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## PROMOTION FOR FORCE COMMANDER

THE FINNISH DEFENCE MINISTRY announced yesterday (Tuesday) that the Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, Major General A. E. Martola, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant General. The Blue Beret, on behalf of all members of the Force, wishes to congratulate the Commander on his promotion.



## U THANT TO SERVE SECOND TERM

ACCEDES TO UNANIMOUS ASSEMBLY DECISION

**A**CTING ON THE UNANIMOUS RECOMMENDATION by the Security Council, the General Assembly of the United Nations last Friday unanimously appointed U Thant to a new, five-year term of office as Secretary-General of the world Organization ending 31 December 1971.

In acceding to the urgings of the entire Membership, U Thant made it clear that the quest for a peaceful solution in Viet-Nam would continue to remain uppermost in his mind.

"I shall seize every occasion," he declared, "to recall that this war must be ended, and I will continue to regard it as my duty to make every effort on a personal basis to help promote a solution which will bring peace and justice to the people of Viet-Nam."

Commenting on the projected Christmas holiday ceasefire, U Thant asked if it were too much to hope that what was made possible for just a couple of days might prove

feasible for a longer period by the new commitments that peace requires, in order to create an atmosphere necessary for meaningful peace talks.

U Thant said it was not without apprehension, and regardless of his personal preferences that he was acceding to an overwhelming weight of opinion that, under present circumstances, his continuance as Secretary-General for another term would best serve the higher interests of the Organization and thus represent a positive factor in the current international situation. He emphasized that his present decision was not based on any element which had developed in recent weeks or "on any fond hope for the foreseeable future".

U Thant recalled that on September first when he had indicated that he did not wish to serve again — he had drawn attention to some of the basic issues before the United Nations and to disturbing developments in many

## SATELLITE FIRSTS FOR UNITED NATIONS

TRANSMISSIONS TO EUROPE AND JAPAN

**T**HREE SATELLITE TRANSMISSIONS — one to continental Europe, one to the United Kingdom and one to Japan — originating from United Nations Headquarters in New York took place last week, thus creating a new "first" in the coverage of United Nations affairs and in the field of satellite communications. These transmissions were organized by United Nations Television, at the request of, and with the co-

operation of, the respective national television organizations.

The first of these transmissions took place on Friday at 1530 hours, New York time, when a series of excerpts from the General Assembly debate on Chinese representation were transmitted to Brussels, the technical centre of Eurovision, via the Early Bird Satellite. From that point, this transmission was made available to

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## FURTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TO FORCE FINANCES

JAPAN GIVES \$2.5M. TO HELP EASE OVERALL UN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

**A**USTRALIA AND SINGAPORE have both announced further contributions towards the expenses of the United Nations Force in Cyprus and Japan is to make a two and a half million dollar contribution to the special fund set up to help the United Nations over its current financial difficulties.

Singapore will make a contribution of \$500 towards expenses of the Force. In a letter dated 28 November, the Representative of Singapore to the United Na-

tions, Tan Siak Leng, informed the Secretary General that in response to his appeal of 4 October, the Singapore Government would pledge this further sum towards the cost of the peace-keeping Force.

In a letter to the Secretary General dated 30 November, Mr Patrick Shaw, the Permanent Representative of Australia to the UN, informed U Thant that his government would make available the sum of \$50,000 for the eighth period of the Force mandate.

Ambassador Akira Matsui of Japan informed the Secretary General the following day of the deposit by his government of a cheque for two and half million dollars with the United Nations bankers in New York. In his letter, he referred to the address by the Japanese Foreign Minister to the Assembly's General Debate on 23rd September when the amount was pledged. This followed an appeal by the Secretary-General for contributions to help the world Organization over its present financial difficulties.

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SVENSKNYTT

# OPS CONVENTION PAA CARL GUSTAF CAMP

I FREDAGS VAR DET STOR SAMLING av HQ-officerare på Carl Gustaf Camp i Famagusta. Då var nämligen den svenska bataljonsvärd för månadens "OPS Convention", en konferens för samtliga zoners operations-officerare vilken hålls en gång i enådan.

Förhandlingarna leds av representanter för sektion 1 vid HQ UNFICYP och värdskapet utövas omväxlande av de olika zonstaberna. Konferensen ägde rum i officersmässa på Carl Gustaf Camp. Ovan hälsar stf zonchefen överstelöjtnant Åke Hessler gästerna välkomna. Bakom presidiebordet sitter fr v: major D. Craig, Storbritannien, major J G Henderson och kapten J D D McElroy, Kanada, samt major E Bonde, Sverige.

Nedan en deltagarbild från förhandlingarna. I främre raden de svenska representanterna fr v: löjtnant B Stålhane, major S Barke och kapten S v Bayer. I andra raden kapten K. Mulligan, Kanada, major M Thobberboch och kapten E. Örnstedt, Danmark. Längst

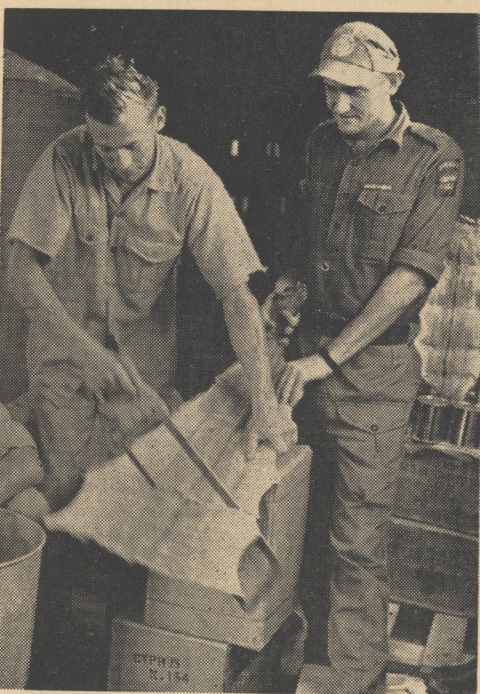
bak löjtnanterna B Stevens och E de Broe-Fergusson, Storbritannien samt major Wetterstrand, Finland. På bordet i bakgrunden t h står samtliga UNFICYP:s nationsflaggor.



## 2:A KOMPANIET INSPEKTERAS



Förra veckan inspekterade batchefen 2 komp. Här följer han tillsammans med löjtnant I Andersson, major S Barke och C 2 komp, major B Qvist, en signalövning på kompaniet. Sittande fr v: Arne Wessberg, Göteborg, Raymond Arvidsson, Uddevalla, Roland Lundström, Luleå, Thomas Weiner, Göteborg, B Andersson, Vimmerby och instruktören Remmud Rokka.



Kockarna Peter Sjöberg, Huddinge och Lars Eriksson, Arboga sågar spillången i lämpliga bitar innan den läggs i vatten i köket på Carl Gustaf Camp.

## DET LACKAR...

JÄ, TROTS GRÖNSKANDE FÄLT, mognande apelsiner och prunkande blomster lackar det alltså mot jul, som det heter. Ett av de säkraste tecknen på det noterades i fredags, då lutfisken gick i spa't på bataljonen.

I fyra stora tunnor ligger nu 35 söndersågade firrar modell spillånga från Sverige och väntar på julafton, då de ångade och vita

skall stå på julbordet. Men först skall de ta igen sig 14 dar i vatten och sedan behandlas på gammalt beprövat vis med soda och kalk och ytterligare vattenbad för att bli just så fina som kockarna och vi vill ha dem. Det blir för övrigt intet bara lutfisk på julbordet utan också gröt och mandel och mycket annat gott - minst 15 rätter lovar kockarna! Mums.....

# ITSENAISYYSIPAIVA KYPROKSESSA

KYPROKSELLA PALVELEVAVT SUOMALAISET rauhanturvajoukot viettivät itsenäisyyspäivää jo kolmatta kertaa. Ohjelmasta mainittakoon Nikosiassa St. Paulin kirkossa järjestetty jumalanpalvelus ja valvontajoukko-osaston komentajan, eversti O. Nuutilaisen järjestämä juhlavastaanotto. Tavallisesta käytännöstä poiketen vastaanotolla olivat tällä kertaa edustettuina niin päällystön, alipäällystön kuin miehistön kuuluvat.

Virallisen ohjelman lisäksi oli pataljoonan messeihin järjestetty illalla epävirallisia juhlatilaisuuksia.

Jumalanpalvelus St Nikolaksessa.

Itsenäisyyspäivän ohjelma aloitettiin suomalaisen lippuvartion juhlistamalla jumalanpalveluksella Pyhän Paavalin kirkossa Nikosiassa klo 10:30.

Kirkossa pitämässään puheessa eversti Nuutilainen korosti 49 vuotta sitten otetun askeleen merkitystä kansamme tärkeimpien tavoitteiden: vapauden, turvallisuuden ja hyvinvoinnin saavuttamiseksi.

Itsenäisyysjulistusta seuranneen kahden miespolven ajan olemme sitten pystyneet säilyttämään tämän isien perinnön koskemattomana. Tämä on tosin aikaan-

taville suomalaisille sotilaille osoitettamassa saarnassa, vapauden ja riippumattomuuden merkitystä sen inhimillisessä ja uskonnollisessa mielessä.

Komentajan Vastaanotto.

Iltapäivällä oli komentajan virka-asuntoon järjestetty kaksiosainen juhlavastaanotto klo 14 ja 14:45. Joihin kumpaankin oli, tavanomaisesta käytännöstä poiketen, kutsuttu kustakin komppaniasta kolme upseeria, neljä aliupseeria ja seitsemän miehistön kuuluvaa.



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Itsenäisyyspäivän vastaanotolla Nikosiassa olivat tällä kertaa mukana päällystön, alipäällystön ja miehistön edustajat. Kuvassa ev Nuutilainen keskustelussa jääk H Väistön 21 Kitee, ylik J Vaaralan 23, Salla ja jääk M Hotokan 26, Helsinki kanssa.



Rauhanturvajoukkojen lentoliikennettä valvovan toimiston suomalainen jäsen, pirkkalalainen Itn. Jussi Kohvakka lähdessä vastaanottamaan lentokoneita tanskalaisen Vilner Marcususenin ja ruotsalaisen Svante Nyströmin kanssa.



VIIME HETKESSÄ:

## MARTOLA KENRAALILUUTNANTIKSI

AIVAN VIIME HETKELÄ olemme saaneet tietää, että Yhdistyneitten kansakuntien Kyproksen rauhanturvajoukkojen komentaja, kenr.

maj. A.E. Martola on itsenäisyyspäivänä julkaistulla, tasavallan presidentin sotilaskäskyllä ylennetty kenraaliluutnantiksi reservissä.

Ylennyksen tapahtuessa kenraali Martola oli parhaillaan kotimaassa käymässä. Hän palanee saarelle loppuviikolla. Blue Beret yhtyy onnitteleviin.

Postin joulukiiret ovat alkaneet. Kuvassa taitavat postiljoonit Jorma Karhunsuo, 24 Hki ja Esko Malvela 23, Joensuu postipinon keskellä. Itse mestari Mikkonen puolestaan matkusti safarille paineita pakoon.

saatu monastikin suuren pidättyväisyyden ja raskaalta tuntuvien uhrausten ansiosta.

Puolueeton Ulkopoliitiikka.

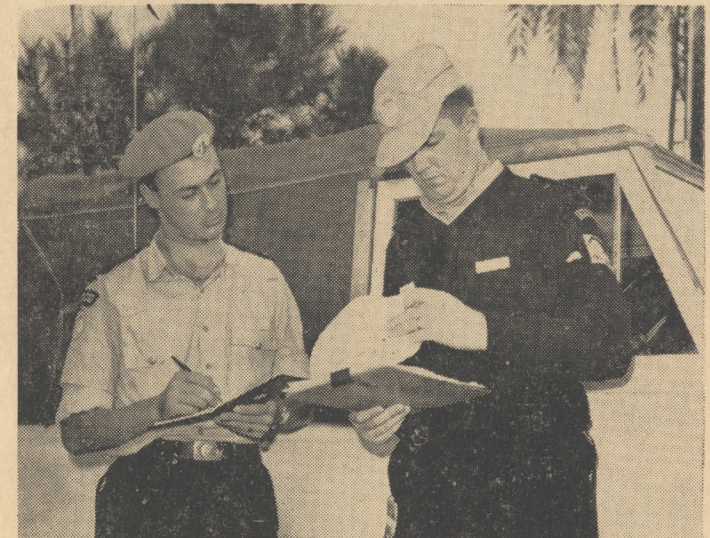
Puheensa lopuksi eversti Nuutilainen totesi suomalaisen puolueettomuuspolitiikan onnistuneen vaikuttamaan ulkopolitiittisen asemmamme sekä saavuttamaan sen ansiosta luottamusta ja arvovallaa kaikkialla maailmassa. Siitä ovat m.m. selvänä todistuksena ne lukuisat rauhanturvaamis- ja asevalvontatehtävät, joita Yhdistyneet Kansakunnat on uskonut suomalaisten sotilaitten suorittavaksi niin Kyproksella kuin muualla maailmassa.

Pataljoonan pastori Enok Reimaa puolestaan painotti vaativaa rauhanturvaamistehtävää suorit-



# KIWI COPPERS

A LOOK AT THE NEW ZEALAND



Constable John Clark (left) from Onehanga, Auckland, is briefed on the day's work by Senior Sergeant Brian Wells, another Aucklander.

## CIVILIAN POLICE CONTINGENT

THE NEW ZEALAND POLICE CONTINGENT, commanded by Superintendent Ken Sykes of Auckland, is based at Limassol with an isolated detachment of four men in the Troodos hills at Mallia. The total strength of the contingent is twenty men, and their duties involve liaison with the local leaders in UNFICYP's Limassol Zone.

Their route home will take them through Britain, America, Hawaii and Fiji.

The normal tour of duty for the New Zealand members of UNFICYP, all of whom volunteered for service with UNFICYP, is of six months, but there are exceptions. Sgt John McDonnell from Auckland and Constable Dick Curry, from Wellington, have been in Cyprus for almost two years.

The Kiwis enjoy their work, but most of them are naturally looking forward to returning home to their wives and families in January next year.



Constable Gary Gibbs, who lives in Napier, in the control room of the Contingent's Limassol headquarters.

## BRITISH CONTINGENT

### NEWS

# UN MEDALS FOR UNFICYP FLIGHT AAC

ON TUESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER, THE ACTING FORCE COMMANDER, Brigadier M.N. Harbottle, OBE, presented medals to members of HQ UNFICYP Flight Army Air Corps.

The Flight was formed on 1 August 66, and took over full responsibility for tasking from its predecessor — 4 Air OP Troop RA — with effect from the 15th of that month. Since then the four Sioux helicopters of the unit have already logged almost 650 flying hours.

A wide variety of support is rendered to the Force Headquarters, and to each of the national contingents serving with UNFICYP. Taking into account the medical and police elements of the Force, the Flight serves units of nine nationalities.

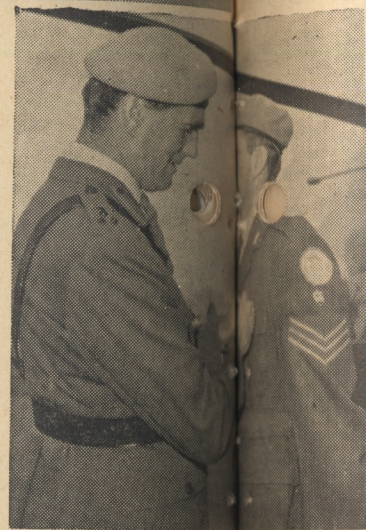
Apart from routine tasks, its helicopters regularly carry the Force Commander and Chief of Staff to various duties. Other VIP passengers have included the Australian Ambassador, the Vice-Chief of the Canadian Defence Staff, and the Commissioner of the New Zealand Police.

HQ UNFICYP Flight, which is commanded by Major David Craig, MBE, GM, from Andover, Hampshire, is made up of five officers and thirteen other ranks. The Flight Commander and the Adjutant — Lieutenant Tony Standen — are serving officers of the Army Air Corps. The other three are — Lieutenant Richard Hawkins, Royal Marines — Lieutenant Fred Perry, 10th Hussars and a Gunner — Captain John McGregor, the Flight second in command. This diversity is equally apparent in the other rank element of the unit, which operates however, none the less smoothly and efficiently.

Most of the present members of the Flight will be returning to their parent units and formations in February next year on completion of their six-month tour with the Force.



Staff - Sergeant John Lever, REME, receives his United Nations medal from the Brigadier.



The Acting Force Commander, M. N. Harbottle, OBE, presented the UN Cyprus service medal to D. Heppner, Own Troop, attached to UNFICYP AAC. At right is P. Mount-ROBERT.

## GROUP SPORT

# HQ DEFEATED IN GAELIC DOULE - HEADER - RAPPAREES WIN AGAIN

THE SECOND LEG OF GAELIC football tournament game between HQ UNFICYP and HQ 7th Inf Group resulted in a win for the Group team by 3 goals 8 points to four points. Outstanding for the Group were Pte Wykes in goal, full back Sgt John Hickey, Cpl Veale centrefield and forward Lt Frank McKeivitt who scored a total of 3-3 for the winners. Cpl Sean Price of the UNFICYP side was the best exponent of the game on view while as usual Frank Evers, Mick Hennessey and George Kelly put in very creditable performances.

\*\*\* The Group Rugby team, the Rapparees, scored another victory against an RAF team

Episkopi — at Episkopi last Saturday by 6 pts to 3. The game was marred by an accident to one of the best RAF players, Mr Gerry Morris, who unfortunately broke his leg.

At Limnitis friendly games were played in soccer and volley-ball. The composite company scored a 2-1 victory in soccer and a 2-1 victory in volley-ball by two games to one over the Cypriots.

Limnitis Basketball team were not so fortunate, however, going down to the more polished HQ representatives by 14-28.

## WRONG END?

When handed his United Nations insignia, recent arrival at Headquarters UNFICYP held up his UN scarf and said, "What are these then, UN puttees?" Someone's got the wrong end!

# RTE TEAM VISIT GROUP

## SECOND VISIT IN TWO MONTHS

THIS WEEK ANOTHER TEAM FROM RADIO TELEFIS Eireann visited the Irish troops in UNFICYP. It is only two months — at the time of the last rotation — that a team was here before, but as they came with the advance party and returned with the homegoing main body it was mainly the 6th Inf Group who were concerned in the film material at that time.

The present team is completely different in personnel from the last and their job was to prepare a programme about the Irish in Cyprus and Jerusalem to be shown on Christmas Day. The team was composed of Odram Walsh, producer, Captan John Skehan



(R.O.), interviewer, Miss Oona Kavanagh, production assistant, Mr Will Warmah, cameraman, and Mr Pat Hayes, sound. The objective — to record the Contingent at work and play — was an ambitious one to tackle in the time (six days) but they managed to fulfil their assignment as fully as was possible.

The team were loud in praise of the cooperation and hospitality they received in each location visited. A special concert was put on at short notice last Wednesday so they could assess the talent on view and it turned out to be a most enjoyable function. Lt. Paddy Murphy's choir singing Christmas carols was filmed next day with some of the other artistes.

Having recorded Christmas messages from the principle political personalities on the island and having filmed some scenic sequences of Cyprus, the team departed for Jerusalem by air last Monday where they will feature the families of Irish Officers serving with UNTSO.

Sgt Billy Ronayne performing at the Unit Concert at Xeros last Wednesday.



The Irish TV team in action. From left Mr Will Warmah (cameraman) Mr Odram Walsh (producer), Miss Oona Kavanagh (production assistant) and Mr Pat Hayes (sound).



Capt John Skehan, interviewer for Irish TV team, chats with Pte Billy Lawlor and Pte Jimmy Cox at Limnitis Camp.



The men of Kato Pyrgos Camp demonstrate their local version of the Irish game of skittles.

# CHRISTMAS FORCE CARDS

It is now only eighteen days to Christmas and the dates for posting to the home countries of various Contingents of the members of the Force are drawing close. Force Christmas cards are still available from UNFICYP Headquarters in Nicosia, both from the Hibbert Houses canteen and, for bulk orders, from Mr T. Mooney in the UN Secretariat offices, telephone HQ UNFICYP ext 316.

The cards, which cost fifty mils each, have, as their motif, the flags of all national Contingents of the Force gathered around the UN Cyprus service medal. Inside, the season's greeting are printed in two colours in the six national languages of the Force — English, Danish, Finnish, German, Irish (Gaelic) and Swedish.

## TELEVISION SATELLITE FIRSTS FOR UN

from front page all European television organizations. The excerpts included both live coverage from the General Assembly Plenary Hall and video-taped coverage of earlier proceedings.

The second transmission was ordered by the BBC to enable its correspondents at UN Headquarters to report, in image and sound, on latest developments in the United Nations. It was also carried by Early Bird Satellite at 1545 hours, New York time.

Finally, at 1700 hours, New York time, the Intelsat II Pacific Satellite linked UN Headquarters with NHK in Tokyo. An NHK team of reporters transmitted to viewers and listeners in Japan their comments on UN developments. In the course of this transmission, remote television cameras, for the first time, projected to Japan a live picture of UN Headquarters. Other cameras inside the building carried the proceedings live in picture and in sound.

(vas) ja uuden nuottopäällikön evi L. Kuosmasen (oik) kanssa.



## DANCON-NYT

I sidste uge præsenterede vi to af de nye kompagnichefer fra DANCON VI. Her bringer vi de to sidste, tv. major Jacobsen fra B-kompagniet, og th. major Gravggaard fra stabskompagniet.

## FN - CHEFEN PAA CYPERN FORFREMME

GENERALMAJOR A. S. MARTOLA, chef for de Forenede Nationers styrke paa Cypern, er paa den finske uafhaengighedsdag — 6 december — udnaevnt til generalloejtnant.



MPKP Peder Nielsen, DRLD, Nr. Uttrup, maaske bedre kendt som Fuffy. Har vaeret paa Cypern siden den 23 februar i aar, og forretter nu tjeneste ved MP-COY/UNFCYP i Wolsley Barracks. Korporalen er uddannet skiltemaler og ses her i faerd med at male et skilt til det canadiske islaet i kompagniet.

## SIDSTE . . . . .

DE AABNE CYPERNMESTERSKABER i badminton blev en stor succes for de danske farver. Vi vandt alt, hvad vi deltog i, idet sergent Petersen fra velfaerdskontoret sammen med konstabel Leif Johansen fra movement control vandt herredouble, medens kon-

stabel Johansen herudover sejrede i saavel herresingle som mixed double. Til lykke. Fignere kan det ikke vaere.

Praemierne er endnu ikke blevet udleveret, men vi vil i naeste uge bringe fotos fra overraakkelsen.

## UNDP ASSISTANCE Totals \$140 Million

\$ QUARTER MILLION EARMARKED FOR CYPRUS

THE THIRTY SEVEN-MEMBER GOVERNING COUNCIL of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has approved a \$140 million programme of technical assistance to developing countries for the two years 1967-1968. The programme calls for technical aid in the form of experts, fellowships and equipment to be provided by the United Nations and ten related agencies to 113 countries, territories and regional projects during the two-year period.

Of the 113 countries and territories included in the two-year programme, 35 are to receive more than one million dollars for technical assistance projects.

In the two-year programme \$264,220 was earmarked for technical assistance for Cyprus connected with fourteen different UN assisted Government projects, some already under way and others new.

Three experts will be provided directly by UN Technical Assistance who will lend their expert advice on dam design and construction, tourist development and economic planning.

Three other experts will be

contributed by the International Labour Office in the field of vocational rehabilitation, vocational hotel training, and conditions of dock-work labour.

The Food and Agriculture Organization will provide four experts — one in veterinary research, another on irrigation engineering and two on fisheries development.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization will contribute with an expert in technical education in 1967, and with an expert in educational planning and administration in 1968.

The International Civil Aviation Organization and the World Health Organization will provide, each, one expert: ICAO, in personnel licensing, and WHO, in nursing.

Finally, a fellowship will be extended by the Universal Postal Union in the field of postal statistics and mobile post operations.

The Administrator of the UNDP, Mr Paul Hoffman, who submitted the programme for the Council's approval, urged that Governments review their present

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# THE PEACE TIME DEFENCE

## FORCE OF

Yesterday, Tuesday December 6th, Finland celebrated her national Independence Day and Defence Forces Day. Members of the Contingent in Cyprus were present at a special service held in St. Nicholas' church and later at a reception given by the Contingent Commander.

Little is know outside Finland of the post-war development of the Defence Forces, so Captain Vieikko Kaukonen, the Contingent AMPIO, has prepared this article for Blue Beret.

## FINLAND

### LAST EIGHTEEN YEARS HAVE SEEN COMPLETE REORGANIZATION

The 1947 Peace Treaty of Paris imposed certain restrictions on Finland's Defence Forces. Their total strength may not exceed 34,000 men in the Army, 4,500 in the Navy and 3,000 in the Air Force. In 1951 a new law concerning military service was enacted by Parliament. The period of compulsory military service was about a year with the exception of officers, non-commissioned officers and specialized personnel. The detailed organization of the Defence Forces was then laid down. The new organization came into force in 1952; all military units received names, some of which carried strong historical connotations; the oldest Finnish regiments fought during the Thirty Years' War in the 17th century.

#### ORGANIZATION

The President of the Republic is Supreme Commander of the Defence Forces. A National Defence Council works in close cooperation with the Cabinet. The administrative leadership of the Defence Forces rests with the Ministry of Defence. The influence of the Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces in purely military matters is considerable as he is directly subordinated to the President of the Republic. The General Headquarters of the Defence Forces is under his direct control. It comprises of the Chief of General Staff, the Chief of Operations, the Inspectors of the different branches, the Chief of Logistics, the Chief of War Economics, and the chiefs of the various sections.

The various military units and institutions are subordinated to General Headquarters in the following way:

**The Army:** 1st Division (Oulu), 2nd Division (Turku), 3rd Division (Kouvola), The Armoured Brigade, Independent units; **The Navy;** **The Air Force. Territorial:** The Territorial Organization; The Military Schools; The Special Institutions; The Depots; The Military Hospitals.

The organization of the Defence Forces has undergone great changes since World War II. The divisions have changed character as they have been reorganized to include all branches of the Army. This development is in accordance with the principle of three-dimensional territorial defence. A peacetime division consists of two brigades, one — three jaeger (light infantry) battalions, one artillery regiment, and a number of coast and anti-aircraft artillery units.

#### BRIGADES REPLACE REGIMENTS

The infantry regiments have

been replaced by brigades of two rifle battalions, a field artillery battalion, an engineer company and a signal company.

During the Second World War the brigade proved to be better adapted to Finnish conditions than the normal infantry regiment. Finally, the new organization gives simple and practical methods of firing, flexible adjustment to the terrain and to changes in the situation, quick concentration and great accuracy.

At the present the Army consists of six brigades, eight jaeger battalions, three artillery regiments, two coast artillery regiments, three coast artillery battalions, one regiment and four battalions of anti-aircraft artillery, and the independent units mentioned above.

In addition to the units belonging to the divisions and brigades there is a Guard Battalion in Helsinki, a Motor Transport Battalion, an Engineer Regiment, a Signal Regiment, and certain other special units.

#### NAVY AND AIR FORCE

The Headquarters of the Navy are at Helsinki. Subordinated to Headquarters are the naval bases of Turku and Obbnas. A rapid modernisation has now taken place and a number of mine layers, mine sweepers, motor gunboats and assault landing craft have been produced and taken into service. The Coast Guard has received new ships and motor launches for surveillance. In 1962 a British frigate was bought

to serve as training ship. In addition, Russian Riga-class frigates have recently been bought.

The Air Force — also with Headquarters in Helsinki — consists of three wings, the Military School of Aviation, an Air Signal Battalion and Air Force Depot. Swedish Saab and French Fouga planes are used for training. Tactical support and air defence is provided by British Gnat fighters and as Russian Mig 21s. The air surveillance radar net, which completely covers Finnish air space, consists of Finnish and British produced radar stations.

#### LOCALLY PRODUCED

##### ARMAMENT

In addition to the reorganization of the Army, a great deal of attention has also been given to the modernisation or armaments. The Finnish armament industry has great traditions. The Finnish rifle m/27, has been a good and extremely accurate infantry weapon. The Finnish-made Suomi sub-machine gun is still effective and well suited to Finnish conditions. Among domestic technical novelties are the new automatic rifle m/62 and the new light machine gun m/62. Both light and heavy mortars have been produced in Finland since before the Second World War. The new Finnish anti-tank weapons, the recoilless rifle m/55 and the recoilless gun m/58, have proved to be extremely accurate and effective. In

## UNDP ASSISTANCE

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FAO irrigation expert Branko Milinusic of Syria (right) discusses irrigation problems with Cypriot farmers.

pledges in an effort to reach in 1967 the \$200 million target set for the UNDP — including both the Technical Assistance and

Special Fund components. He said a total of \$170 million had so far been pledged to the UNDP as a whole for next year.

addition, a number of British Vigilant anti-tank missiles have recently been ordered.

The old supply of tanks, consisting mainly of German Panzer IV and Sturmpanzer III, has been used in training. The armour has acquired British Comet and Charioteer tanks for training as well as Russian T-54s and a number of Russian amphibious tanks.

At the end of W W II the field artillery had a mixed collection of guns. The Finnish armament industries have constructed a 122 millimeter gun (m/60) of fine technical and ballistic properties. In addition, Finland has recently bought heavy guns from the Soviet Union. The signals equipment of the Army has also been thoroughly modernised.

#### TERRITORIAL ORGANIZATION

##### AND SCHOOLS

The territorial organization keeps a file of the conscripts, handles matters concerning mobilization and takes charge of the reserve exercises necessary for certain categories. The country is divided into seven military areas and twenty-seven military districts.

The training of reserve officers takes place during the period of compulsory military service at the Reserve Officers' Schools after which the officer candidate serves some time in the ranks before receiving his promotion to second lieutenant. Active service officers are trained at the Military Academy in Helsinki, at the Naval Academy and at the Military School of Aviation. Applicants to these Academies are required to have passed the Reserve Officers' School. After the course, which lasts two and a half years, the cadets are promoted to first lieutenants.

The corps of non-commissioned officers stems from those recruits of the compulsory military service, under the surveillance of years in the ranks before being posted to the Regular Non-Commissioned Officers' Schools. The curriculum includes general subjects. Active service non-commissioned officers may advance to posts as military technicians and warrant officers.

Scientific military research is concentrated at the Research Centre of the Defence Forces, and at the Institute of Military History, under the surveillance of which the Military Archives, the Military Museum and the Military Library work. The Survey Corps handles all cartographic tasks.



UNFCYP's MP-kompagni har faaet frisket deres skilt op i flotte farver. Her ses en repraesentant for hver af de lande, der indgaar i kompagniet, foran skiltet.

# U THANT TO SERVE SECOND TERM

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parts of the world; and he added that the observations he made then still represented his conviction today.

"My concern for any lack of advance in international cooperation and in making this Organization more truly representative of the state of the world remains", he said. At the same time, referring to a statement issued earlier in the day on the Security Council's behalf by its President, U Thant said he noted with particular appreciation that the Council had respected his position in bringing these issues and developments to the notice of the UN Members. He expressed the hope that these problems would continue to receive close attention.

The Secretary-General went on to observe that the present session of the General Assembly had made some real progress in some respects. He said he had also been encouraged to believe that actions under consideration by some States would greatly alleviate the UN's financial situation in the near future. And from his private consultations, he said, he was also confirmed in his belief that there was a sincere desire to reach agreement on a mutually acceptable basis in regard to the main principles of peace-keeping operations.

Notwithstanding some hopeful signs, U Thant said, it must be recognized that a difficult, indeed crucial, period lay ahead for the world Organization. And yet, though little had happened to brighten the outlook of the months ahead, he declared, "my conviction stands undiminished that the United Nations remains the best instrument by which nations may cooperate for their development and for the peace of their people. My acceptance of an extended mandate today stems out of this deep conviction, as much as out of a sense of duty."

U Thant pledged all his faith and efforts to the "developing of this Organization as an indispensable centre for harmonizing action of the nations in the attainment of common ends, and as an increasingly effective instrument for peace and development."



The Austrian Ambassador to Greece, Doctor Ludwig Steiner, arrived in Nicosia from Athens last Tuesday for a week-long visit to the Austrian Contingent serving with the Force. During his stay, he visited both the Austrian Field Hospital and the Civilian Police Contingent. Pictured above, Dr Steiner, centre, is greeted at the International Airport by Colonel Otto Renth, left, Commanding Officer of the Field Hospital unit and Captain Otto Hoermann, chief of the UNCIVPOL element.

## MOVE TO SEAT PRC IN ASSEMBLY DEFEATED

**A MOVE TO HAVE THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA take over China's seat in the United Nations as the only lawful representative of that country was rejected by the General Assembly last week. The Assembly rejected an Albanian proposal to seat the PRC representatives and to expel the delegation of the Republic of China Government now situated in Taiwan, by a vote of fifty-seven against, forty-six in favour, and seventeen abstentions. The corresponding ballot last year was forty-seven to forty-seven with twenty abstentions.**

Supporters of the move included the Soviet Union and other East European countries, many Afro-Asian nations, and a number of Western countries such as the United Kingdom and France. The majority of the Western and Latin American countries vo-

ted against it along with a substantial number of Afro-Asian States.

Those favouring having the PRC in the UN argued that the present Peking Government had been in unchallenged control of the mainland, with its 700 million inhabitants, since 1949 and that it was difficult, if not impossible, to tackle major international problems such as the peace in Vietnam and disarmament without her presence.

Opponents argued that the Peking Government, by her doctrine and practice of international revolutionary violence, was in defiance of the Charter and had made no secret of her disdain for the United Nations. They also felt that in any event, there could be no justification for expelling the Republic of China delegation.

## BAN USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

**THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S MAIN POLITICAL Committee last week wound up its disarmament debate with the approval of an Ethiopian resolution asking that the World Disarmament Conference give serious consideration to a ban on the use of nuclear weapons, and referring the issue of foreign military bases to the Geneva Disarmament Conference.**

The vote on the Ethiopian proposal was fifty-eight in favour, none against, and twenty-two abstentions; forty-two members were absent.

The resolution drew support largely from Afro-Asian and East European ranks, while Western nations were prominent among abstainers.

Last year, the Assembly endorsed non-aligned proposals for an International Disarmament Conference open to all States, to be held not later than 1967, but preparatory consultations have so far brought no conclusion.

**As to the specific issue of outlawing the use of nuclear weapons, this had been considered in one form or another throughout disarmament negotiations of the past**

## M.O. HITS THE JACKPOT



The day after being awarded the UN Cyprus medal, Major Gilles Morissette, won the Cyprus lottery top prize of £4,000 — about \$12,640 Canadian. "I felt as if someone had hit me over the head with a hammer" was the first reaction of the Senior Medical Officer of the Canadian Contingent. This is the first time a soldier serving with the UN Force has won the big stake. The lucky ticket cost 150 mils, about 45 cents Canadian.

## STOP PRESS RHODESIA

Monday evening the U.K. asked for early meeting of Security Council to consider "certain additional measures" against rebel white minority regime in Rhodesia. Request followed Salisbury's rejection of final plan to end year-old rebellion and move towards majority rule.

In recent U.N. debate, U.K. said that, with support of Commonwealth members, she would ask Council to make certain economic sanctions against Smith regime mandatory if constitutional rule were not restored before end of year.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Following is the text of a telegram sent to the Force Commander Lt. Gen. A.E. Martola, at present on leave in his home country, Finland, by the Acting Force Commander, Brigadier M.N. Harbottle, OBE, and the Senior Political Adviser to the Force, Dr Remy Gorgé, on the announcement of General Martola's promotion: "Sincere congratulations on your richly deserved promotion from all members of UNFICYP."

## twenty years.

The United States and other Western powers have long held that a nuclear ban, in isolation, would prove totally ineffective and that in any event atomic weapons were an important and legitimate component of their defence and deterrent arrangements.

The Soviet Union has argued the opposite case, contending that the ban would be a useful measure in itself and also would facilitate further disarmament steps.