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Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday, whether at home or abroad. We here at ORMC (UK), are gearing up to continue our efforts for a solution to our just cause. Your help is invaluable.

IDENTIFICATIONS: The following were announced. Marikkou Yiakoumi from Peristeronopygi, Constantis Kokkinovoukkos from Kontea, Kyriakou Frangou from Ammohostos, Christos Lipertos from Voni, Yiannakis Liasi from Yialousa, Georghios Kantonis from Ayios Sergios, Philippos Pantazis from Ammohostos, Savvas Theodorou from Arediou, Andreas Petrou from Mitsero, Panayiotis Daniel from Anogyra, Andreas Larkou from Lysi, Klitos Zeniou from Peristerona Ammohostou, Marios Christodoulou from Lefkosia, Sotiris Ioanni from Ayios Dometios, Kyriacos Menicou from N. Chorio Kythreas, Savvas Kyriacou from Akaki, Panayis Paskas, Georgios Patera, David Photi, Antonis Hadjiantoni, Michael Tampi, Antonios Tampi, Georgios Hadjittofi, Ttofis Hadjittofi, Michael Hadjidaniel, Demetris Kostrikki all from Assia, Andreas Plarkos from Livadhia, Andreas Antoniadis from Tremedousia.

NEW LAB FOR DNA TESTING: It has been announced that as from July 1st samples for DNA testing and identification have been sent to a laboratory in Philadelphia USA, instead of Bosnia. The reason is because the USA laboratory costs less than the Bosnian one. This was decided after tendering.

PICKETING OUTSIDE THE HoC: On Tuesday 8th July we were outside the HoC with our banner and photos picketing. MPs came out to meet with us and talk to the relatives of our missing. At the picketing we were joined by the President and Secretary of our sister Organisation in Cyprus.

At 7.00pm members went inside the House, in committee room 14, where lobbying took place for the Cyprus problem as well as for the missing.

Many MPs joined and answered questions put to them.

Later a drinks reception was held in the Jubilee Room to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the National Federation of UK Cypriots.

(You may see more photos on our website, if you wish)



TRAFALGAR SQUARE

RALLY: For one more year we were at Trafalgar Square to demand justice and the right to know the fate of our missing. 40 years of waiting to find out what happened to our loved ones is far too long. When is the UN and the international community going to force Turkey to give the information it has about our missing? It is about time the big powers start acting for once and stop talking.

FROM THE CMP: In a recent newspaper interview, the new G/C representative to the CMP Mr Nestoras Nestoros said that the CMP:

- Aims to provide answers to families for each missing person individually.
- To Increase the success rate of exhumation, which this year is only 11% (while the success rate of exhumation at military sites is 50%)!
- The CMP has prepared a three-year plan 2015-17 which aims to increase by 30% the productivity of the CMP by reviewing the information in folders and files for the missing, to undertake more targeted investigations.
- The Turks make promises and do very little action. From the information shown there are many landfills in military zones. Of the 23 sites that the Turkish side granted authorization for exhumation, from 2005 to 2013, only two are located in military areas.
- It was agreed by the members of the CMP to request authorisation for excavations /exhumations in three more priority sites that are located in areas designated as military zones.

WINE FESTIVAL: As every other year we were at the wine festival at Alexandra Palace with our stand, reminding all, once again, that the issue of our missing is still unresolved, after 40 years! We will continue our struggle until justice prevails.

