MEDIATOR BACK - STARTS NEW ROUND OF DISCUSSIONS

The United Nations Mediator for Cyprus, Mr. Golo Plaza, arrived in Nicosia on Thursday, 11 February, from New York to start a new round of talks in connection with his mandate.

Mr. Plaza was met at the airport by the Foreign Minister of Cyprus, the Ambassadors from Greece and France, the Charge d’Affaires from Turkey, the United Nations Force Commander in Cyprus and other UNIFCYP officials.

Speaking with reporters at the airport, Mr. Plaza said he had delayed submitting his report to the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, because he had thought it necessary to listen to the voice of the General Assembly before proceeding ahead with his task. But, he added, now that consideration of the question of Cyprus had been set back, he had returned to Nicosia to continue with his mediation activities.

Mr. Plaza said his “tentative” plans at present were to confer here with President Makarios, Vice President Kuchuk and other Government officials, then proceed to Athens, return to Nicosia again, and then visit Ankara, London and continue on to New York with the hope to submit his report to the Secretary-General. He stressed plans were tentative and would be “flexible” to any change of circumstances.

In reply to questions, Mr. Plaza said he would explore “every possible line that I think might lead to a solution” negotiated, as his mandate states, between all parties concerned - the Cyprus Government, Turkey, Greece, the United Kingdom and the Turkish Cypriot community.

“I will explore every possibility, listen to the views of everyone, look at matters as they stand today, and when I have all the elements which I hope I will be

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NEW ASSEMBLY ACTION - RECESS EXPECTED SOON

The U.N. General Assembly last week approved a one-year extension of the Palestine refugee agency and disposed of several other matters placed before it by the President of the Assembly, Mr. Alex Quaison-Sackey, and the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, in expectation of a recess soon.

The Assembly also heard expressions of deep concern about the constitutional - financial crisis which has prevented the normal functioning of the Assembly, and which is to be subjected to intensive negotiations during the prospective adjournment.

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Lecturer says Unity of mankind is supreme truth

In a lecture given last week at United Nations Headquarters in New York in connection with the observance of International Cooperation Year, a former member of the Pakistan Cabinet, Mr. A. K. Brohi, said that the peoples of the United Nations must be made meaningfully aware of the supreme truth that all mankind is one.

Declaring that the search for peace based on “compromise” and “expedience” was no substitute for an approach based on this truth, Mr. Brohi said no nation could enjoy the gift of peace which had not been won and maintained in the name of all humanity.

Another lecture in the series, was also given last week by the Vice-President of the Soviet Academy of Sciences, Mr. M. D. Millionshchikov, who said world science and international scientific and technological cooperation had an important role to play in the solution of mankind’s major problems.

He listed these as the thermo - nuclear threat, colonialism and racism, poverty, hunger, disease, illiteracy, and the barriers to international trade and to economic and scientific cooperation.

Mr. Millionshchikov said the time had come to enhance the role of reason in achieving peaceful coexistence “in today’s world of various social systems”.

Wednesday, 17th February, 1965
URHEILU - UUTISSA

Kuukausia urheilun jälkeen ovat nähtävissä saatavan ajan.

"DAILY MIRROR" CROSSWORD.

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FINNISH SOLDIER WOUNDED

A Finnish Soldier of UNFICYP was wounded in the northern city of Zaitunay Bay on Monday. An UNFICYP
statement issued the following day.

"At 08:00 hours this morning a soldier of the Finnish battalion, who was on guard duty, was shot in the shoulder by a member of the local population. The injured Finnish soldier lost a substantial amount of blood.

The soldier is in the Field Hospital in the city of Zaitunay Bay. His condition is not serious. The soldier’s name and the circumstances surrounding the incident will be released later."
Field Hospital is a vital UNFICYP unit

The Field Hospital, one of the most vital units with the UN in Cyprus, is situated on the outskirts of Nicosia. Here Lt Col Brian Walsham, and his staff of 80 are constantly at work catering for the physical welfare of not only the troops and civilian staff of UNFICYP but also men from the US Force in Greece.

Since the hospital was opened in mid-1964 it has dealt with some 596 patients, 629 outpatients and the attached dental unit has treated almost 500 patients. During last month alone there have been 66 patients hospitalised and 225 outpatients. All this means that the hospital staff have little time for leisure or relaxation. They work a six-day week, and call for 42 hours a week for four days and from 9am to 9pm the other two. The hospital is equipped to deal with any emergency, and has a helicopter landing strip and a fleet of ambulances.

The biggest problem is that of food. With patients of many different nationalities, it is sometimes difficult to prepare meals to suit individual tastes. Lt Col Walsham says that while every consideration is taken, patients must remember that the unit is, as its title states, a Field Hospital.

Above left: The Chief of Staff about to begin the bugle call for 6 Flight to march out from left.

3 Flight hold a farewell parade

 Brigadier A.J. Wilson, MBE, MC, presented Obersehr Wilmot to the men of 3 Dragon Guards at the farewell parade of 3 Flight, AAC at Nicosia last week. Above right: The Bishop presents Obersehr Wilmot to the men of 3rd Dragon Guards Major.

PhotoneWS

This week PhoteoneWS covered a wide variety of events in UNFICYP, ranging from a visit by the UNFICYP headquarters to the UNFICYP headquarters. Pictures by Cpl Paul Moore.

Armoured Exercise in Troodos Area

Armoured elements of the Irish and the armoured troop of the British 4th Light Dragoons Contingent of UNFICYP have been busy throughout the area. Above right: Troops of the 4th Light Dragoons Contingent at UNFICYP. Pictures by Cpl Paul Moore. Below right: Troops of the 4th Light Dragoons Contingent at UNFICYP.

CSE show at Ledra Palace

Troops from all contingents of UNFICYP gathered at the Ledra Palace Hotel last Wednesday for one of the best CSE shows yet seen in the area. Pictures by Cpl Paul Moore. Above left: The winner of the CSE show competition, Bob Percival of the 4th Light Dragoons Contingent. Above right: Capt Dawson, the second in command of the 1st element, Maj Hardworth, OC of the 4th Light Dragoons Contingent, 'pulled off' at the side of the 4th Light Dragoons Contingent command car.
NEWS FROM STRATHCONA RANCH

We must apologize for the dearth of our column at this time. The last two editions of the "Blue Beret" were not very popular, nor was the news it was intended to deliver. The present edition is far from being a masterpiece, but we hope it will be of some interest to our readers.

Strathcona Ranch

We have had a change of personnel since our last news entry, but as the column is to be continued, we shall make the best of the opportunity to publish a shorter edition.

1 INF GROUP

It has been inspection week, with the commander of 1 Inf Group, Lt. Col. D. M. S. Thomas, inspecting the regiment. The inspection was held in the Drill Hall, and many of the personnel were present.

More details of the parade and further news of the unit will be available in next week's edition.

Galo Plaza

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Galo Plaza

Galo Plaza, a popular spot for officers on duty nearby, is a hub of activity. It's a place where officers relax after a long day of work.

Strathcona Ranch

The weather has been beautiful, and the ranch has been bustling with activity. We are looking forward to more of the same in the coming weeks.

BRITISH SOLDIER FOUND DEAD

A soldier serving with the Cheshire Regiment at Pulemuk was found dead today, according to a report from a soldier friendly with the unit. The soldier was last seen alive yesterday evening.

The soldier had been missing for several days, and his family is now coordinating efforts to locate him.

The Cheshire Regiment

The Cheshire Regiment is one of the elite British Army units, known for their courage and skill.

The Blue Beret

The Blue Beret is the official publication of the British Army, providing news and updates on the latest developments.

British Contingent News

The 1st Battalion The Cheshire Regiment"
VIET-NAM SITUATION FOLLOWED CLOSER AT UN HEADQUARTERS

The developments in Viet-Nam were followed closely at United Nations Headquarters during the past week. The North Viet-Nam was a justified measure of self-defense against aggression. A Soviet letter to the Security Council said that the U.S.S.R. was in full agreement with the Viet-Nam friends and allies, would be compelled to take further steps towards their self-defense and strengthen the defense capability of the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam in view of United Nations demands.

In his letter to the Security Council, Ambassador Adalai Stevenson, Permanent Representative of the U.S. to the United Nations, said the air raid on Dong Hoi was a defensive action in response to Viet Cong attacks in South Viet-Nam which, by scope and timing, were designed for broader effect in the field of international politics, and to test the will of the Republic of Viet-Nam and the United Nations.

Mr. Stevenson said Dong Hoi was one of the major strategic centers for infiltration of armed enemy forces from North Vietnamese troops into South Viet-Nam in violation of international agreements of Geneva and the Geneva accords of 1954. He said that the U.S. objective in Viet-Nam was a peaceful settlement, and Stevenson said this would require both self-restraint on the part of the Northern regime, and the presence of effective United Nations peacekeeping machinery and make sure the promises are kept.

The Soviet statement, transmitted to the Security Council by Ambassador Nikolai Fedorenko, permanent representative to the United Nations, described the air raid as piratical raids and said the United States was trying to create at least a semblance of a pretext for new acts of armed aggression against the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam. The U.S.S.R. asked who gave the United States the right to retaliate for action of the "South Viet- nnamese patriots" engaged in a "liberation struggle" by bombing the territory on the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam.

Another letter to the Security Council came from the Permanent Delegate of the Republic of Viet-Nam at the United Nations, Ambassador Tran Trong-Duc, who protested against the reference to his country as United States occupied South Viet-Nam. He condemned the Soviet statement as fallacious and grossly abusive.

Meanwhile, the United Nations Secretary-General U Thant, was studying Vietnamese developments very closely. The current Security Council President, Ambassador Roger Seydoux of France, conferred with U Thant last Thursday afternoon at the latter's request and told newsmen afterwards that the topic was the Vietnamese situation.

U Thant appeals for "utmost restraint"

The United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, last week urged all parties concerned "to refrain from any new acts which may lead to an escalation of the present conflict" in Viet-Nam. He warned that such a situation, "if it should once get out of control, would obviously pose the greatest threat to the peace of the world."

Appealing for the "utmost restraint" in both words and deeds, U Thant declared he felt very strongly that means "must be found, and found urgently, within or outside the United Nations, of shifting the quest for solution away from the field of battle to the conference table."

Herewith is the text of the Secretary-General's statement issued at United Nations Headquarters on Friday.

"I am greatly disturbed by recent events in Southeast Asia, and particularly by the seriously deteriorating situation in Viet-Nam. My frankness, is in regard to the dangerous possibilities of escalation because such a situation, if it should again break out of control, would obviously pose the gravest threat to the peace of the world."

"I have stated my views on this problem many times before. Only last year, when I was interviewed in Paris in July, I said the same methods have failed to find a solution of the Southeast Asian problem for the last ten years and I do not believe the same methods will bring about a peaceful settlement of the problem."

"It has always maintained that only political and diplomatic methods of negotiation and discussion may find a peaceful solution."

"I have suggested some time ago, that a return to the conference table may produce some results. That is true in effect, that a revival of the Geneva Conference may perhaps achieve some results."

"I have convinced of this because of the very critical situation in Viet-Nam."

"I am conscious of course of my responsibilities under Article 99 of the Charter."

The Guard of Honour, drawn from the 1st Battalion, The Canadian Guards, present arms as new flag is raised for the first time in Cyprus.

NEW CANADIAN FLAG UNFURLED IN CEREMONY AT TROODOS ROAD CAMP

At twelve noon on Monday the new maple leaf flag of Canada was proclaimed and raised for the first time at Troodos Road Camp in the presence of members of the Canadian Contingent of UNFICYP and other Cypriot. The new flag was raised dians living on the island, simultaneously elsewhere on the island with similar ceremony.

The flag which was approved by the Canadian Parliament in December 1964 by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Canada, is red in colour with a white square the width of the flag in the middle; centred on the white area is a stylized eleven point red maple leaf.

The maple leaf, the central design of the flag, has long been emblematic of Canada. It has been used as a symbol as early as the eighteenth century and has progressively acquired official status by its inclusion in provincial and federal coats of arms. The colours red and white have long been associated with Canada and were proclaimed Canadian colours by King George V in 1921.

The new flag was raised in the presence of Mr. Arthur Andrew, the High Commissioner for Canada. The First Battalion, The Canadian Guards, provided a 50 man Guard of Honour under Captain G.R. Cheriton.