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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: MAKARIOS TO CONVENE SYNOD; EOKA-B ACTIVITY

1. PHILELEFTHEROS AND APOGEVMATINI REPORT THAT ARCHBISHOP
MAKARIOS WILL CONVENE HOLY SYNOD MAY 3, COMPOSED OF SENIOR
ABBOTS AND BISHOPS SUFFRAGAN IN ADDITION TO BISHOPS, TO DEAL
WITH CHURCH CRISIS. SYNOD REPORTEDLY WILL TAKE MEASURES
AGAINST "REBEL BISHOPS" AND THEIR ECCLESIASTICAL
SUPPORTERS. ACCORDING PHILELEFTHEROS, SYNOD WILL
PRIMARILY FOCUS ON SITUATION IN PAPHOS, WHERE SEE HAS
BEEN VACANT FOR OVER SIX MONTHS.

2. LATE APRIL 25 ANOTHER LEAFLET PURPORTEDLY ISSUED BY
EOKA-B WAS DISTRIBUTED IN NICOISIA. LATEST PAMPHLET
ATTACKS "SELF-PROCLAIMED GREEKS" FOR BEING OBEDIENT
TOOLS OF AMERICAN AND BRITISH AND YIELDING TO ALL
TURKISH DEMANDS. EOKA-B ALSO CALLED ON PRIESTS TO
READ BISHOPS' PASTORAL LETTER AND PRAY FOR "LOCUM TENENS

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YENTADIOS”.  
COMMENT: LEAFLET IS READ HERE, A IMPLICIT CRITICISM OF GREEK GOVT.

3. VIOLENCE CONTINUES IN GREEK COMMUNITY, WITH SEVERAL BOMB BLASTS AND THEFT OF UNDETERMINED QUANTITY OF DYNAMITE FROM CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.
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