



Association of Rizokarpasso in Britain

Help Rizokarpasso REGISTERED CHARITY No. 273005



House of Lords Commissioner For Standards
House of Lords
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Dear Sir

We were shocked, upset and very concerned at the establishment, once again, of the All Party Parliamentary Group for the “turkish republic of northern Cyprus”. As you know, the “trnc” is an illegal entity not recognised by any country other than Turkey, the country that invaded the Republic of Cyprus in 1974, still occupies one third of the Republic of Cyprus and has transported hundreds of thousands of illegal settlers from Turkey to colonize the occupied area and change its demography.

UN Security Council Resolution 550 in 1984: “ Reiterates the call upon all States not to recognise the purported state of the "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus" set up by secessionist acts and calls upon them not to facilitate or in any way assist the aforesaid secessionist entity; Calls upon all States to respect the sovereignty, independence, territorial integrity, unity and non-alignment of the Republic of Cyprus.” In fact the British Government in 1983 condemned the UDI by the Turkish regime and asked other countries not to recognise the pseudo state.

Therefore, it is totally unacceptable for an official All Party Parliamentary Group to be set up for this illegal regime; it is an insult to the British Parliament, considered the “Mother of Parliaments”; it is an insult to all the British Citizens with ethnic roots in Cyprus, (first, second, third and subsequent generations), thousands of whom are the owners of property in occupied Cyprus and have been denied access to, benefit from, and enjoyment of, their property and who, as voters, expect their Government to represent them. It is also an insult to The Republic of Cyprus, a member of the UN, of the EU, of the British Commonwealth of Nations. The illegal regime in the occupied north of Cyprus is unrecognised by any nation other than Turkey, its creator and supporter.

The Parliament website shows the Members of the House of Lords involved, some of whom have received expenses paid trips to occupied northern Cyprus and/or Turkey. It is unacceptable and we are appalled that British Members of the House of Lords, some of whom might have vested interests, should be giving such status to an illegal, unrecognised regime, contrary to current and previous British Government policy. This Group surely is acting against UN Resolutions and should be disbanded.

We look forward to your response on this extremely serious matter.

Yours sincerely

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