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SUBJECT Greek Government not to Insist on Departure of Maximos; Phanar Officials Deny Soviet Connections

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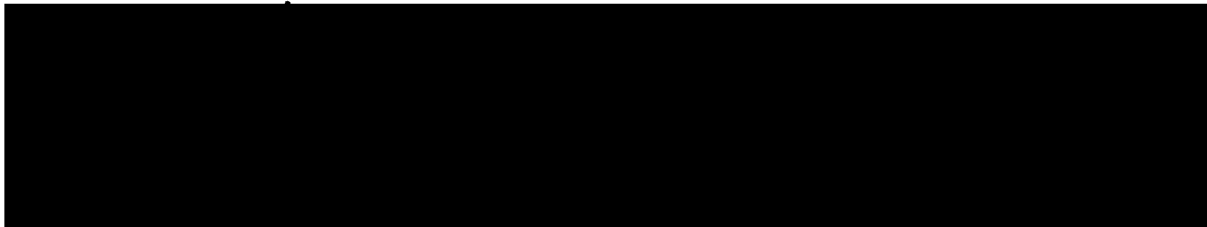
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1. The Greek Government has instructed its Consul General in Istanbul not to insist on the departure of Patriarch Maximos for Switzerland.

25X1A6a [Redacted] Comment: [Redacted] distributed on 2 January 1947, stated that Maximos refused to leave for Switzerland, after offering his resignation as Patriarch, and that the Greek Government refused to accept his resignation. 25X1A2g

2. The Turkish papers, Tanin and Vatan, have published a statement to the effect that the Soviet Consul General had placed the Russian summer Embassy in Buyukdere at the disposal of the Patriarch. Phanar officials insist, however, that there is no foundation to this report and are of the opinion that the two papers in question obviously wish to create difficulties for the Patriarchate by giving the impression of close collaboration with the Soviets.

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