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## MONDAY, 21st January, 1974

5.30 p.m.: Arrival at Nicosia International Airport.

Present to receive Her Royal Highness:

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. John Cl. Christophides. Mrs. Christophides.

The British High Commissioner, Mr. St. Olver. Mrs. St. Olver.

The Acting Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. Hamlin.

The Under-Secretary to the President, Mr. P. Stavrou.

The Mayor of Nicosia, Mr. L. Demetriades.

The Chief of Protocol, Ambassador G. Pelaghias. Mrs. Pelaghias.

Mr. Nidai.

## MONDAY, 21st January, 1974—contd.

The Defence Adviser to the British High Commissioner, Col. G. Stocker.

The Director of Civil Aviation, Mr. L. Xenopoulos.

The Director of Antiquities, Dr. V. Karageorgis.

The Chief of Police, Mr. S. Antoniou.

The Director of the Airport, Mr. A. Papaioannou.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, will greet the officials and will proceed to Her car and drive to the Presidential Palace. There H. R. H. will be received by His Beatitude the President of the Republic Archbishop Makarios.

7.20 p.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Presidential Palace.

7.30 p.m.: Arrival at Ledra Palace Hotel.

Attends a Reception given in Her honour by the United

Kingdom Citizens Association (Black tie).

8.20 p.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Reception.

8.30 p.m.: H. R. H. attends a dinner in Her honour given by the

British High Commissioner (Black tie).

10.00 p.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Ledra Palace Hotel.

10.10 p.m.: Arrival at the Presidential Palace.

## TUESDAY, 22nd January, 1974

10.20 a.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Presidential Palace.

10.30 a.m.: Visits.

12.30 p.m.: Arrival at Bellapais Abbey via Pentadaktylos.

12.50 p.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Abbey.

1.00 p.m.: Arrival at Catsellis Dome Hotel,

1.15 p.m.: Lunch given by the British High Commissioner in

honour of H. R. H.

2.30 p.m.: Departure from Catsellis Dome Hotel.

2.40 p.m.: Arrival at Kyrenia Castle.

3.15 p.m.: Departure for Nicosia via Myrtou.

4.15 p.m.: Visit.

4.45 p.m.: Arrival at the Presidential Palace.

8.00 p.m.: Dinner given by His Beatitude the President of the

Republic Archbishop Makarios in honour of Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon.

(Black tie).

9.30 p.m.: Reception given by His Beatitude the President of the

Republic Archbishop Makarios in honour of Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon.

(Black tie).

10.00 p.m.: Presentation of the Diplomatic Corps to H. R. H.

First Alternative Programme in the event of bad weather for 22nd January, 1974.

# TUESDAY, 22nd January, 1974—contd.

The programme remains the same until 11.30 a.m.

11.40 a.m.: Arrival at Cyprus Museum.

12.20 p.m.: Leave for Kyrenia.

1.00 p.m.: Arrival at Catsellis Dome Hotel.

The rest of the programme for the day remains the same.

Second Alternative Programme in the event of bad weather on 22nd January, 1974.

Programme will be the same until 11.30 a.m.

11.40 a.m.: Arrival at Cyprus Museum.

12.20 p.m.: Leaves Cyprus Museum for the Presidential Palace.

1.05 p.m.: H. R. H. leaves the Presidential Palace for the British

High Commissioner's Residence.

1.15 p.m.: H. R. H. attends lunch given in Her honour by the British High Commissioner.

2.30 p.m.: Departure from the Residence to the Presidential Palace.

The rest of the Programme remains the same.

# WEDNESDAY, 23rd January, 1974

10.00 a.m.: Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon takes leave of His Beatitude the President of the Republic Archbishop Makarios.

10.15 a.m.: Departure for Salamis.

11.00 a.m.: Arrival at Salamis.

Visit of Antiquities.

11.30 a.m.: H. R. H. leaves Salamis.

11.40 a.m.: Arrival at Old City of Famagusta entering by North Gate.

Visit to Othello's Tower.

12.05 p.m.: Leaves Old City of Famagusta by the Land Gate.
Drives to B. M. H. Dhekelia.

12.30 p.m.: Arrival at B. M. H.

Officials take leave of H. R. H. at Othello's Tower.

Alternative programme in case of bad weather on Wednesday, 23rd January, 1974.

10.15 a.m.: Leaves Presidential Palace for the Archbishopric.

10.25 a.m.: Arrival at the Archbishopric.

Visit Folk Art Museum, St. John's Cathedral and Old Archbishopric.

11.15 a.m.: Departure for B. M. H. Dhekelia.

12.30 p.m.: Arrival at B. M. H. Dhekelia.

Officials take leave of H. R. H. at the Archbishopric.

- Selimiye Mosque: Latin Cathedral of St. Sophia. Gothic Style. Its construction started in the 13th century, probably with the help of architects who accompanied King Louis IX of France. Consecrated in 1326. Turned into a mosque in 1571.
- Bellapais Abbey: Founded in 1206 by Latin Archbishop Thierry of the Order of the Augustinians. The oldest part of the Abbey is the church, built in the 13th century. The cloister and the refectorium were built in the 14th century. The western part of the Abbey which included the quarters of the Abbot and the royal quarters has been destroyed.
- Kyrenia Castle: Erected by the Byzantines in the 11th century. From this original building only the N.W. tower, parts of the curtain walls and the chapel survive. The Castle was enlarged under the Lusignans. The S.E. tower and the two W. towers as well as the curtain wall between them are Venetian additions.
- The Cyprus Museum: The main archaeological Museum of Cyprus, where a rich collection of antiquities is kept, ranging chronologically from the Neolithic period (beginning of the 6th millennium) down to the end of the Greco-Roman period.
- Salamis: The ancient capital of Cyprus almost throughout the first millennium B.C. Founded by Achaean Greeks in the 11th century B.C. The first excavations were carried by an Expedition from the British Museum (1890). The Department of Antiquities of Cyprus started excavations in 1952 and has unearthed the Roman Theatre, the Gymnasium and the Stadium. A French Expedition excavates since 1964 and has uncovered, among others, an Early Christian Basilica.
- Famagusta Old City: Flourished as from the 13th century. After the fall of Accra it became the main commercial centre of the

Eastern Mediterranean. Within its well preserved walls there are numerous masterpieces of Gothic architecture including the Cathedral of St. Nicolas (14th century), the Lusignan Palace with its Venetian façade, and the Citadel, known as Othello's Tower.

— The Archbishopric: The old archbishopric was built in the 18th century on the ruins of the old monastery of the Benedictines which had been abandoned already in the 15th century. The nearby Cathedral of St. John was built in the 17th century and was decorated with frescoes in the 18th century.

#### ANNEX II

# TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Presidential Palace	Nicosia	(021) 63177 or 403102
The Chief of Protocol	Nicosia	(021) 65857—76797
The Director of President's Office	Nicosia	(021) 74881
A. D. C. to the President, Captain N. Thrassyvoulou	Nicosia	(021) 63177 or 403102
British High Commission	Nicosia	(021) 73131
Residence of High Commissioner	Nicosia	(021) 73702
The Chief of Police	Nicosia	(021) 64010
Dr. V. Kalbian MD., F.R.C.P	Nicosia	(021) 72666
B.H.C. Information Officer (Mr. G. Stephens)	Nicosia	(021) 43603
Mr. M. G. Macdonald	Nicosia	(021) 73924
Ledra Palace Hotel	Nicosia	(021) 73391—63101
Catsellis Dome Hotel, Kyrenia	Kyrenia	(081) 52361

### ANNEX III

## **MOTORCADE**

From the Airport to the Presidential Palace

Police Pilot Car 2 Motor Cyclists

### Official Car

Her Royal Highness The Foreign Minister The High Commissioner

Inspector John McIntyre

2 Motor Cyclists Security Car

## Car No. 1

Mrs. Christophides Mrs. Olver Mrs. Whitehead

Group Captain Michael D' Arcy

### Car No. 2

Lord Napier and Ettrick Mrs. Pelaghias Mr. P. Stavrou

Mr. G. Pelaghias

#### Car No. 3

Mrs. Greenfield Mr. Moulard Mr. Macdonald

### Car No. 4

Extra Empty Car Police Escort Car