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**MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION pursuant to Rule 50  
on the abduction of a Greek Cypriot citizen in Cyprus**

Tabled by Christos Zacharakis, Arie Oostlander, Antonios Trakatellis, Ioannis Marinos on behalf of the EPP-ED Group

***The European Parliament,***

- having regard to its previous resolutions on Cyprus, including its resolution on Cyprus's application for membership of the European Union and the state of the negotiations, and in particular its resolution of 24 October 1996 on the murders of Greek Cypriot citizens in Cyprus,

- having regard to the declaration of the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee of 5 June 2000,

- having regard to previous resolutions of the United Nations on Cyprus,

A. recalling that Mr Panicos Tsiakourmas was abducted on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2000 and remains in detention in the Turkish occupied area since the 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2000,

B. whereas this totally unjustified act took place on the territory of the British Base Area of Dhekelia near Pyla,

C. taking into consideration the fact that the authorities of the British Base have publicly affirmed that Mr Tsiakourmas was violently and arbitrarily abducted from sovereign British territory,

D. although the allegations against Mr. Tsiakourmas have not been proven, proceedings have commenced in the illegal courts in the area occupied by the Turkish Army against Mr Tsiakourmas on trumped-up charges with no possibility of a fair trial,

E. deeply concerned that Mr Tsiakourmas is facing chronic health problems and that the condition of his health continues to deteriorate, according to UN and other doctors who have been examining him,

1. Condemns the illegal arrest of Mr Tsiakourmas by Turkey's forces in the occupied area of Cyprus;

2. Demands that the local administration in the occupied area of Cyprus release Mr Tsiakourmas immediately and without any preconditions,

3. Calls upon Turkey to comply with the UN resolutions on Cyprus,

4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the governments of the Member States, the governments and parliaments of Cyprus, Turkey, the United Kingdom and the United Nations Secretary-General.

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