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Aristotle's School Found

ATHENS (AFP) — The ruins of the Lyceum, where Aristotle taught two and a half millennia ago, have been unearthed in central Athens, according to Culture Minister Evangelos Venizelos.

The Central Council of Archaeology confirmed that ruins found on the site of Athens's new modern art museum are those of the Lyceum, the minister said.

The philosopher Aristotle lived from 384 to 322 B.C. and taught at the Lyceum from the age of 49 until his retirement at 62.

The Lyceum was one of the three great schools of philosophy in ancient Greece, together with Plato's academy and the school established by the Cynics after the death of Socrates.

Reprieve in East Mediterranean

ATHENS — A U.S. envoy said Tuesday that the Cyprus missile crisis was over and that “soaring tensions” in the Eastern Mediterranean had been brought under control for the time being.

“The purpose of my trip to the region was to as much as possible reduce tension that really soared this year,” said the envoy, Carey Cavanaugh, after meeting with the general secretary of the Greek Foreign Ministry, Alexandros Filon.

He said positive steps had been taken during talks Monday to reduce tension between Greek and Turkish Cypriots.

Mr. Cavanaugh said he had received assurances from the Greek Cypriot president, Glafcos Clerides, that recently purchased Russian anti-aircraft missiles would not arrive on the island for at least 16 months.

“I think there is time to work on a solution of the problem,” he said. (Reuters)