

Statement by Turkey
On Agenda Item 152: UNFICYP
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My delegation expresses its thanks to the UN Secretariat and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) for submitting their respective reports for individual peacekeeping missions.

We also take this opportunity to pay tribute to the uniformed and civilian women and men and other personnel for their work and dedication in maintaining peace and security in different parts of the world, especially during these challenging times due to Coronavirus pandemic. We honor those who have given their lives in the cause of peace, as well as those who continue to risk their lives. We commend peacekeepers assisting local communities in their effort to fight the COVID-19 outbreak.

We express appreciation for the collective and constructive effort of the Fifth Committee members, as well as the invaluable support of the Fifth Committee Secretariat, the ACABQ, and UN Secretariat for ensuring business continuity under current circumstances.

Turkey is fully committed to successful UN Peacekeeping in support of international peace and security. Turkey will work collabora

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Agreement (SOFA) or agreeing on another mutually acceptable legal arrangement in order to establish the legal ground for UNFICYP's operations in the north, UNFICYP has refrained from signing such a document as of yet. Moreover, it even avoids holding consultations about its operations within the TRNC territory, including those in Mara /Varosha.

In a similar vein, we expect UNFICYP to contact Turkish Cypriot authorities in order to coordinate in particular its plan to install additional CCTV systems in and around areas that fall under the TRNC jurisdiction and any other work that concerns the Turkish Cypriot side.

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