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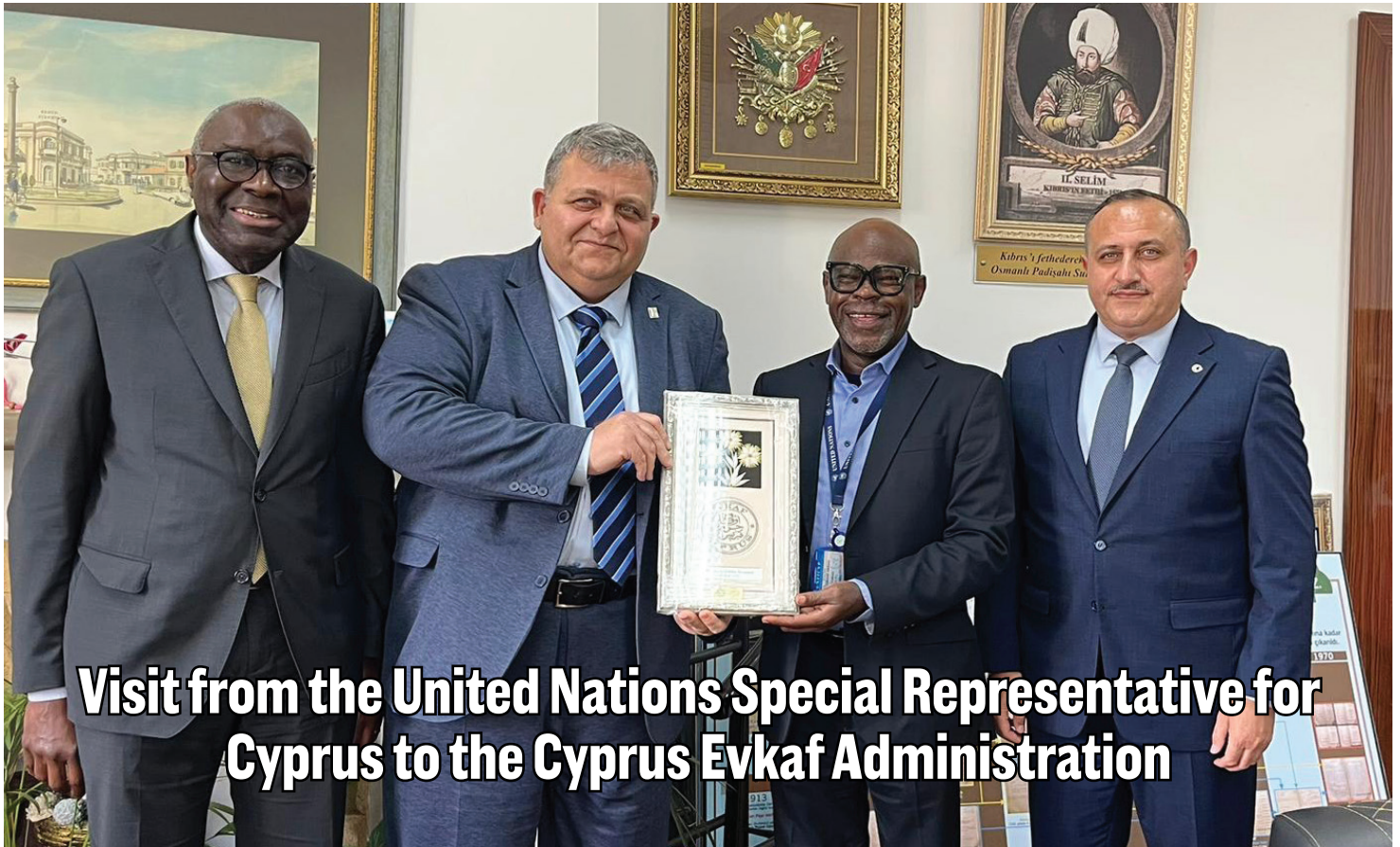
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Visit from the United Nations Special Representative for Cyprus to the Cyprus Evkaf Administration

The United Nations (UN) Special Representative for Cyprus, Mr. Diagne, and his Deputy, Mr. Adeyoka, visited the Director General of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, and the Head of Religious Affairs, Mr. Hakan Moral, at the Evkaf Administration Headquarters building.

The agenda of the visit focused on the preservation of Cyprus' multicultural and multi-faith structure, the preservation of cultural and religious heritage, and its transmission to future generations. In this context, the opening of the Binatlı Mosque in Southern Cyprus for worship and visits to the Hala Sultan Tekke in Larnaca were also discussed.

Cultural Heritage and Emphasis on Hala Sultan

During the meeting, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer stated that Turkish Cypriots are generally able to visit the Hala Sultan Tekke during holiday periods and that increasing the number of visits would be beneficial. Recalling that there are over 100 ceremonies held throughout the year from Southern Cyprus to the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, he drew attention to the importance of extending similar practices for Turkish Cypriots within the framework of equal application.

Assessments Regarding the Meeting

UN Special Representative for Cyprus, Kassim

Diagne, expressed that the activities of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration are not limited to protecting cultural and historical structures; they also strengthen mutual understanding between communities. Diagne stated that the institution's work contributes to the preservation of cultural heritage and the development of inter-community understanding.

Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, Director General of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, noted that foundation culture is a common value belonging not only to the Muslim community but to all humanity. Hakan Moral, Head of Religious Affairs, stated that the preservation of religious structures and the free and continuous access of communities to these structures contributes to strengthening social trust.

The significance of the visit and its contribution to the future

This visit laid important groundwork for the preservation of cultural heritage and the strengthening of understanding between communities. The gathering of different parties stood out as a valuable opportunity for future cooperation and constructive steps. At the end of the meeting, Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer presented Mr. Kasim Diagne and his team with an important work compiled from the Şer'iye Registers published by

the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, which sheds light on the Ottoman period, thus drawing attention to the importance of cultural heritage.



Beha Hüseyin Köprülü Mosque Opens for Worship



The Beha Hüseyin Köprülü Mosque, built with the contributions of philanthropist Beha Hüseyin Köprülü in collaboration with the Cyprus Evkaf Administration and the Gönyeli-Alayköy Municipality, was opened for worship with a ceremony.

The opening ceremony was attended by philanthropist Beha Hüseyin Köprülü and his family, as well as Prime Minister Ünal Üstel, 5. President Ersin Tatar, Ambassador of the Republic of Turkey to Nicosia Ali Murat Başçeri, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Tourism, Culture, Youth and Environment Fikri Ataoğlu, several ministers, members of parliament, Director General of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration Mustafa Tümer, Mayor of Gönyeli-Alayköy Hüseyin Amcaoğlu, representatives of institutions and organisations, and a large number of citizens.

The ceremony commenced with a moment of silence and the recitation of the Turkish National Anthem, followed by a recitation from the Holy Quran by Muharrem Bozkurt, Imam of Demirhan Mosque.

In his address, Prime Minister Ünal Üstel emphasised that important works continue to be contributed to the country through the cooperation of the government, local authorities and philanthropists, stating that the Turkish Cypriot people continue their struggle for existence without

compromising their identity, beliefs and values, despite all the difficulties and embargoes. Üstel wished the Beha Hüseyin Köprülü Mosque well for the country and the Islamic world.

In his speech, Mustafa Tümer, Director General of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, stated that the opening of the mosque witnessed another living link in a deep-rooted waqf civilisation and tradition of charity. Tümer expressed his hope that the Beha Hüseyin Köprülü Mosque would be a centre of peace, prosperity and solidarity for Alayköy, and expressed his gratitude to those who contributed to the realisation of the project.

Hüseyin Amcaoğlu, Mayor of Gönyeli-Alayköy Municipality, stated in his speech that the city continues to grow not only through physical investments but also through spiritual values and a spirit of unity, adding that the mosque in question builds a strong bridge between the past and the future.

Philanthropist Beha Hüseyin Köprülü, in his speech, emphasized that the mosque's foundations are rooted in a historical heritage dating back to the Ottoman period and expressed his hope that the project would be beneficial to the TRNC and the entire Islamic world.





Fair Play Protocol Signed

The Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus National Olympic Committee and the Cyprus Evkaf Administration signed a Fair Play Award Protocol with the aim of promoting the concept of fair play, one of the universal values of sports, among the general public and strengthening the culture of ethical sports.

Within the scope of the signed protocol, the aim is to encourage athletes, sports administrators and young people to act in accordance with the principles of sportsmanship, honesty, respect and solidarity, to highlight exemplary behaviour that reflects the spirit of sportsmanship, and to pass on these values to future generations.

The parties to the agreement aim to support the

spirit of sportsmanship at an institutional level and to establish an award mechanism that will ensure the sustainability of this approach. Orçun Kamalı, President of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus National Olympic Committee, made the following statement regarding the protocol:

"The cooperation protocol we signed today is an important milestone in strengthening the spirit of sportsmanship (Fair Play) that forms the essence of sport. The sustainable continuation of the Fair Play awards, with the support of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, will make a significant contribution to the spread of values that will serve as an example to younger generations. Our goal is not only sporting success; it is to build a sports culture together that

centres on honesty, respect and social solidarity. I hope this meaningful cooperation will be beneficial to our country and our youth."

Prof. Dr. Mustafa Tümer, General Manager of the Cyprus Evkaf Administration, emphasised in his speech at the signing ceremony that the Cyprus Foundation Administration always supports all institutions and organisations that benefit society and that this support will continue to grow. Stating that the institution acts with a strong sense of social responsibility, Tümer expressed that they attach great importance to the development of sport.



Ramadan Spirit Continues

We continue to gather around our table of abundance during Ramadan. While experiencing the peace of unity and sharing at the same table, our hearts are once again united, and our prayers are once again intertwined. Throughout Ramadan, we continue to come together with our people at iftar tables set up in different regions. We wish you many more blessed iftars together.



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