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GREECE, TURKEY and CYPRUS

Treaty of Alliance (with Additional Protocols). Signed at Nicosia, on 16 August 1960

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[TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION]

No. 5712. TREATY OF ALLIANCE[1] BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF GREECE, THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY AND THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS. SIGNED AT NICOSIA, ON 16 AUGUST 1960

The Kingdom of Greece, the Republic of Turkey and the Republic of Cyprus,

I. In their common desire to uphold peace and to preserve the security of each of them,

II. Considering that their efforts for the preservation of peace and security are in conformity with the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter,

Have agreed as follows :

Article I

The High Contracting Parties undertake to co-operate for their common defence and to consult together on the problems raised by that defence.

Article II

The High Contracting Parties undertake to resist any attack or aggression, direct or indirect, directed against the independence or the territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus.

Article III

For the purpose of this alliance, and in order to achieve the object mentioned above, a Tripartite Headquarters shall be established on the territory of the Republic of Cyprus.

Article IV

Greece and Turkey shall participate in the Tripartite Headquarters so established with the military contingents laid down in Additional Protocol No. I[2] annexed to the present Treaty.

The said contingents shall provide for the training of the army of the Republic of Cyprus.

[1] Came into force on 16 August 1960 by signature, in accordance with article VI.
[2] See p. 291 of this volume.

Article V

The Command of the Tripartite Headquarters shall be assumed in rotation, for a period of one year each, by a Greek, Turkish and Cypriot General Officer, who shall be appointed respectively by the Governments of Greece and Turkey and by the President and the Vice-President of the Republic of Cyprus.

Article VI

The present Treaty shall enter into force on the date of signature.

The High Contracting Parties shall conclude additional agreements if the application of the present Treaty renders them necessary.

The High Contracting Parties shall proceed as soon as possible with the registration of the present Treaty with the Secretariat of the United Nations, in conformity with Article 102 of the United Nations Charter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Treaty.

DONE at Nicosia on 16 August 1960 in three copies in the French language, of which one shall be deposited with each of the High Contracting Parties.

For the Kingdom of Greece :
(*Signed*) G. CHRISTOPOULOS

For the Republic of Turkey :
(*Signed*) V. TÜREL

For the Republic of Cyprus :
(*Signed*) MAKARIOS, Archbishop of Cyprus
F. KÜÇÜK

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL No. I

I. The Greek and Turkish contingents which are to participate in the Tripartite Headquarters shall comprise respectively 950 Greek officers, non-commissioned officers and men, and 650 Turkish officers, non-commissioned officers and men.

II. The President and Vice-President of the Republic of Cyprus, acting in agreement, may request the Greek and Turkish Governments to increase or reduce the Greek and Turkish contingents.

III. It is agreed that the sites of the cantonments for the Greek and Turkish contingents participating in the Tripartite Headquarters, their juridical status, facilities and exemptions in respect of customs and taxes, as well as other immunities and privileges and any other military and technical questions concerning the organization and operation of the Headquarters mentioned above shall be determined by a Special Convention which shall come into force not later than the Treaty of Alliance.[1]

[1] See p. 289 of this volume.

(Transitional paragraph)

IV. It is likewise agreed that the Tripartite Headquarters shall be set up not later than three months after the completion of the tasks of the Mixed Commission for the Cyprus Constitution and shall consist, in the initial period, of a limited number of officers charged with the training of the armed forces of the Republic of Cyprus. The Greek and Turkish contingents mentioned above will arrive in Cyprus on the date of signature of the Treaty of Alliance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Protocol.

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ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL No. II

Article I

A Committee shall be set up consisting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus, Greece and Turkey. It shall constitute the supreme political body of the Tripartite Alliance and may take cognizance of any question concerning the Alliance which the Governments of the three Allied countries shall agree to submit to it.

Article II

The Committee of Ministers shall meet in ordinary session once a year. In a matter of urgency the Committee of Ministers can be convened in special session by its Chairman at the request of one of the members of the Alliance.

Decisions of the Committee of Ministers shall be unanimous.

Article III

The Committee of Ministers shall be presided over in rotation, and for a period of one year, by each of the three Foreign Ministers. It will hold its ordinary sessions, unless it is decided otherwise, in the capital of the Chairman's country. The Chairman shall, during the year in which he holds office, preside over sessions of the Committee of Ministers, both ordinary and special.

The Committee may set up subsidiary bodies whenever it shall judge it to be necessary for the fulfilment of its task.

Article IV

The Tripartite Headquarters established by the Treaty of Alliance shall be responsible to the Committee of Ministers in the performance of its functions. It shall submit to it, during the Committee's ordinary session, an annual report comprising a detailed account of the Headquarter's activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Protocol.

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