

**July 27, 1974**  
**Telegram from Archbishop Makarios to Todor  
Zhivkov**

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**Summary:**

Writing from New York, Makarios seeks Bulgarian support after the Turkish invasion of Cyprus on 20 July 1974.

**Original Language:**

Bulgarian

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pc his excellency pres todor zhivkov  
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your excellency

it is with deep anxiety that i am communicating with you to  
 inform you that turkey has committed an act of aggression and  
 invaded cyprus putting in grave danger the independence of my  
 country. i am appealing to you for any

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 assistance possible for  
 safeguarding the independence, sovereignty and territorial  
 integrity of the republic of cyprus  
 archbishop makarios, president of the republic of cyprus