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## Statement by the Greek Cypriot leader, Mr. Nicos Anastasiades and the Turkish Cypriot leader, Mr. Mustafa Akıncı

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Today, the leaders announced the implementation of the interoperability of mobile phones across the island with the aim of improving the communication between the communities and bringing all Cypriots closer together.

The first call took place between the two leaders at 12:45 pm, facilitated by the Special Representative/Deputy Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Cyprus, Ms. Elizabeth Spehar, confirming that the arrangement is now live and working.

The achievement of this confidence building measure underlines the importance of dialogue, trust and co-operation between both sides.

The Turkish Cypriot leader, Mr. Mustafa Akıncı and the Greek Cypriot leader, Mr. Nicos Anastasiades also discussed the possibility of meeting the soonest possible with the aim of evaluating the situation as regards to the current state of play on the Cyprus problem as well as furthering more potential CBMs which will affect positively the daily lives of all Cypriots.

End.