

# Occupy Buffer Zone (Group)

Occupy Buffer Zone (OBZ) was a protest movement that began on October 15, 2011 by Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot activists, in the Ledra/Lokmacı checkpoint, in Nicosia. The movement began with a weekly occupation of the checkpoint. On November 19 of 2011 the occupation of the buffer zone became permanent.

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Area:	Nicosia, Buffer Zone between the Ledra/Lokmacı Checkpoints
Active Period:	2011-2012
Political Position:	Anti-capitalism
Facebook:	<a href="#">Link</a>
Archived Website:	<a href="#">Link</a>

## Group Identity

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## Leaflets

- (??/11) The 15th of October Movement: Occupy Buffer Zone
- (01/12) Our Cultural Centre
- (01/12) United Nations Peacekeeping Forced in Cyprus' (UNFICYP) Letter
- (01/12) Occupy Buffer Zone's Response to UNFICYP's Letter
- (??/12) Greetings from the Buffer Zone (Leaflet of Anarchist Group)
- (04/12) Announcement of the Occupy Buffer Zone Movement
- (04/12) Press Release Occupy Buffer Zone (OBZ)

## Stickers

- (??/11) One Cyprus No Bullshit

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1)  
[Leaflet of Occupy Buffer Zone με τίτλο 'The 15th of October Movement: Occupy Buffer Zone'](#)

2)  
[Occupy Buffer Zone's Website](#)

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