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DURHAM, N.H. – Euripides Evriviades, a 1976 graduate of the University of New Hampshire and ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to the United States, will discuss “The Middle East: A Region at Risk, The View from Cyprus” Wednesday, March 31, 2004, at 4:10 p.m. in the Swampscott Room of Holloway Commons on the UNH campus.



Euripides Evriviades

The ambassador’s lecture is part of the New Hampshire International Seminar Series and funded by the Yale Maria Fund. It is free and open to the public.

In 1974, Turkish troops invaded northern part of the island of Cyprus in response to a short-lived Greek coup. Since then, Cyprus has been divided between Muslims in the north and Christians in the south, but the self-declared Republic of Northern Cyprus is still recognized only by Turkey. Negotiations for rejoining the island are currently advancing as Cyprus is set to join the European Union on May 1. The lecture will focus on this unique Cypriot experience in the Middle East and the role of Ambassador Evriviades as a key figure in the overall Middle East peace process.

Until his appointment to the United States last year, Evriviades served as the ambassador of Cyprus to The Netherlands and ambassador to Israel. Earlier in his career he held senior positions at Cypriot embassies in Libya, Russia and Germany. Evriviades joined the diplomatic service in 1976 after graduating from UNH with a bachelor’s degree in business administration.