SWEDISH C-in-C visited UNFICYP

The Commander-in-Chief of the Swedish Armed Forces General E Synnergren visited the Force from 7th to 9th April. During his visit he not only went round all the Swedish Contingent’s camps and OPs, he also found time to make a brief trip to Sector One.

At the beginning of his visit, the General came to the Force Headquarters where he was received by a Guard of Honour before meeting the Force Commander and being briefed by the Chief of Staff. On his way into the Headquarters he was introduced to the senior staff officers, and was pictured shaking hands with Lieutenant Colonel Hare, the CPLO.

NEW UNHCR CHIEF AT HQ

Last week the Force Commander received a visit from the Head of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees’ mission in Cyprus Mr R Kohart and Mr Zur Ligge, who was visiting Cyprus from Italy.
SHOOTING COMPETITION WINNERS

DANCON NEWS

Rifle: Privates J Sørensen, J Jensen and M A Cools.
Submachinigun: MP Søren W Hersgen and Staff Sergeant P E Jensen and S T Jensen.
Pistol: Major O L Kandsborg and MP Sergeant H G Larsen and T Kommengaard.

RECCE VISIT  RELAY RUNNERS

The next Danccon Commanding Officer, Lt Col W P Elsberg (right), has made a short visit to the Contingent before he takes over from Lt Col C B Brockmeyer at the end of May. At Viking Camp, Xeros, the Colonel was shown around by Captain E Lekandowski, and is here pictured being briefed by the Workshop Officer, Lt B K Larsen.

LIFE IN AN OP

The Supreme Commander of the Swedish Armed Forces, General Stig Sjögren, recently visited Sector 5 on a tour of Cyprus and the Middle East.

The General, who is retiring this autumn after more than 40 years in the Army and the past eight as Supreme Commander, went round the Sector during his three day visit, in the pictures above he is seen inspecting some of the men from 1 Company in Larnaca.

SUPREME COMMANDER VISITS SWEDES

The General received a presentation from Andy Cummins on behalf of the WOs and Sergeants Mess.

He was briefed about the situation in Sector 5 by Captain Ulf Wall and Lt Rolf Laggar.

Medical Officer Palle Hervius, had no patients to show, in the kitchen one of the cooks, Hans Lindstrom showed how to cook for some 200 people.

Private B J Poulsen (left) and Major A J Carlsen showing keen interest in the final result. They were seen watching the runners arrive at the finish.

Privates A O Jensen (G Coy) and K S Marcussen (B Coy) both skilful orienteers and fast runners, are here pictured handing over while participating in one of the Danccon teams, the baton of which was placed number five.

Cpl B Koch and his OP men, Pte A O Jensen, J U Christofersen and (in the tower) Pte B F Mörström. Corporal Koch has been with Danccon for nearly two years and is leaving next month, but the others in his OP will be staying for another six months.

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PART EXCHANGE!

As part of the continual process of maintaining good relationships within the Force, the Austrian and British Contingents recently arranged the temporary exchange of a small party of soldiers. The Austrian party are pictured with some of their hosts from Sector 2.

PRESENTATION IN SGTS' MESS

On Tuesday 4th April, the Commander BRITCON, Brigadier H M Tillottson CB presented Long Service and Good Conduct Medals to WO1 Weston, ASM UNICYP Workshop, and WO2 Walton, UNICYP Support Regiment Pay Office. The medal is awarded for eighteen years exemplary service.

FAREWELL VISITS BY CBF

Commander of the British Forces on Cyprus, Air Vice Marshal R G Austin-Smith CB, DFC is shown arriving for his farewell visit to 64 Sqn RAF. The visit was made in his capacity as Air Officer Commanding, Cyprus.

EXCHANGE IN SECTOR 6


One of the ways to improve knowledge and understanding between the Contingents is to exchange small parties of soldiers. Two weeks ago Lt Col Oberwinkler, the CO of Sector 6, was pictured welcoming some members of the British Contingent, who had come to Sektor 6 to learn more about the Sector and to get to know the Austrian soldiers. At the same time a party of Austrian soldiers visited Sektor 2.

Einen erheblichen Anteil an der Arbeit des Kontingents leisten die Angehörigen der Economia Branch. Zu ihren Aufgaben gehört auch die Verteilung der Hilfsgüter an die im Karpas verbliebenen Griechen. Im Bild verliest gerade ein Konvoi das Camp Duka Leopold V.

A considerable part of the work of the Contingent is done by members of the Economia Branch. One of the tasks they carry out is the distribution of essential supplies to the Greek Cypriots in the Karpas. Recently a convoy was pictured as it left Camp Duka Leopold V on its way there.

Medical Officer

At Work

In the Medical Centre Hptm A Dr. E. Rethe with his medical assistants is responsible not only for the health of the soldiers, but also of their families.
CHANGE OF COMMAND IN SECTOR 4

The ceremony itself was a parade on the car-park of the Ledra Palace Hotel, on which Colonel G V Carlson CD took the salute, and witnessed the signing of the handover certificates. The parade itself was formed of one platoon and the Colour Party from each Battalion. After Colonel Carlson had inspected the platoons, the 2 RCR colour was marched off parade. The two Commanding Officers signed the Change of Command Certificates, and then the PPCLI colours were marched onto the parade and Lieutenant Colonel McKenzie's flag was raised.

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D D/P"S
This lacunary entry in the daily log at Sector 4's Headquarters in Whiteley Barracks marked the handover of responsibility from 2 RCR to 1 PPCLI.

Some eight weeks ago the Operations Officer in the Headquarters changed over. Major A. W. Connell CD, pictured above in the briefing room, has now settled into the post vacated by Major C G. Owen CD, who has returned to Canada and retirement.

1 PPCLI FLAG RAISED AT LEDRA

1 PPCLI's flag was raised.

In a short speech Colonel Carlson praised the departing members of 2nd Battalion The Royal Canadian Regiment for having done a good job during their six month tour.

BLUE BERET'S ASSISTANT EDITOR RETIRES

WO Johnson, the Assistant Editor of the Blue Beret for the past six months, has left the job to return to Canada at the end of his tour. He was pictured by the Force (and Blue Beret) Photographer working on the 'last edition of the paper.'
THEY'RE OFF!

The six monthly orienteering competition took place ten days ago. The event was very well organised by the Swedish Contingent, and took place, as is normal, in the Cape Greco area.

This time three events took place simultaneously over distances of 5,000m, 5,600m, and 8,000m in very fast times.

The winners were:

5600  Sgt Karleson
5800  Sgt Erikson
6000  Sgt Westlund.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

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Lesson for the month
ROAD SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU.

At the end of the competition the Deputy Chief of Staff, Col Ourin, presented prizes to the winners at the Fig Tree Bay Restaurant.