

# Sticking points in Cyprus reunification talks

The Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot leaders aim to establish two constituent states to run the island's affairs within an overarching federal framework, sharing power between the two communities



**Self-declared Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus**

Pop: 286,257 (2011 census)



Turkish Cypriot leader **Mustafa Akinci**



UK sovereign base

KARPAS PENINSULA

20km  
12 miles



Greek Cypriot leader **Nicos Anastasiades**



**Republic of Cyprus**

Pop: 838,897 (2011 census)



■ **Security:** Greek Cypriots demand withdrawal of 30,000 Turkish troops from north, but Turkish Cypriots insist on Turkish military presence

■ **Property:** Two parties should agree on return of property to tens of thousands of Cypriots who fled homes in 1974 Turkish invasion

■ **Power sharing:** Terms of rotating presidency – cornerstone of planned new governance arrangements – hotly disputed

■ **Territory:** Turkish Cypriots would retain between 28.2 and 29.2 percent of total Cypriot territory – down from about 36% now – to reflect fact that Greek Cypriots make up majority of island's population

Greek Cypriots want return of **Morphou** region but they may be offered **Karpas** peninsula instead

Britain has offered to relinquish half of 250 square km it administers as part of any final peace deal