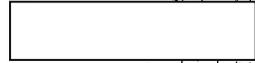


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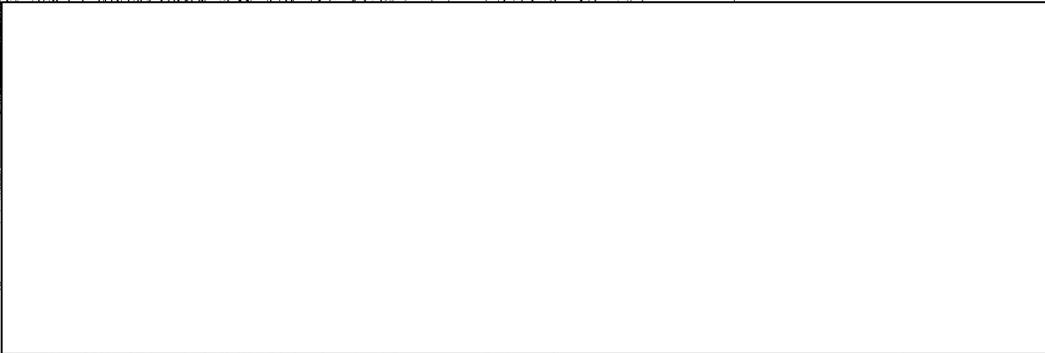
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Acting President Clerides will travel to London today to meet with Archbishop Makarios, presumably to discuss the situation on Cyprus and the question of Makarios' return.

Clerides is expected to urge Makarios to postpone his return in order to avert clashes between pro and anti-Makarios elements. Demonstrations of this kind have already occurred, including one last week in Larnaca that involved 2,000 students. Clerides will also want to clarify his own status as negotiator for the Greek Cypriot side in the talks with Turkish Cypriots. Clerides has refused to rule out a bi-zonal geographic federation for Cyprus, a position that Makarios has publicly rejected.

A final decision on the timing of Makarios' return to the island will not likely be reached until the scheduled summit next week in Athens between the two men and Greek Prime Minister Karamanlis.

The Greek Government is anxious about the impact of Makarios' return on the Greek Cypriot community and on the negotiations with the Turks. Makarios is less flexible than either Karamanlis or Clerides on the issues involved in any future negotiations. Karamanlis' landslide electoral victory last Sunday has given him greater maneuverability on the Cyprus question and he is now in a better position to pressure Makarios to moderate his demands or delay his return.

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