

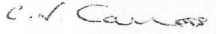
Istanbul, 17 April 2016

Dear Mr. Anastasiades,

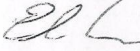
Dear Mr. Akıncı,

We attach the statement issued by the Greek Turkish Forum during our recent meeting in Istanbul. We appreciate this is a particularly sensitive moment in the ongoing negotiations and trust you will succeed in ensuring the continuation of a positive momentum, leading to a mutually acceptable settlement.

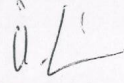
Yours sincerely,



Costa Carras



Erol Kaymak



Üstün Ergüder



Charis Psaltis

Greek Turkish Forum Statement

The Greek Turkish Forum (GTF) met in Istanbul on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 April 2017 and was honoured to receive the *Cem Papandreou Peace Award*. The GTF noted with satisfaction the progress achieved in the Cyprus negotiations so far.

- a) We urge both sides to refrain from any unilateral move that would contravene the convergences achieved in the negotiations.
- b) We further urge both sides to refrain from statements that render more difficult compromises necessary for a mutually acceptable settlement.
- c) We welcome ongoing international efforts aimed at the financing of a settlement and urge the two leaders to come up with creative initiatives that would facilitate the successful conclusion of such efforts.

Forum Members Present at the Meeting: Mensur Akgün, Mustafa Aydın, Daryal Batıbay, Costa Carras, Elias Ciis, Üstün Ergüder, İonnis N. Grigoriades, Evanthis Hatzivassiliou, Temel İskit, Erol Kaymak, Niyazi Kızılyürek, Paulina Lampsas, Manthos Mavromatis, Erdil Nami, Soli Özel, Vassilis Papaioannou, Charis Psaltis, Christos Rozakis, Murat Sungar, Oya Talat, Dimitrios Triantaphyllou, Volkan Vural, Rana Zincir Celal.