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IDENTIFICATIONS: The following identifications have been announced by the CMP. That of Christaki Georgiou from **Karmi**, Nikou Kyriacou from **Ammohostos**, Costa Ioannou from **Kerinia**, Chrysostomou Siokkou, Panyiotas & Chrysis Antoniou from **Lefkoniko**, Stylianos Kalpourtzi from **Thessaloniki**, Kyriacou Psara from **Koma tou Yialou**, Christofi Loizou from **Arnadi**, Christou Kyratzi from **Ag. Amvrosios**, Kyriacou Strati, Maritsas Dimitroudi from **Dikomo**, Andrea Petrou from **E.Metohi**, Epifaniou Nicola from **Vitsada**.

WINE FESTIVAL: Like every year we were there with our stand, on 25-26 June, at Alexandra Palace, giving information and distributing leaflets to those attending about the issue of the fate of our missing. Unfortunately, the attendance was less than previous years but that did not stop us from carrying out our duty to explain and give leaflets on this humanitarian issue. We would like to thank all those members that came along and offered their help on those two days.



LOBBY OUTSIDE THE HoC: On Tuesday 12th July we were outside the HoC lobbying for the umpteenth time for a solution to the humanitarian issue of our missing. Members and friends were there holding photos of our missing and demanding an end to the plight of the relatives of the missing. MPs like Sir Roger Gale, Sir Alan Meale, Mike Freer, the Mayor of Lapithos were present supporting our cause. Leaflets were distributed by Patricia and at around 6.45pm we moved into the Grand Committee Room in the House where a meeting was held with guest speaker the Cyprus H. Commissioner Mr E. Evriviades. A reception followed in the Jubille Room.

MARCH 16th RALLY: On Saturday 16th July the Federation organised a march from outside the Turkish Embassy, through London, down to Trafalgar Square and then to the cenotaph where a wreath was laid. There were no speeches instead leaflets were distributed before and after the march. We thank those members and friends of ours that took part and helped in the distribution of the leaflets.



CMP INITIATES IN-DEPTH SEARCH OF ARCHIVES IN CYPRUS AND ABROAD: (Nicosia, 28 July 2016)

Faced with increasing difficulties to locate additional human remains, the CMP urgently needs to broaden efforts to obtain information that may lead to the discovery of burial sites. This includes the review of archival material of international organizations, state actors and domestic authorities that were present during the events of 1963-64 and 1974.

Following extensive discussion on this sensitive matter, the CMP Members have now decided to request access to information from all relevant parties. Furthermore, they have agreed to set up a dedicated capacity within the CMP to conduct archival research. This will include a team of researchers who will undertake the long task of carrying out an impartial review of archives, in Cyprus and abroad, related to the events of 1963/4 and 1974. The CMP Members hope that this effort will yield new information to aid in the location of burial sites of missing persons and thus bring answers to bereaved families across the island.

COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS: 1265th meeting 20-21 September 2016 Varnava and Xenides-Arestis group v. Turkey (Application No. 46347/99) Supervision of the execution of the European Court's judgments the Deputies; 1. firmly insisted once again on Turkey's unconditional obligation to pay the just satisfaction awarded by the European Court in these cases; 2. deeply deplored the absence of progress in this respect and again exhorted Turkey to comply with this obligation without further delay; 3. agreed to resume consideration of this issue at their 1273rd meeting (December 2016).

MEETINGS IN CYPRUS: This summer our Committee's President and PR secretary, while on holiday in Cyprus, had taken the opportunity to meet with Mr Photis Photiou, Cyprus Government Commissioner for Human Rights and Overseas Cypriots. Mr Photiou agreed with our representatives that our Committee needs to be regularly and efficiently be informed of developments on the Missing Persons issue, in order to have an effective campaign in the UK and Europe. The Commissioner agreed with the request and made arrangements for the same. They have also met with the G/C Member of the CMP Mr Nestoras Nestoros, who responded to our reps questions outlining the challenges the CMP are facing and how they are working to overcome them (see CMP Press Release above).

Our General Secretary had a meeting with the Committee of the sister Organisation in Cyprus where the possibility of cooperation towards a coordinating campaign in the European Union with support from Cypriot MEPs as well as UK MEPs who support our campaign.

DONATIONS: Homelink £100 Y. Kashimeris £50. *We thank you very much.*