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U.S. PHILIPPINES CONTRIBUTE TO UNFICYP

THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED STATES LAST MONTH MADE financial contributions to the United Nations to help cover the expenses of the United Nations peace-keeping Force in Cyprus.

In a communication, dated 20 June, to the Secretary-General U Thant, the Permanent Representative of the Philippines to the UN, Ambassador Salvador P. Lopez, said his Government was contributing 1,000 dollars to the financial support for UNFICYP.

On 28 June, the Permanent Representative of the United States to the UN, Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg, informed the Secretary-General that the US was prepared to make a contribution of up to 4,000,000 dollars toward the six-month (27 June—26 December 1967) cost of UNFICYP. Ambassador Goldberg said that the amount ultimately contributed by the United States against this pledge will depend on contributions of other governments towards the cost of the operation.

OSORIO-TAFALL LEAVES FOR ANKARA, ATHENS

DR. B. F. OSORIO-TAFALL, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S Special Representative in Cyprus, left Nicosia for Ankara today, Wednesday, 19 July, on the first part of his visit to Turkey and Greece.

Dr. Osorio-Tafall will remain in Turkey until Monday, 24 July, when he is scheduled to arrive in Athens. He plans to return to Nicosia on Friday, 28 July.

These visits were originally scheduled to commence on 12 July, but Dr. Osorio-Tafall postponed his trip due to "compelling personal reasons". (See BLUE BERET, 12 July 1967).

PEACE-KEEPING

U-THANT ISSUES FINAL REPORT ON U.N.E.F.

IN HIS FINAL REPORT ON THE UN EMERGENCY FORCE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, SECRETARY-GENERAL U THANT says he interprets "shock and dismay" produced by the Force's withdrawal and renewed fighting which immediately followed, as an expression of how much reliance had come to be placed on the United Nations as an instrument for the maintenance of peace.

Clearly, he suggests, an important lesson to be gained from this sobering experience is that the peace-keeping function of the United Nations should be strengthened so as better to serve the cause of world peace.

At the same time he warns that UN experience with such operations indicates that their very success may induce a false sense of security.

The ability of such operations to re-establish and maintain quiet for an extended period may come to be mistaken for a solution of the basic problem.

Peace-keeping operations can serve their purpose properly, he declares, only if they are accompanied by serious and persistent efforts to solve problems which made those operations necessary in the first place.

The Secretary-General further stresses in his report that it is only realistic to accept the fact that any UN peace-keeping operation based on voluntary cooperation of the host country, or countries, and suppliers of contingents cannot hope to continue to perform any useful function — and may well find itself in grave danger — if it is no longer welcome in a country and governmental cooperation is withdrawn.

If there is any serious doubt on this score, he suggests, it would be advisable for the UN to abandon altogether the notion of a voluntary peace-keeping operation and turn to enforcement type actions under the Security Council as

ASSEMBLY BACKS STAND ON JERUSALEM

THE General Assembly July 14th deplored that Israel had not complied with its request last week not to take over the old city of Jerusalem formerly in Jordanian hands and again called on her to restore and maintain the pre-war status of the city.

The vote was 99 in favour, none against, and 18 abstentions — with Israel not taking part in the ballot. The vote was much the same as that of July 4th. Italy, Gabon, and Dahomey switched from abstention to support; Madagascar, from support to abstention. A slightly larger number of abstainers gave the identical numerical total of 99 for.

Israel contended that the resolution did not take into account her moves to entrust holy places to Christian, Moslem,

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HELP WANTED



STILL NO APPLICATIONS - The Help Wanted sign has been up for two weeks at Cliffside Outpost and still no applicants. Kind of gets you down in the dumps doesn't it? Oh well, perhaps next week.

(Canadian Forces Photo)



SGO/KIH, PRLT(R) P. Roland Jensen, STGR.

Hj/KIH, OS W. Sørensen, STGR.



Jagtsæsonen er gået ind. Her har KS 633028 M.H. "Special" Andersen, STGR, DANCON III, V, VI og VII skudt en blæksprutte ved Kyrena. Dette er iøvrigt hans anden blæksprutte, den første er allerede fortæret med stort velbehag, og den anden ligger klar i køleskabet til bedre tider.



Billedet her blev taget under fodboldkampen DANCON - SWEDCON den 8 JUL. Stemningen var god under hele kampen, men på et tidspunkt blev danskerne trætte. Det syntes svenskerne der måtte gøres noget ved, så en svensk kom til og begyndte at heppe danskerne. Det kan man da kalde broderskab. Kampen endte med en dansk sejr på 6 - 4.



DANCON-holdet var glad for sejren og naturligvis måtte fotografen tage et billede. Fra venstre ses: LT Kold 10, SG Møller, KS Slot, KS Frandsen, SG Pedersen, KS P.E. Andersen, KS Helbo, KS G.F., Hansen, PRLT O.M. Hansen, KS T. Rasmussen, KS Jensen, KS Gravgaard.

DANCON NEWS



I DANCON's område er der udlagt ca. 300 km fletkabel. Det er derfor ikke usædvanligt at der kan ske brud eller lignende på linien. At klare disse uhed er signalfolkene mænd for, her ser vi KS 718512 P.T. Hansen, BV, til højre og KS 716217 H. Ejlerksen, SJLR til venstre højt til vejrs i en af masterne.



Än idag sitter kvinnorna vid sina dukar i Lefkara. En besökande FN-soldat får många trevliga "skjutvinklar" för sin kamera.

Lefkara, där dukarna sys....

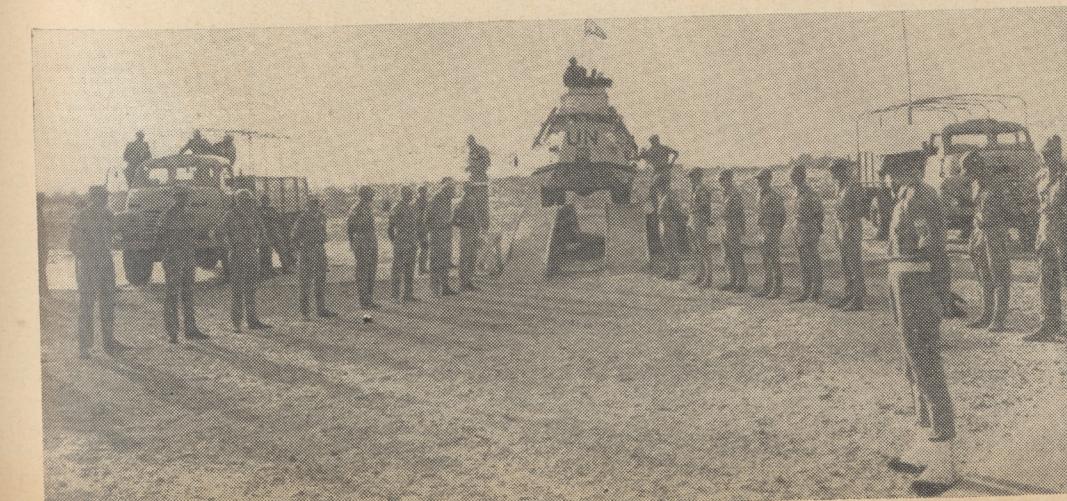
UTFLYKTSMÅL PÅ CYPERN V

Det berättas att Leonardo da Vinci for till Cypern för att skaffa altarspetsar till de nybyggda katedralen i Milano. Samlingen att säga, så far folk än idag till den legendomsprunna medelhavsn i samma syfte, närmare bestämt till Lefkara, där de berömda spetsdukarna av tradition tillverkas. Namnet klingar säkert välbekant för de flesta FN-soldater på Cypern.

Vägen tar man lämpligen över Kophinou, som man passerar västerut. På andra sidan Scarinoubron tar man av till snett till höger, och sedan följer en vindlande grusväg uppför kullarna.

Och som oftast blir det i alla fall något köp, innan man återvänder från Lefkara. Men, det kan vara idé att jämföra priset innan köpet beslutats. Bara som ett tips...

SWEDCON NEWS



ÖLEAVE PÅ TVÅ HJUL



Cykla runt Cypern gjorde (fr.v.) Anders Svensson, Bankeryd, Stig Göran Lauritzson, Hässleholm, och Dan Edberg, Lessebo - tre FN-soldater som föredrog två framför fyra hjul på sin öleave. Billigare så kanske - och spänstigare!

Kämpatag : fotboll



Hårda tag om bollen var det i båda de fotbollsmatcher som nyligen utspelats mellan danska och svenska cypnbatallionerna. Första gången gick det vägen för de svenska med hela 4 - 1, men i returnmatchen (se bilden!) jämnade danskarna ut matchstatistiken och vmed 6 - 4.

KP - DOP
hos Reindeers

Stor dopceremoni var det härförleden på Reindeer Camp, när kompaniet ställde upp för dop av - nej, faktiskt inte ett barn - utan av en KP-bil! Kompanichefen, mj. Rasmussen, talade, champagnen yrde kring "stäven" och Blue Beret får önska den nydöpta KP:n lycka till här i världen.

BRITCON NEWS

TRANSPORT SQUADRON ROTATION

ON SATURDAY 22 JULY, 1 SQUADRON, ROYAL CORPS OF TRANSPORT commanded by Major Donald Garner, will leave Cyprus for UK on completion of their six month tour.

The Squadron is the supporting transport squadron for 19 Infantry Brigade which is part of Britains Strategic Reserve. In January this year a small HQ and two transport Troops arrived in Cyprus to take over from 42 Squadron RCT, leaving behind in UK,

about half the Squadron to carry on its Brigade commitments.

In the last three years, Troops of 1 Squadron have served operationally in Aden, Cyprus, Borneo and British Guiana whilst others have been on exercise in Germany, France, Denmark, Belgium, Holland, Norway, Turkey and Greece.

Apart from providing second line transport support to the contingents and staff car support to the Headquarters UN-

FICYP, the Squadron has also transported the Turkish Contingent rotation, Red Crescent supplies and transportation of the evacuated troops of UNEF, from Famagusta during the recent Near East crisis.

It is noteworthy that the Squadron achieved a 90% road-worthiness grading during their REME Biannual Inspection, no mean feat considering the fact that the 79 vehicles operated by the Squadron have covered approximately 900,000 miles during the last

six months.

In the sporting field, teams have entered all the HQ UNFICYP league sports and came top of the league in both Football and Water-Polo. The Basketball Team finished second in their league.

The Squadron has been relieved by 65 Squadron RCT commanded by Maj N.H. Soulsby RCT. The advance party arrived on 7 July, the main body arriving on 13 July.

DUKES AT WORK



On watch Pte Geoffrey Bowes from Leeds keeps an eye on the road traffic.



At PI HQ, Pte Alan Innes-ray who comes from Hull, checks the Platoon radio equipment.

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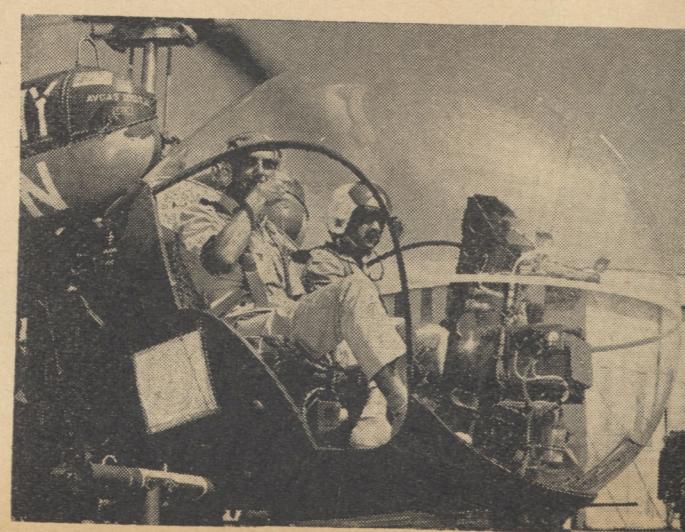
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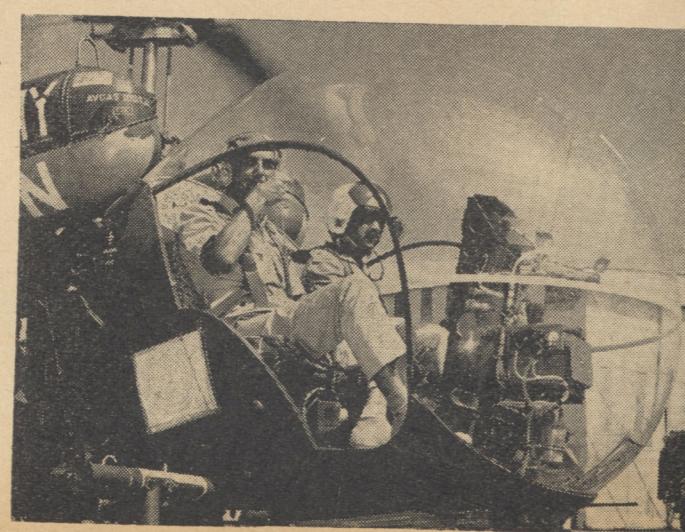
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Pte Martin Mee reports traffic movements back to PI HQ. Martin comes from Galway — South.



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CHEF OF STAFF INSPECTS IRCON

ON JULY 11th, BRIGADIER M. N. HARBOTTLE, OBE, CHIEF OF STAFF, UNFICYP, visited the Irish Contingent and saw 8th Inf Gp carrying out its duties.

He arrived at Xeros by helicopter and was met by Lt Col J. Beary who escorted him to the Guard of Honour.

He showed keen interest in its personnel and during his



Brig. Harbottle, OBE, COS, UNFICYP inspecting a Guard of Honour on his arrival at Xeros on 11th July. Accompanying him is Lt. Owen Maloney. Flag Officer is Lt. Jack Dwyer.



During inspection of Xeros Camp UNFICYP Chief of Staff, Brig. Harbottle, OBE, examines a plan for new buildings under construction. (L to R) Cpl Jim Brady (Engrs) Lt-Col. J. Beary, Comdt J. Ryan, O/C HQ Coy, the COS, Coy Sgt Henry Wolverson (Engrs).



inspection he talked with many of its members.

Then followed a briefing, tour of Xeros Camp, a visit to several OPs, and to Kato Pyrgos Camp.

He lunched with the Officers at IRCON HQ and before flying back to UN HQ he stated that he was pleased to have been amongst the Irish and expressed his satisfaction with all he had seen.



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Brig. M.N. Harbottle, OBE, discusses UN service with Coy-Sgt Henry Wolverson of IRCON Engineers.



A study in concentration. Brig. M.N. Harbottle, OBE, at the briefing in IRCON Operations tent. With him is Lt-Col. J. Beary, O/C 8th Irish Inf Group.

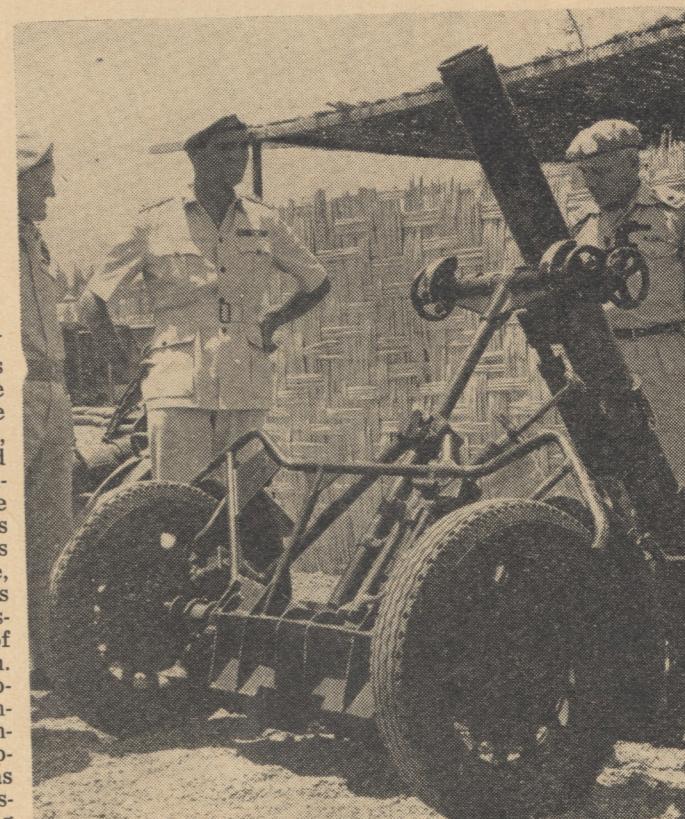


Saved from drowning, 6 year old Andreas Miki is comforted in Famagusta hospital. Visiting him are his Irish rescuers. (Left) Tpr Edward Cleary who took him from the sea (Left) Sgt Denis Leahy and (Right) Cpl David Sharpe both of whom revived him with the "Kiss of life" assisted by Cypriot Vassilis Elia.

LIFE SAVERS

ON MONDAY 10th JULY THREE IRCON members on holiday at Famagusta were instrumental in saving the life of a 6 years old Cypriot boy, Andreas Miki. Trooper Edward Cleary found him floating underwater 100 yards off shore and brought him unconscious to the beach. There Sgt Denis Leahy and Cpl Davy Sharpe, both holders of Irish Red Cross Certificates as Life Saving Instructors, applied the "Kiss of Life" method of resuscitation. They were assisted by a Cypriot, Vassilis Elia. After twenty minutes the child's breathing recommenced, and wrapped in a blanket the child was taken to hospital by his rescuers. The boy is now making a speedy recovery.

The Force Commander, Lt Gen A.E. Martola has commended their action to COMIRCON.



Brig. M.N. Harbottle, OBE, discusses characteristics of the 8th Inf Group's 120 mm Mortars with Lt-Col J. Beary (Left) and Comdt J. Stewart, Group 2 i/c. The Chief of Staffs first command was a mortar unit.

FINCON NEWS



Miestä varustetaan susikoiran suuhun. Urhoollisena käärönä jäälä O Vinkki, varustelijana taas jäälä T Voutilainen.



...ellei hoitaja toisin määrä. Ja jäälä Vinkin onneksi kers E Saarinen niin tällä kertaa teki.



Ja niin kävi. Kiinni ja pysyy....



Kynän usuttaminen pullooon voi myös tuntua vaikealta, ainakin kilpailu mielessä. Tällä kertaa edustamassa jääläkit P Summanen, U Jääskeläinen ja M Ala-Ruuna.



EK:n iltaan oli mahdotettu mukaan monenlaista hupia. Tässä yritytävät He San sivuja saada järjestykseen jääläkit U Jääskeläinen, M Ala-Ruuna ja edessä P Välimäki.

CANCON NEWS

(Canadian Forces Photos)



CYPRUS MEDAL PRESENTATIONS. This week saw the first of the present Canadian Contingent qualify for their UN Cyprus medal. Col W.W. Turner made the presentations to the Headquarters staff while Lt. Col N.A. Robinson, did the honours for the Queen's Own Rifles. Later, on the same parade, the Force Commander Lt. General A.E. Martola presented medals to 12 Officers and men representing the Canadian Contingent. Shown receiving his medal from the General is Staff Sergeant Ken Barrett of the Second Battalion of the Queen's Own Rifles.

(Canadian Forces Photo)



COMMANDING Officer of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Lt. Colonel W.T.E. Finan of Gagetown, New Brunswick, is shown being greeted at the airport by Major Troughton, C.O. RCD Recce Squadron. Col Finan spent a week in Cyprus, along with the RSM of the RCD's, Regimental Sergeant Major L.A. Milberry, visiting with squadron members, learning their role and on several instances travelling with them as they performed their duties. The Col, on his return to Canada leaves the Royal Canadian Dragoons to take up duties with Training Command Headquarters at Winnipeg.

(Canadian Forces Photo)



Colonel W.T.E. Finan takes the salute of RCD Recce Sqn Scout cars during a roll past in his honour last week.



NEW COMMANDER

NEW CANADIAN CONTINGENT COMMANDER — Colonel Henry C.F. Elliot, CD arrived in Cyprus last Monday to take over the duties of Commander of the Canadian Contingent and Deputy Chief of Staff of the United Nations Forces in Cyprus. He is shown (left) arriving at Nicosia airport and being greeted by Col W.W. Turner, CD whom he will be replacing.

Colonel Elliot was born in Toronto April 12, 1921. He enlisted in the Non Permanent Active Militia in 1940 and transferred to the Canadian Army (Active) in October 1941. He was commissioned a second lieutenant with the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada in January 1942. He served with his regiment in Britain and Northwest Europe until the end of August 1945 when he returned to Britain to attend the Camberley Staff College. He was promoted to Captain in July 1944 and Major in July 1945.

On his return to Canada, he reverted to the rank of Captain and served at Army Headquarters, Ottawa, until October, 1952, when he was posted to the 1st Battalion, later redesignated the 1st Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada. He was promoted to the rank of Major in Feb. 1951.

In November, 1953, while serving with his regiment in Europe, he was appointed to the staff of the British Army of the Rhine and in February, 1956, attended the Senior Officers School in Britain. In April, 1956, on completion of the course, he returned to Canada and was assigned to the 1st Battalion QOR of C.

In April 1959 until August, 1961, he was the public relations officer at Central Command in Oakville, Ontario, and was then promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel and appointed to command the 1st Battalion, QOR of C.

In March, 1965, he was appointed to the staff of Headquarters Eastern Ontario Area at Kingston, Ontario and in October, 1965, was appointed commander of CFB Borden. He was promoted to his present rank on 1st January 1966.



The Royal Canadian Dragoons Reconnaissance Squadron received their UN Cyprus medals during a parade given in honour of their visiting Commanding Officer, Col Finan, here shown making the presentation to Trooper Charles Mackay. (Canadian Forces Photo)

SCOTLAND BOUND



Senior Constable Bob "Jock" Terms, right Australian UNCIVPOL, Ktima, is seen being farewelled by Constable Ted Cock, a strapping young fellow from Canberra, Australia. Jock is the first of the Fourth Contingent Australians to take advantage of recreation leave. Whither bound? Scotland of course, where he will renew old acquaintances. Senior Constable Terms will be carrying with him the bagpipes which he assembled himself on the gold-fields of Kalgoorlie, West Australia, the territory he has policed in the 14 years since he left Scotland, his homeland.

AUSTRIAN CIVPOL ELEMENT KOMMANDO- WECHSEL bei AUSCIVPOL



Major B. Beier

PEACE-KEEPING...

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national force which are totally unfamiliar to national military commanders — difficulties of communication, extreme limitation of military function, the complication to command encountered when each contingent maintains its national character and administrative control within the framework of the international command.

It also gives a detailed description of the chaotic conditions under which the Force had finally to be withdrawn after the outbreak of hostilities on June 5th, when as recounted in earlier reports, several units and UNEF Headquarters itself, came under fire.

The total casualties amounted to 15 killed and 21 wounded. It also reports the looting of headquarters and other camps after Israel had occupied those areas.

In den heissen Julitagen fand ein neuerlicher Kommandowechsel bei der oesterreichischen Polizei in Nicosia statt.

Captain F. Mosser, der zum 3. Mal das Kontingent geleitet hatte, kehrt in die Heimat zurück.

Wie in Cypern, so erwarten ihn auch in der Heimat verantwortungsvolle Exekutivaufgaben.

Der neue Kommandant Polizei Major B. BEIER aus Wien ist kein Neuling in Cypern. Durch viele Monate hindurch hat er bereits einmal den CO als "sunray minor" in seinen Aufgaben unterstützt.

Nicht nur der Umstand, dass die Persönlichkeit Major Beier's sowohl von UNFICYP Angehörigen als auch von der einheimischen Bevölkerung hoch geschätzt wird, sondern besonders auch seine tief schürfende Fachkenntnis qualifiziert ihn zu einem Garanten für eine zielgerichtete Fortsetzung der Friedenstätigkeit der Austrian Civilian Police auf Cypern.

Gemeinsam mit Major Beier trafen Pol 1st Lt Sommerer und 10 weitere Polizeibeamte in Nicosia ein.

Wir wünschen Captain F. Mosser ein "happy landing" in Österreich und dem neuen CO Major Beier sowie allen Neuankömmlingen ein "You are welcome, Sir, in Cyprus."

Council Condemns Congo Mercenaries

THE SECURITY COUNCIL THIS WEEK UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING ANY STATE WHICH PERSISTED in permitting or tolerating recruitment of mercenaries, and provision of facilities to them, with the objective of overthrowing governments of United Nations Member States — with specific reference to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The Council had acted on a complaint from the Congo last week that she had been the

victim of aggression by foreign mercenaries as part of an international imperialist plot to overthrow the Government.

The resolution called on States to ensure that territories under their control, as well as their nationals, were not used for the planning of subversion or recruitment, training and transit of mercenaries to fight in the Congo.

It also asked the Secretary-General to follow closely the implementation of the resolution.

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and Jewish faiths and that it did not reflect the actual situation in a unified city.

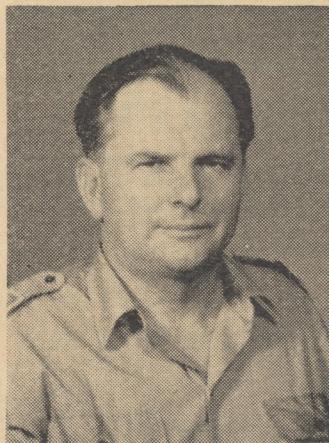
Meanwhile, private consultations continued on some sort of generally-supported agreement on how to deal with the Arab-Israeli conflict.

STOP PRESS OBSERVERS AT SUEZ

United Nations observation of the cease-fire front between Israel and the United Arab Republic in the Suez Canal sector was finally established at 16.00 hours GMT last Monday.

The operation had been intended to start on Sunday morning but was delayed as a result of last-minute differences in the interpretation of details of the stationing, functioning and communication facilities.

UN observation has been initiated by the establishment of two advance parties, each consisting of four observers, one headquartered at Ismailia on the west bank of the Canal and the other in Kantara on the east bank. Recruitment of 25 additional UN observers to meet the requirements of the Suez Canal front is continuing.



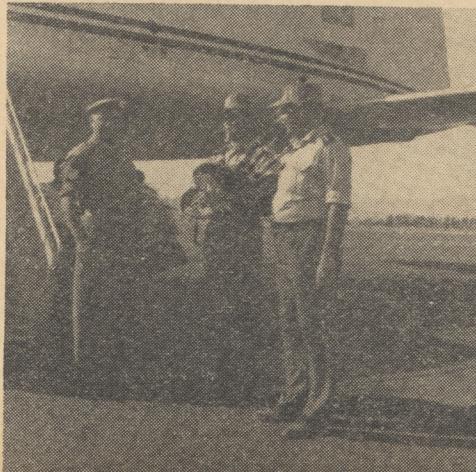
1st Lt Sommerer



Captain F. Mosser

SCOTTISH

FAREWELL



CSM "Boom" Cannon, enroute for his home base at Galgaray, Alberta, is shown being piped onto a Yukon transport at Nicosia Airport Monday 3rd July 1967, after completing six months duty with the UNFICYP Military Police Company. Doing the honours are piper Insp Angus Graham and Insp Joe Bourke of the Australian Civilian Police contingent.