual took care of him for about an hour, at which time the mother returned to collect the baby. This time her husband was also with her. They both spent about half an hour at our home and had a cup of coffee and then they left with their child.

Everything was normal as I returned back from my office at around 7 pm. At around 8pm my wife received a call from the

mother of the baby that she, her son and husband all were tested positive a little earlier. She told my wife, that she had given our names to the Health Ministry, since she had visited our house that day.

So that was the start of the one week ordeal that started on 15th July. It was already late, we went to the pandemic hospital, but they told us to come for the PCR tests the next morning. The PCR tests results were negative, but we were asked not to leave our house for a week.

Though I always like the idea of staying home and never liked the idea of going out to work, I had never ever thought that a week long compulsory holiday would mean total restrictions over my movements out of the house. The first problem was to inform my boss, since I usually bring the keys of the office home, so I was supposed to arrange for handing over the office keys to somebody to open the office the next morning. Obviously everyone was reluctant to come to my house and take the keys. Ultimately we arranged that I should put the keys on the outer wall of the house, wrapped in a plastic bag. Of course I was also required to wear plastic gloves. While doing all this I really felt bad, since I never liked to be treated this way.

Luckily inside the house we did not have any shortage of eatables. However we put a table just outside of our house, where our son used to bring bread etc, for us and put there. Thus we were also not having any direct contact with our children. That was also something frustrating but there was no alternative.

Fortunately most part of the week of the quarantine period was already the bayram holidays, so I did not have to work online from home (something that I never like). But it was really very frustrating not to be able to receive any guests at home, or visit others on the occasion of eid (Bayram). Telephone communication was the only option, but in our lives it was the first time that the two of us had spent the Bayram at home, just doing nothing.

Though earlier I had planned to do some painting during the bayram holidays, there was a difference between holidays and quarantine at home. So though I tried to do some painting I could not do anything at all. My wife wanted me to work a bit in our backyard small garden and although I did work there for most of the time, it was an unwilling job for me.

Killing the time was never a problem for me, since I am basically a lazy person, but on this occasion killing the time became a real problem to me. It was really difficult for me to stop myself from counting the days of quarantine remaining. I had started crossing the dates on the wall calendar. I had never thought that one day I would be so eager to go out, but I was.

Eating, lying on the bed, sleeping, that was all that I did during this 7 day long ordeal. Luckily I did not gain any weight, nor did my wife, but for sure I am still somewhat depressed. Our second test, after a week, was also negative, and today (28th July 2021) I went through the last PCR test, with a negative result.

My quarantine has ended and I am free again, but sometimes I think that although I was just inside the house, free to move from room to room, and go out to the backyard small area, I found it really very difficult to pass through this period. What would prisoners feel, locked in their cells, with no place to go. They must pass their days under enormous psychological pressure. Simply I do not want to even think about that.



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Josep Borrell again made a biased statement about closed Maraş

TRNC Foreign Ministry Statement

European Union Commission Vice-President and High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Josep Borrell, as usual made a biased statement on the closed Maraş on 27th July 2021, on behalf of the European Union.

The European Union, which ignores the existence of the Turkish Cypriot people and State, must now accept that the closed Maraş is the territory of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and that the steps taken regarding the closed Maraş are being taken by the TRNC State and Government.

The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus had not taken any steps regarding the closed Maraş in order to give an opportunity to reach an agreement on the island. The ruthless rejection of all agreement opportunities by the Greek Cypriots, which have resulted in more than 50

years spent at the negotiating table, made it necessary to take a step towards the closed Maraş, which has become the symbol of the status quo on the island. As it will be remembered, all the agreement plans and Confidence Building Measures, including the closed Maraş, have been totally rejected by the Greek Cypriot side.

The steps taken by the Turkish Cypriot side within the framework of international law and by observing the right to private property in the closed Maraş, which has become the symbol of the status quo for many years, created satisfaction among the Greek Cypriot people. The fact that the purpose of the initiatives made by the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus has been diverted, primarily by the European Union, is a clear indication of the biased attitude of the EU.

The only aim of the Greek Cypriots is to keep the Turkish Cypriots at the negotiation table forever and to

continue on their way with the comfort of the status quo created by the conflict. The European Union, which has not kept its promises to end the unjust isolation of the Turkish Cypriot people, is preventing any initiative that may allow the Turkish Cypriot people to develop economically.

While the European Union claims that it wants an agreement to be reached on the island, it also displays an unjust approach that ignores the existence of

one side on the island and glorifies the other. This approach is the only source of the uncompromising attitude of the Greek Cypriot Administration.

The fact that respecting the sovereign equality and equal international status of the TRNC is essential for reaching an agreement on the island will sooner or later be acknowledged by the EU.

Source (Turkish) : Ministry of Foreign Affairs



TRNC PM Saner criticises EU for threatening Turkey with sanctions

Prime Minister Ersan Saner said that the European Union is committing an historical mistake by thinking that by issuing threats it can force the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus and Turkey to shy away from taking the right steps in Cyprus.

Stating that the European Union has escalated the intransigent stance of the Greek Cypriot side by not keeping any of the promises it made to the Turkish Cypriot side, Saner said that the EU attempting to threaten Turkey with sanctions because of a decision taken

by the TRNC government to continue with the Maraş initiative is a shameful approach and a clear indication of their support for the Greek Cypriot side.

In his statement, the Prime Minister criticised the European Union which is putting aside its own values of democracy, the rule of law and respect for human rights and is continuing its stance against the Turkish Cypriot people in favour of the Greek Cypriot side.

The European Union, which attempted to take a stand against Turkey because of the decision taken by our government, which received a vote of confidence from the Assembly of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, should know that Maraş is a part of our country, and we are the ones who put forth the will to open it and take the decision in this direction.

Therefore, the European Union, which has escalated the Greek antagonism by not keeping any of its promises to the Turkish Cypriots, attempted to threaten Turkey with sanctions because of a decision taken by the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus government to continue opening the closed city of Maraş, taking into account the decisions of the European Court of Human Rights.

It is a disgraceful and pro-Greek stance.

**Source :
TRNC Public Information Office**



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Tatar: Maraş opens with settlement including private property rights

President Ersin Tatar replied to questions on the agenda in a special broadcast, in which he participated with BRT. Stating that they have been in full consultation and a very consistent attitude with Turkey for the last 2 years regarding the opening process of the closed city Maraş, President Tatar reminded that he has been expressing that the status of Maraş should be changed since the time he was TRNC Prime Minister.

Reminding that Maraş has always been on the table as part of a comprehensive solution, President Tatar said, "If the Greek Cypriot side had said 'yes' to the Annan Plan, Maraş would have been given to the Greek Cypriot side."

President Tatar said, "There is not much to criticise about the steps we have taken" adding that "Where were the UN and the EU when the Turkish Cypriot people were being treated unfairly for so many years?"

During the negotiation process, the issue of Maraş came to the table 8 times. However, due to the uncompromising attitude of the

Greek Cypriot side, a solution could never be reached," he said.

Expressing that they have changed the policy on the issue of Maraş, President Tatar said that, with the support of Turkey, their sensitivity will continue to the end in accordance with international law, and Maraş will be opened to a settlement without denying private property rights. Former property owners will be able to apply to the Immovable Property Commission in order to remedy their grievances.

We opened the place to humanity, today the beautiful beach at Maraş is open for the use of our people. It has also been opened for the Greek Cypriots who want to come here and use that region. Maraş has been brought to humanity and it continues to be cleaned. This is our policy and it is consistent" Tatar said.

Tatar noted that a total of 337 applications have been made to the Immovable Property Commission so far, despite all kinds of pressures from the Greek Cypriot side.

Stating that there is no question of discussing the Maraş issue with the Greek Cypriot leader, President Tatar noted that a step towards the opening of Maraş, which is within the borders of the TRNC, to humanity and the settlement of its former residents through the Immovable Property Commission does not violate human rights.

Stating that this policy of the TRNC and Turkey will continue in a consistent manner, Tatar emphasised that there is no turning back from this step.

Stressing that the UN Security Council decisions on Maraş were taken 37 years ago, Tatar said: "The rules of the game have changed since then. The Maraş opening is also a part of this new understanding of politics. It is not against the law".

Pointing out that the Republic of Turkey has brought up the Cyprus issue, which is carried out on our behalf all over the world, President Tatar emphasised that it is not possible for Turkey to

remain silent in a geography that is so close to itself.

Stating that the security of Turkish Cypriots is guaranteed by Turkey, and that Turkey's security in the Eastern Mediterranean comes from the presence of the TRNC, President Tatar noted that the new policy is built on solid foundations in this framework.

Stating that they will go to New York in September and the Secretary-General will look to see if there is a common ground, but as of now it is not at such a point, Tatar said that the Greek Cypriots can put forward the Maraş issue and avoid reaching a settlement.

Tatar stated that the Turkish Cypriot people have the right to obtain the passport of the Republic of Cyprus and said, "My citizens do not pay allegiance to you just because they have a passport." (BRT)

Source :
TRNC Public Information Office



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Oktay criticises the EU and the UN over Cyprus policy

Turkish Vice President Fuat Oktay said, "The EU has voluntarily and consciously been a party to the deadlock, by including the Greek Cypriot part of the island which said 'no' to a solution.

In his statement to an AA correspondent, Oktay emphasised that the closed city Maraş is in TRNC territory and that the process of gradually coming to life will make important contributions to the region as well as to everyone on the island.

"However, the EU has unfortunately turned its back on the facts and the common good in the Maraş issue, as it also has on the two-sovereign State solution." Oktay said, adding: "We have never heard the European Union express deep concern about the dramas and humanitarian crises in the Mediterranean and the Aegean or say 'never' to the escalating racism and anti-Islamism across Europe. However, when it comes to the equal rights, equity and sovereignty of the Turkish Cypriot people, they can speak very recklessly and insensitively."

"The Greek Cypriots and Greece have been rewarded every time, despite their reneging on all their promises, avoiding the table, violating the agreements and all kinds of spoilers that ignore the Turkish society, while the Turkish Cypriots have paid the price. Neither deep concerns nor veiled threats will prevent Turkey from being on the side of the Turkish Cypriots. Everyone should know that there is no turning back now. We will continue to support the TRNC's determination to open Maraş and the two-state solution without backing down," he further stated.

Noting that the statement made by the UN Security Council (UNSC) about the second phase of the Varosha reopening was a complete disappointment and that it was obvious that the international community was taken hostage by Greece and the Greek Cypriot side, Oktay continued as follows: "We completely reject the statements that are incompatible with the facts about the island and based on unfounded allegations, not only the UN Security Council but also the

stance of some other countries that have expressed an opinion on the issue. This effort of those who took the unfounded allegations made as a result of the black propaganda of the Greek administration and Greece, who wanted to put the process in a deadlock from the very beginning as political material for themselves, is in vain."

"Since Varosha will be opened in accordance with international law and property rights, the 'transfer of the region to the UN administration' stipulated in the aforementioned resolutions in order to make this possible has lost its meaning. I would like to

underline again that all the decisions taken by the TRNC within the scope of the Maraş initiative are within the framework of respect for property rights and are in full compliance with international law," he added.

"Contrary to claims, the relevant UN Security Council resolutions are not violated," the Minister said. Emphasising that UNSC resolutions are never about property and sovereignty rights, Oktay said: "Contrary to what is claimed, there is no violation of UN Security Council resolutions here."

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs condemns EU Maraş statement



We condemn the statement concerning Maraş on 27th July, on behalf of the EU.

This and similar unrealistic statements, ignoring the Turkish Cypriot people, and reflecting only the views of the Greek Cypriot side, have no value or validity for us. This biased position of the EU, displayed with the pretext of membership solidarity and veto concerns is not helpful for the solution of the Cyprus issue.

We fully support all decisions taken by the Turkish Republic of

Northern Cyprus (TRNC) authorities and their proposals regarding the settlement of the Cyprus issue and the Maraş initiative. The Maraş initiative is a decision of the TRNC Government.

The EU should honour its commitments to the Turkish Cypriot people following the Annan Plan in 2004 and commit itself to addressing the TRNC.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office

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TRNC Presidency: Maraş initiative to protect and establish rights

The Presidency stated “The Maraş initiative is aimed at protecting and establishing rights. It is out of the question that Maraş, which is in TRNC territory, will be transferred to another administration by any decision. Maraş needs to be free from the Cyprus problem and made a part of TRNC life.”

In the statement made by the Presidency, it was stated that with the decision taken by the Council of Ministers in 2019, the first policy regarding the Maraş opening was determined and the studies were started. It was also stated that with the opening of some public areas to visitors last October, psychological propaganda material was also published by the Greek Cypriot side.

The statement, which was shared with the public, continued that for all relevant parties the rights of the property holders would be preserved

as a basic principle within the framework of these studies.

After the public areas opened within the framework of the policy determined in this direction, a part of the closed Maraş, one of the most beautiful places in Gazimağusa region, was granted the status of a civil zone with the decision of the Council of Ministers, and the first step was taken to bring the region to life.

It was noted that the most important feature of these applications was that the former residents declared their will to reach their rights regarding their immovable properties.

With this decision, it was stated that the Immoveable Property Commission, which is recognised as an effective domestic law mechanism by the European Court of Human Rights, can make decisions covering all three

remedies, namely; return, compensation and exchange, for the applicants regarding the newly opened region.

Emphasising that the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus has no concern regarding anyone and its law, on the contrary, as can be seen in the Maraş opening, a policy has been established to give these rights to the beneficiaries who have been waiting for all these years. “Those who

oppose our initiative to establish rights through an internationally recognised mechanism, all other parties, especially the Greek Cypriot leadership, should know that asking for our initiative decision to be reversed is equivalent to opposing the former residents' access to their rights. It is clear that this simply means the preservation of the status quo.”

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



Not obtaining TRNC consent to extend UNFICYP mandate is wrong

Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs Statement:

“Not obtaining the TRNC’s consent regarding extending the mandate of the United Nations Peacekeeping Mission is against the UN's own rules and principles”

The UN Security Council extended the mandate of the UN Peacekeeping

Force on the Island of Cyprus (UNFICYP) for a period of six months with its Resolution 2587 (2021) adopted on 29 July 2021.

We fully support the statement made by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC) regarding the resolution.

Unfortunately, this resolution, which is full of inconsistencies and disconnected from realities, ignores once again the will of the Turkish Cypriot people.

It is against the UN’s own rules and principles that the TRNC authorities’ consent was not sought for the extension of the mandate of UNFICYP. We expect the UN to rectify this situation and to conclude an agreement with the TRNC authorities as soon as possible so that the UNFICYP’s presence on TRNC territory would not be questioned.

It is also outlandish and unrealistic that the resolution attempts to dictate to the Turkish Cypriot people the settlement parameters, which were tried and failed, by referring to thirty year old Council resolutions.

There will never be a just, lasting and sustainable settlement on the Island, if the Security Council will not secure the sovereign equality and equal

international status of the Turkish Cypriot people that they gained in 1960 and continues to turn a blind eye to the realities on the Island by treating the Greek Cypriot Administration as the only legitimate representative of the Island despite the crimes it committed in 1963 and to reward the perpetrator and punish the victim.

Therefore, such resolutions have no meaning and value for us.

We call on the Security Council and the international community to focus on reaching a settlement based on the realities, instead of continuing the status quo on the Island.

Source : TRNC Public Information Office



30th July to 5th August 2021

The 2020 International Olive Cartoon Competition

Organised by the Municipality of Girne and the Cyprus Turkish Cartoonists Association, the competition has released its 2020 album. Despite the Covid-19 pandemic last year, 289 cartoonists from 62 countries participated in the International Olive and Free Cartoon Contest and presented 887 works.

Grand Prize (Free Themed Section): Ali Rastroo (Iran),

Olive Section

First Prize: Ayhan Alkan (United Kingdom),

Second Prize: Elahe Khoraman (Iran),

Third Prize: Zhaleh Yoosefinezhad (Iran),

Free Theme Section

First Prize: Mustafa Tozaki (Cyprus),

Second Prize: Damir Novak (Croatia)

Third Prize: Grigoris Georgiou (Greece).

Girne Municipality continues to be a pioneer with its book publications.

The newly published album for the year 2020 contains an introduction, describing the competition, press releases and historical and cultural photographs of our country. It features the winning cartoons and others deemed worthy of exhibition. The album also has the biographies and contributions from the artists who won the golden humour award with their caricatures of the world and our country.

Biler Demircioğlu is noted for his contributions to the fields of humorous theatre, humorous plays and parody that added to the good reputation of Turkish Cypriot humour. Cemal Tunceri adds his contributions to Cypriot humour in the field of caricature, Alberto Morales for his contribution to the art of caricature in Cuba and Spain and the world including Cyprus. The satirical but humorous poems of Mahmut İslamoğlu expand the humour culture, Semih Poroy also makes his contributions to the art of Turkish caricature. Finally, the caricature art, and the biography of Utku Karsu describing his contributions to the Turkish Cypriot humour in the field of caricature are

also included in the album.

Mayor of Girne, Nidai Güngördü, said; “Undoubtedly, books are an important and permanent medium which carry our culture to the future. We will continue our efforts to publish books with quality narrative, culture and art, presentations and seminar results in order to spread the love of books, reading habits and research culture.”

The “Olive Caricatures Album” is in Libraries in many countries of the world

Mayor Güngördü continued; "As it is known, the International 'Olive Cartoons' album books created by

the Municipality of Girne feature the winners of the cartoon competition held every year and other excellent cartoons exhibited in the competition. They also contain photographs of historical sites and other aspects of our country. Albums are sent by mail to over 200 cartoonists and important bookstores in approximately 65 countries around the world, making very important contributions to the promotion of our country abroad, both artistically and culturally. In addition, album books are sent to many institutions, organisations, libraries, schools and universities here in North Cyprus.

**Source (Turkish) :
Girne Municipality**



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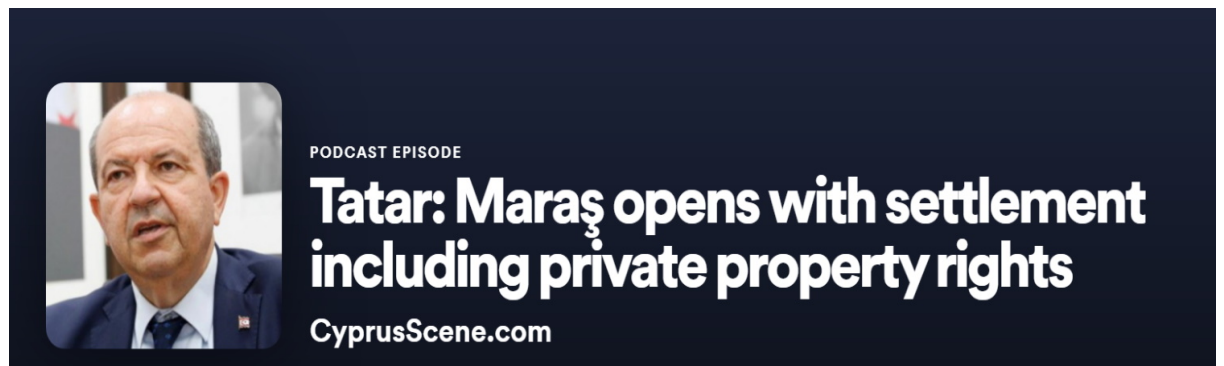
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CyprusScene - Podcasts

CyprusScene Podcast:

CyprusScene reporting the thoughts of TRNC President Ersin Tatar about the opening of Maras with settlement including private property rights.



<https://open.spotify.com/episode/0WH3owOUN832sKHjbdoeza>

CyprusScene Podcast:

CyprusScene review by Sue Tilt of Tulips of the Diving Deep for Tulips fundraising event with Cyprus Under Water Explorers.



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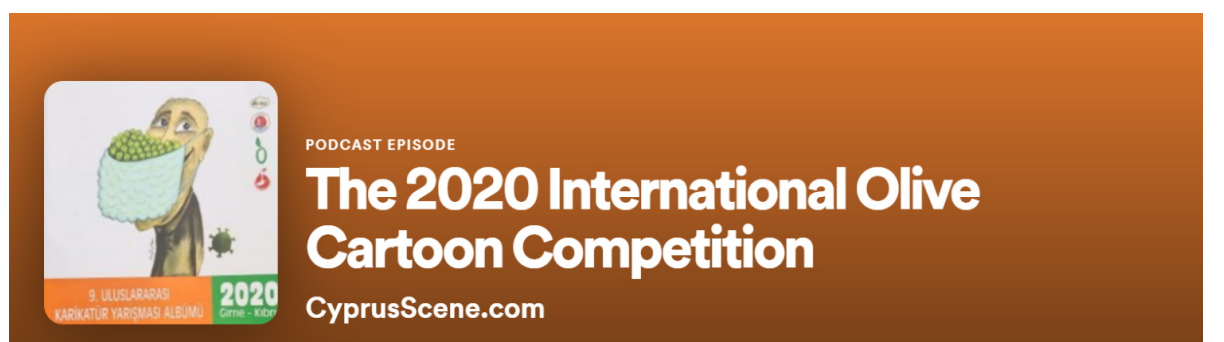
CyprusScene reporting the thoughts of TRNC Prime Minister Saner who criticises the EU for threatening Turkey with sanctions.



<https://open.spotify.com/episode/5LnSiVNvU2xlxE1PH3QuQ3>

CyprusScene Podcast:

CyprusScene reporting the results of the 2020 International Olive Cartoon Competition provided by Girne Municipality.



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UN need to grasp the reality of Cyprob and recognise the TRNC

Statement by TRNC Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding UNSC extension of UNFICYP

United Nations Security Council resolution 2587 (2021) was adopted on 29 July 2021 regarding the extension of the mandate of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) for a period of six months, until 31 January 2022.

The approval and consent of the Turkish Cypriot side has not been sought once again regarding the presence and operations of UNFICYP on the island. This is even in contradiction of the United Nation's own rules and principles.

It is necessary to remind that UNFICYP is only able to carry out its operations on our territory with the goodwill and constructive stance of our authorities. We have made a rightful demand for too long that a formal arrangement be reached between our authorities and the United Nations regarding the operations of UNFICYP in our country.

We would like to bring to the attention of the international community that unless our demand is responded to positively in a reasonable period of time, we will be compelled to reconsider our goodwill on UNFICYP's operations in our country.

In the said Resolution, the United Nations Security Council disregards the constructive proposal tabled by the Turkish Cypriot side in the informal 5+UN meeting which took place on 27-29 April 2021. Attempting to impose a settlement model which has failed for many years as it is not consistent with realities on the

ground, certainly demonstrates the fact that the UN Security Council intends to preserve the status quo on the island which favours the Greek Cypriot side. Today, there are two separate States on the Island of Cyprus governing themselves and having separate sovereignty on their respective territories.

In light of these facts, the Turkish Cypriot side is proposing the acknowledgement of sovereign equality and equal international status of the two States, prior to the start of possible formal negotiations in order to reach a cooperative relationship between the two sides. The proposal of the Turkish Cypriot side, which reflects the realities on the ground and has a chance of success, is the only way for a breakthrough.

Undoubtedly, natural resources in and around the island belong to the two Peoples. Taking into account this reality, the Turkish Cypriot side has made constructive proposals to the Greek Cypriot side regarding the hydrocarbons. Its proposal dated 13 July 2019 remains on the table. These facts are not reflected in the Resolution which constitutes another important omission. Persistent provocative actions of the Greek Cypriot side, which are far from cooperation and sharing, at the expense of the legitimate rights of the Turkish Cypriot People, are the underlying reasons of tension in the Eastern Mediterranean.

As also was the case in previous resolutions, many provocative actions of the Greek Cypriot side such as the placement of 233 concrete firing positions along the border and in the buffer zone which lead to escalation of tension on the island, are not mentioned in the Resolution. It is evident that the

United Nations Security Council tries to conceal or even encourage the policy of the Greek Cypriot administration of Southern Cyprus to escalate tension in and around the island.

There is a call on both sides for a mine-free island in the Security Council resolution. The United Nations Secretary-General openly states in his latest Report on UNFICYP that while the Turkish Cypriot authorities display a positive attitude, the Greek Cypriot authorities are reluctant on the matter. It is unacceptable that this fact is not reflected in the Resolution.

It is clear that the wording in the Resolution regarding the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha is the product of Greek-Greek Cypriot propaganda.

Accurate interpretation of the steps taken by our Government regarding the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha is crucial. Due to the rejectionist attitude of the Greek Cypriot side, the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha has

become the symbol of the status quo. The initiative of the Turkish Cypriot side which respects international law and private property rights has to be evaluated as a positive step, as it will benefit everyone. With this understanding, our Government will continue to take decisions it deems necessary regarding the fenced-off area of Maraş/Varosha which is a part of our country.

The United Nations Security Council has to separate itself from the illusion that the Greek Cypriot administration of Southern Cyprus represents the whole island.

We expect the UN Security Council to comprehend that a sustainable agreement can only be possible through a paradigm to be built upon the reality that there exists two Peoples and two States with sovereign equality on the island.

Source :
TRNC Public Information Office



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Hope 4 Pets - News Update



H4P Travel - 29th July.

Today was the turn for the Gorgeous Girls **Raisen & Poppy** to start their journey to the UK and they are on their way in style!

Their lovely homes are anticipating their arrival tomorrow.

Bon Voyage to 2 more pups from H4P.

To John & Susan Taylor and Jessica & William you have again unequivocally been awesome foster carers throughout, without you all then there would have been little hope.

Thank you to all the people who supported the pups initial veterinary care and food donations and thank you to Hasan at ALG Logistics for arranging their flights with Turkish Airlines. Last but not least to Bill I owe you another beer for being there throughout yet again!!

If you want your rescues/beloved pets to travel with the utmost care and consideration H4P Travel are always here to help.



Post by Stephanie Harrison-Croft - 31st July. H4P Travel

As you can see **Raisen** is already happily settled into her new home with the lovely Angela & Simon.

These are Angela's words...

So Simon Grayson's dream finally came true yesterday. He got his puppy. A pointer cross.

Raisen is our special little girl, we adopted her a few months ago, she is 7 months old now.

She flew over from Cyprus yesterday. Raisen is an absolute dream

Welcome to the Grayson family young lady.

Stephanie Harrison-Croft thank you for trusting us to have this little lady.

Many adventures to be made with our gang



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Anglo Turkish Association take to the High Seas

Captain Debbie and her motley crew laughed, talked, swam, ate and above all enjoyed a sunset cruise aboard the 'Blue Bird', but who thought they were auditioning for a remake of the Titanic movie? Who was the first to be thrown overboard? Who just chilled?

On a balmy Saturday evening Debbie Bird's motley crew took sail aboard the good ship 'Blue Bird' for a sunset cruise along the North Cyprus coastline. With a mixture of ATA members and non-members in her crew, as any good captain would, Debbie made sure everyone knew what they had to do: - eat, drink, swim and be merry whilst watching the sun go down over the yardarm!

Able accompanied by Philip, everyone aboard had such a

splendid time that a large number of the non-members joined the association on the evening, with quartermaster Philip happily taking their money in exchange for ATA membership cards.

Able bodied sailors Kevin Mapp, Nigel Holman and Garry Jordan between sips of ale commented "You know everyone is enjoying an ATA event when so many people are only too happy and pleased to join our association whilst at the event".

New member on the night, Heather Martin, said "I've been told how friendly and welcoming ATA events are, and having tonight experienced this first hand, I'm pleased to now be an ATA member and can't wait to attend another event".



24th JULY 2021
The ATA take to the High seas

Captain Debbie and her motley crew laughed, talked, swam, ate and above all enjoyed a sunset cruise aboard 'The Blue Bird'. But who thought they were auditioning for a remake of the Titanic movie? Who was the first to be thrown overboard? Who just chilled?

To find out visit the 2021 Events page of our website and look at the photos from this event!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit the 2021 events page of our website
www.angloturkishassociation.com



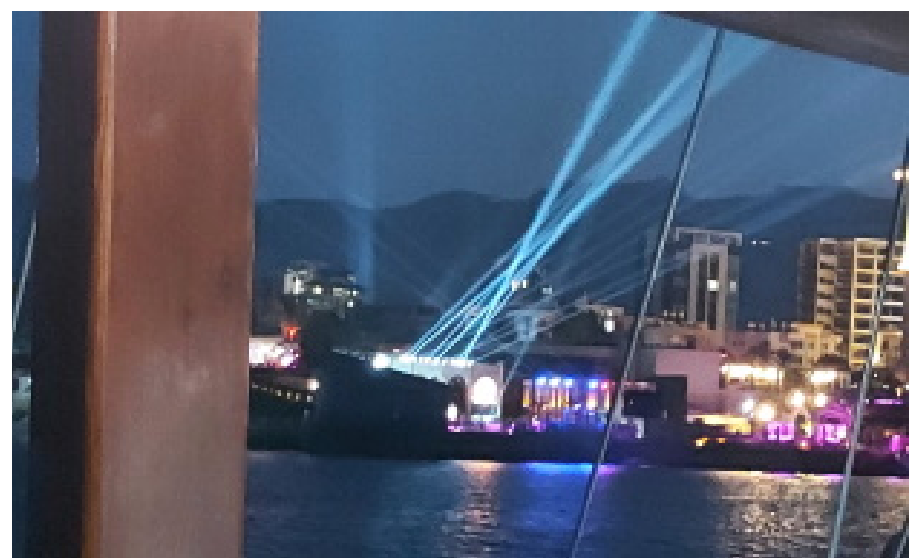
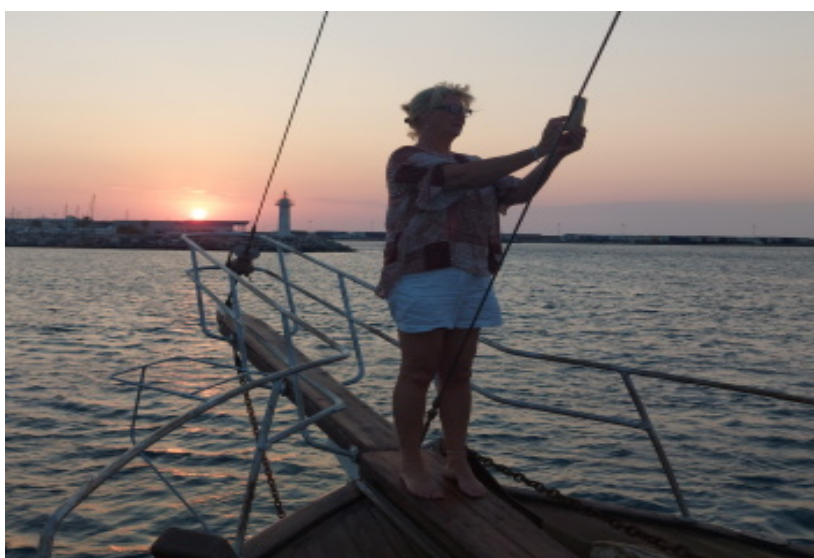
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continued**ATA take to the High Seas**

On returning to shore Captain Debbie, before allowing her crew to walk the gangplank and head towards their homes, thanked her crew for joining her on the cruise with the words "Tonight has shown to everyone aboard what the ATA is about, having fun whilst raising money for good causes!". The applause to her for organising such an enjoyable event could be heard long into the early hours.

For information on this ATA event including those photos able to be printed, visit the 2021 Events Page of the ATA website:

<https://angloturkishassociation.com/>



30th July to 5th August 2021

Diving Deep for Tulips with Cyprus Under Water Explorers

Readers mail....

From Sue Tilt - Tulips...

Cyprus Under Water Explorers have come up with a unique fundraising event a 24 hour Dive-A-Thon in aid of Tulips!

This is starting at 10am on 5th August and finishing at 10am on the 6th August 2021 at the Manolya Hotel, Lapta.

Please come along during the day and show support for what these divers are doing for Tulips plus if you would like to join us during the evening from 6pm to 11.30pm we will be having live music with Ed Sezener, food, raffle and fun!

The evening event is ticket only so please book quickly to avoid disappointment. Due to hotel Covid restrictions we can only have 40 guests in the evening, the details are below on the poster and get your places booked.

Ever fancied a go at diving? Ed will be offering 'Try Dives' for adults and children, so why not give it a whirl? The money taken for these will be donated Tulips.

For those of you that are unable to attend please consider donating via the justgiving page set up for this event.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/24hourdive-a-thon>



A Blue Hair Day at Tawny's Bar in aid of Tulips

Readers mail....

From Diane Loftus....

Hi Chris,

I hope you are both keeping well and could you please publish the following news in CyprusScene.

Thank you - Diane.

"Friday 30th July at 8pm, is Charity Bingo Special in Aid of TULIPS, who support those with Cancer.

We all have some friends or family who have been touched and have needed support throughout our lives. Here in the TRNC, TULIPS, are there to support people through this difficult time and is a Charity Organisation.

Please come down and enjoy the evening and show your support for Tulips/Help Those With Cancer Association.

For Charity, David O'Grady owner of Tawny's Bar, in Bachel, had his hair dyed on Wednesday 28th July for which, 630TL was raised from Tawny's customers (a BIG Thank you to you all).

Next Friday, 30th July you could be lucky enough to shave David's hair off. Maybe, his eyebrows, trimmed too! the funds raised will be donated to Tulips Charity. (David has dyed his hair Smurf Blue).

Debs Sarjeant has asked if we can please wear something Blue in support of the event on Friday for Bingo...



NEW!! to Friday Bingo is the Lucky Dip. There will be prizes in the lucky dip from 1,000TL, 500TL, 150TL, 100TL, 50TL, 25TL, Free drinks or Juicy Lucy the Lemon.

Make sure you book your table, due to COVID Restrictions on the restaurants and bars. COME on down and show your support!

Tawny's look forward to seeing you all."

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Pioneering Turkish Women of Cyprus

By Margaret Sheard

We were invited to attend an event in the garden of Bellapais Abbey on Tuesday 27th July for the launch of a book by Bellapais Inner Wheel Club "Pioneering Turkish Women of Cyprus".

It was a very warm evening and we were pleased to see so many people attending this event who welcomed the Founding President of Bellapais Inner Wheel Club, First Lady Sibel Tatar, who was accompanied by her husband, President Ersin Tatar.

We were treated to a film show on a large screen which covered many of the 78 women who appear in the book together with their biographies and this was followed with presentations of the book to those women still surviving or others accepting the book in their place. We were pleased to see Raziye Kocaismail of Tulips (Help Those with Cancer Association) at the event and found she is also one of the pioneering women appearing in this very informative book and she was proud to be presented with a copy on stage and made a short speech.

I haven't had a chance to read all through the biographies yet but having been given a copy of the book, in English, I was able to look up some of the women as they appeared on the screen and establish who they were and what

they achieved, which was very helpful.

It was quite a long evening but a very interesting one and I know I will enjoy continuing to read this book to familiarise myself with these pioneering women.



A Fantastic Northern Soul Night at Diiva Restaurant, Esentepe

Readers Mail....

From Susie L Ford....

We had a fantastic night on Monday 26th July at Diiva Restaurant in Esentepe when DJ Martin held his Northern Soul Night Event with some great tunes played and lots of dancing.

Thank you all for joining us and thank you to Ali Raza and his team at Diiva Restaurant for looking after us so well.

Do come join us next month for a 1960s night.

SUSIE xxxx



30th July to 5th August 2021

Girne Municipality Police Teams working with Electric Bicycles

Traffic teams and city security teams affiliated to the Girne Municipality Police Department continue to use electric bicycles, which are known for their environment features, in Girne in order to faster respond to incidents.

The police (Zabita) officers, who work with electric bicycles that facilitate mobility and allow more comfortable intervention in events in closed-to-traffic areas, continue their duties at full speed in Girne. The importance of using these rechargeable bicycles, which work entirely with environmentally friendly technology, in order to be able to intervene more quickly in the events that occur in the traffic-free areas in the city center or in the areas used by pedestrians more frequently was mentioned.

Nidai Güngördü, Mayor of Girne,

made a statement on the subject; "In these days when we see the a lot about the effects of global warming, we need to act with the awareness of protecting our environment. As Girne Municipality, we are aware that we need to give more importance to the environmentalist approach. In this context, besides our motorised teams in Girne traffic, our electric cyclist teams also work." Pointing out that

electric bicycles are more comfortable in terms of use and environment-friendly in terms of working with sustainable energy, Güngördü stated that we should continue this practice, of which we are a pioneer in the municipalities of Northern Cyprus.

Source (Turkish) : Girne Municipality



North Cyprus Beach Volleyball Tournament is coming

Readers mail....

From Fikret Sendil

Guiding Lion and Specialty Club Coordinator...

Hello,

The three undistricted Lions clubs serving in Northern Cyprus with their independent and individual

capacities are coming together for a Lions Youth Activity.

The Lions Youth service activity, which will come to life with the cooperation and contributions of the Mehmetçik Municipality, Mağusa Mesarya Lions and Nicosia New Generation Lions Clubs, will celebrate its fourth

anniversary on 14-15 August 2021 in Bafra Beach, Mehmetçik.

Bafra Beach Volleyball Tournament is one of the signature activities of 100. Yıl Mehmetçik Karpaz Lions along with Help Us Buy Clothes For Kids, a fundraising activity which has been organised since 2016.

The Beach Volleyball Tournament aims to reunite young people who have been away from school life, social, cultural and sports activities due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

According to the joint statement by the clubs, the Beach Volleyball Tournament is only open to amateur players in which the registration deadline is Thursday,

August 12. Registration for the Bafra Beach Volleyball Tournament will be completely free of charge. A holiday package will be given to the top-ranked players in the most beautiful hotels in the northern part of Cyprus.

Those who would participate in the Lions Youth Activity are required to provide a negative result of PCR or the Rapid Antigen test taken prior to 72 hours of the tournament date.

Mehmetçik Municipality will inspect the Beach Volleyball Tournament in accordance with the pandemic conditions taken by the Communicable Diseases High Committee.



Football is coming home to Esentepe

By Richard Beale....

At last football is back in Esentepe after nearly a year without a match LIVE soccer returns to Esentepe Erdal Barut Stadium this Saturday evening (31st July).

It's only a friendly match, but who cares it's FOOTBALL and it's LIVE in ESENTEPE.

İncirli will provide the opposition in Esentepe's first friendly match of the season, more matches will following in preparation for the new season which begins in mid September.

İncirli were promoted from the BTM League last summer and will now compete in League 1 the same as Esentepe.

Since Esentepe's last competitive match last July the Club has lost many of its experienced players either through retirement, injuries, transfers or National Service call-up, it will be a much changed and very young team that will take to the field against İncirli.

So throw off those COVID BLUES and have a look at your village team and get behind them.

ADMISSION FREE - Saturday July 31 - kick off 6-00pm at Esentepe Erdal Barut Stadium.

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At last Football is coming back!

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Wed 11th Aug
Start from 8.15pm

Rafters Restaurant & Bar Ozankoy 0533 846 3030



30th July to 5th August 2021

Emergency Telephone Numbers

mobile numbers are prefixed 0533 or 0542 or 0548
landline numbers are prefixed 0392

POLICE

Emergencies **155**
General 228 3411
Girne 815 2125
Lefkosa 228 3311
Gazi Mağusa 366 5310
Güzelyurt 714 2140
Lapta 821 8512

FIRE

Emergencies **199**
Forest Fire **177**
Girne 815 2111
Lefkosa 227 1259
Gazi Mağusa 366 5389
Güzelyurt 714 2200

AMBULANCE

Emergencies **112**

HOSPITAL

Girne 8152266/815 2254
Lefkoşa 228 5441;
Gazi Mağusa 3662876/3665328
Güzelyurt 714 2125

ELECTRICITY

Electrical faults **188**
Lefkoşa 225 3436
Girne 815 2223
Gazi Mağusa 366 5514
Güzelyurt 714 2122

WATER

Water problems:
Lefkoşa 228 3315
Girne 815 2118
Gazi Mağusa 366 4483
Güzelyurt 714 3516

8-day Weather Forecast

1st August to 8th August 2021

Sun 1st



41°
25°

Mon 2nd



36°
25°

Tue 3rd



36°
26°

Wed 4th



36°
24°

Thu 5th



36°
24°

Fri 6th



35°
24°

Sat 7th



34°
23°

Sun 8th



34°
24°

Forthcoming Events

You have to be in it to win it...

SUSIES FORTUNES

AND THE SURVEY SAID
XXX

Winning Team takes all, maximum 4 to a Team, 5tl per person entry fee.....

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BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER
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0533 885 2908 ESENTEPE

Mon 16th Aug
From 8.00pm

COVID RULES APPLY
please book with ALI: 0533 885 2908 or see SUSIE

DANCE-A-THON

DJ MARTIN

60'S DISCO

MONDAY 23RD AUGUST

FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL

FULL menu AVAILABLE

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