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'NO, MINISTER!'

'29 Questions' to Ozkan Murat from Home Buyers Pressure Group

WE SUGGEST to Mr Murat that he should take a tour of some of the building sites pertaining to our problems and he stated that he is the only Minister who actually bothers to tour the Island and see for himself what is going on. Have any of our members seen him on these tours?

On 1 December 2005 Mr Soyer chaired a meeting between the Homebuyers Pressure Group and various Ministers and other officials so that our problems could be heard by all. Mr Murat was at that meeting. The Prime Minister set up a Task Force at that time consisting of members of the various government department and authorities, who would tackle the individual property related problems.

Cafer Gürcafer, Construction Association President, was appointed as our main contact to feed this Task Force with information. Many of our cases have been translated into Turkish and hand delivered to Cafer during the past six months.

Another subject that was raised was the TRNC Court and general Legal System which is viewed as a fiasco by those of us currently in that situation. Mr Murat said that, if we give him our Court Case numbers, he would investigate what has been happening that give us this impression. After all, he is a lawyer himself.

Now, here we are in September 2006 and he is telling us that he doesn't know anything about our



Marian Stokes 'The queue got longer, the sun got hotter and we waited our turn, the first number we had among us was 12. At least refreshments were available free of charge. Getting very bored waiting we decided that rules are for breaking and why should he not see us as a group as most of our problems are similar which would save us and Mr Murat a lot of time. After what seemed an eternity it was time for number 12 and the 30 or so of us who had endured the long hot wait trundled into the office, thinking that they would stop us.'

problems !! Mr Murat was very charming, appeared to listen with an open mind, and said that he was not aware of the seriousness of our situ-

ations. Not aware?? On 19 October 2005, unable to see the Interior Minister himself, we presented a detailed list of rogue builders, lawyers

and estate agents and the problems they had caused to Ali Alnar, Undersecretary to Mr Murat. At that time Mr Alnar said that he would have all

the information translated into Turkish so that they could gain a better understanding of the entire situation.