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In Cyprus

THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF A PLOT

NICOSIA, Feb. 4, (ANA). — A reliable Government source said here today that "the Cyprus Government is aware of the fact that unlawful groups exist in Cyprus, and that they are armed. The Government is also aware that a plot is under way against the State, and consequently, is determined to face unlawfulness and plotting if they were to express themselves. The Government neither pursues nor wishes any other development than a peaceful one and it gives the opportunity to everyone, if they so wish, to take part in the peaceful political competition for the securing of the popular support in their views and political directions."

Other reliable circles stated today that the Cyprus Government is aware of the fact that General Grivas is in Cyprus and that he has personally mingled in unlawful activities. They did not exclude also that the purpose of the unlawful groups, as among others, the failure of the intercommunal talks.

Ambassador Constantine Panayotakos, had officially protested to President Makarios about the secret importation of arms. The Cyprus broadcasting corporation reported that President Makarios had received the Greek Ambassador this morning, but gave no details of the meeting.

SUPPLIES STOLEN

NICOSIA, Feb. 4 (Reuter) — Large quantities of medical supplies suitable for a field hospital have been stolen from the British Royal Air Force hospital at Akrotiri airbase in Southern Cyprus, British sources said today.

An official British forces statement was expected later today.

The thefts were connected by diplomatic observers here with the formation of clandestine anti-Government bands acting in the name of the former EOKA leader, General George Grivas.

Dozens of machineguns, automatic weapons and rifles stolen from a Cyprus national guard at Triкомо in Eastern Cyprus are believed to have found their way into their hands.

Opposition newspapers here today insisted, in the face of official denials, that the Cyprus Government is also arming its supporters with shipments of high-powered weapons from Czechoslovakia.

The morning paper, Makhí, which normally supports the Makarios administration, today amplified the opposition press claim and said a Spanish ship had unloaded 5,000 weapons and ammunition at Xeros port, in northwestern Cyprus, on January 31.

The newspaper said some of the weapons have been stored at Mitsero copper mine, where police last Tuesday night arrested 70 men suspected of planning to raid the stores.

A Government spokesman today repeated his denial that Greek