Happy UN Day!

The Blue Beret
October 2007
Møller stresses Flexibility of 8 July Process at UN Day Event

The world we live in today is more complex and more inter-dependent than that of 1945; but the promise and values of those early years in the UN’s history remain as relevant as they were over 60 years ago. The SG, Møller pointed out, says the UN must rise and thrive in an environment of global challenges, challenges that do not respect borders, and which no country, rich or poor, weak or powerful, can resolve on its own.

In his UN Day message, Ban Ki-moon said more people and Governments understand that multi-lateralism is the only path in an interdependent and globalizing world. Global problems demand global solutions. Going it alone is not a viable option.

Demands on the UN grow every day and, together with member states and civil society, we must strengthen the organisation’s ability to play its role to the fullest extent in conflict prevention, peace-making, peacekeeping and peace-building.

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Security, development and human rights are three main pillars of the UN’s work. The SG says he will work with Member States and civil society to translate the concept of the Responsibility to Protect from words to deeds, so as to ensure timely action when populations face genocide, ethnic cleansing or crimes against humanity.

Finally, the SG’s message speaks of the need to transform the UN itself so that it can adapt in order to meet new challenges, to ensure the highest standards of ethics, integrity and accountability. The UN, he notes, will be judged in the future on the actions we take today – on results. On this UN Day, the Chief of Mission noted, the SG has urged us to rededicate ourselves to achieving those goals, a message we should all take to heart.

Looking to the UNFICYP inter-communal survey conducted earlier this year, Mr. Møller observed how it showed some disillusionment about prospects for an early Cyprus settlement, underscoring the vital need to promote and encourage dialogue, debate and discussion between and among the island’s communities on all the issues pertinent to the island’s future.

The survey showed that a large majority in each community is willing to accept a federal settlement, but it also showed that misperceptions and misgivings exist within each community about the other’s real intentions and/or preferences. Any attempt to reach an agreed federal settlement has to overcome this lack of trust and scepticism about prospects for a settlement, he said.

On 5 September, the leaders, H.E. Tassos Paphdopoulos and H.E. Mehmet Ali Talat, pledged their continuing commitment to bi-communal dialogue and called for the earliest possible conclusion of the 8 July process with the SG, who urged both to show the political will and strength to move the vital process of reconciliation ahead.

“It is our firm conviction that the 8 July process is flexible and viable enough to accommodate the respective concerns and needs while enabling the long awaited, long elusive goal of re-uniting this beautiful island,” SRSG Møller said.

He appealed to all Cypriots to look to the future and think constructively and imaginatively about the shape of things to come, noting that an active and involved civil society is crucial to how that future is shaped.

“Let me repeat what I said earlier this year: Understanding and peace is best achieved by those who already know each other – it is seldom sustainable if imposed by outsiders. Clearly, as I have also said on earlier occasions, it is for the people of Cyprus to find a Cypriot solution to what is a Cypriot problem. The time is more than ripe for that to happen.

“We, the United Nations and the international community, are steadfast in our determination to help Cyprus move forward. Let us do so together – expeditiously and with determination.”

Ledra Palace
Upgrades
Moving Ahead

Ledra Palace Hotel is currently undergoing major refurbishments to improve the health and safety standards of Sector 2.

The work scheduled to be completed by 31 December 2009 involves repairing the roof, the internal refurbishment of rooms on four floors as well as replacement and repair of wooden frames, doors and tiles, patching up of holes in the ceilings and replacing carpets with plastic flooring. The building will also be painted inside.

Balconies, parapets and insulations externally will be refurbished and repaired.

To date, major refurbishments have been conducted on the ground floor with the completion of the bi-communal rooms, UNPOL station, main kitchen, officers’, sgt’s and junior ranks’ messes and the gym.

Significant progress has also been made with respect to the electrical system. The main power supply cables have been replaced and the electrical rewiring is now 85% completed. This task is on track for completion in December 2007. Works have also been finalised on the repair of balconies, while repair works on the parapets are currently underway.

At present, the main effort is the refurbishment of a previously condemned wing on the second floor to bring 12 rooms back into use – this will facilitate the emptying of the entire fourth floor to allow works to begin on the roof. This apparently simple task proved to be very problematic, and necessitated the retiling of the whole room.

Cyprus government efforts have been complemented by UNFICYP projects, principally the installation of a new fire alarm system throughout the hotel and the provision of air conditioning on the ground floor.

There is no doubt that a lot of work is still needed to bring the health and safety of Ledra Palace Hotel up to modern standards, particularly with respect to the sewerage system/en-suite and bedrooms, but noteworthy progress has been made.

Talat meets SG in NY

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon met with H.E. Mr. Mehmet Ali Talat, the Turkish Cypriot leader, on 16 October at UN headquarters in NY. They discussed the way forward on the Cyprus problem, including implementation of the 8 July 2006 Agreement and confidence-building measures.

Mr. Talat reassured the Secretary-General of the willingness of the Turkish Cypriot side to reach a comprehensive settlement under the Secretary-General’s good offices.

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Of the 20 teams, only one woman entered for her section – Dima Abdul, playing for Civil Affairs. The team was knocked out in the first round by Sector 1’s “UNPOL Warrior”. However, it was a good match played fairly and squarely.

Spirits were running high throughout, with only a few yellow cards handed out (no red cards luckily!). Not bad for a 26-game tournament which started at 12.00 noon and ended just before 5.00 p.m.

Congratulations to the UN Day 2007 Football Championship Winners, 10 Regt A (Sector 2). The team fought to the very end against the very tough and strategic Slovak “Young Guns”, who came close to grabbing victory. The Slovaks’ smooth passing and great determination was rewarded with an early goal in the first half. 10 Regt A (Sector 2) equalized late in the second half with a superb strike, after mounting pressure to make it 1:1.

The game was a heated affair. The finalists played 10 minutes each way and a great number of spectators nervously cheering on both sides. As legs tired, the game moved into extra time. Another energy-sapping five minutes each way and eventually, it came down to penalties with 10 Regt A emerging as 4:3 winners to lift the hard won trophy. Gold and silver medals were presented to the winners and runners-up by Spokesman Brian Kelly and by Rick, followed by a champagne celebration.

Special praise must also go to ALL participants, regardless of their placing. It was a great display, played in good spirit. Rick says, “That is what makes a competition so successful. For me, there is no ‘player-of-the-day’, as I sincerely believe everyone played with their heart in the right place and to the best of their ability, thus making them all special winners”.

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**UN Staff Day** is a long-standing tradition associated with the UN birthday celebrations. Last year, the Chief of Mission introduced UNFICYP staff to the concept. This year’s mix of al fresco lunch and open-air family events, ranging from sports and music to board games and tests of skill and strength, was a big hit all round.
Although the Game Fund has made progress in halting this illegal activity over the last five years, there are still those who continue to set trap birds for their own consumption and sale to taverns (sell them to clients illegally). Kassinis notes that cooperation with UNFICYP is important because the more sophisticated trap birds who continue to set up illegal traps are doing so at a more intensive rate in the buffer zone because they feel they will not get caught or, if they are, the penalties will be too low. They will be able to set the traps out of the BZ and their equipment confiscated.

This, however, is not the case, as UNFICYP is cooperating with both the bird wardens and the police who then proceed with prosecuting the offenders. Traditionally, bird trapping in Cyprus was carried out by trapdoors driving the birds towards lime sticks and nets in the west in early morning by shouting and throwing stones into the bushes to flush the birds out. In recent years, a new and more lethal method has been used which involves the use of recorded birdsong to attract the migrant birds to their ‘most’ nets, so-called because their very fine mesh makes them difficult to discern. The use of such recordings is illegal but has become increasingly widespread. The birds are usually killed, the exception being any particularly exotic species which may get caught alive for caged bird trade. Unwanted species are simply killed and discarded, the remainder killed and sold as ‘ambelloupolia’, a highly prized delicacy on the island. Ambelloupolia is sold to European and Warblers and European Robins. The trapping is also facilitated by UNFICYP on the ground trips where the peacekeepers scope the area before the scientists start their work.

UNPOL Joins Hunt for Bird Trappers

Jarraud notes that the moufflon has flagged the problem of illegal incursions by shepherds with their sheep. Sometimes, their flocks carry disease that the moufflon are susceptible to. In the Kaimakli area, a large number of stone curlews has been spotted, reportedly a rare resident of the area during the migratory season outside the BZ. The project ornithologists believe that the large number of birds spotted concentrated in the Kaimakli area may suggest it is a breeding ground for stone curlews, should they be confirmed, this will be a significant find.

Another area is the Astronomer’s area between the check-points on land belonging to the Morphos Bishopric. UNFICYP’s Camp San Martin is the starting point to head towards the abandoned village of Varisha, an ideal site for spotting moufflon. Nearby, at the Limmitsi liver, eagles have been spotted. Jarraud notes that the possible sighting of a Bonelli’s Eagle in this area would be a major discovery as these eagles are an endangered species. There are about 800-1,000 pairs in Europe as a whole. The Bonelli’s Eagle is a rare migrant which has been spotted more than 30 pairs on the island today.

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UNDP Film Festival for Young Cypriots’ Movies

Six young Cypriots were recognized for their contribution to advancing the social discourse on the island through film the weekend of 27 October. The accolades came at the premiere screening of 13 short films, produced as part of the Young Filmmakers project, organized by UNDP’s peacebuilding initiative in Cyprus, Action for Cooperation and Trust.

Prizes were presented at the film festival to those top films:

First prize – “Shushu” by Diomedes Koufetos
Second prize – “Happy End” by Safak Güzeldil, Filiz Bilen and Buğra Gülsoy
Third prize – “Utopia” by Georgios Georgiou

A participation award was given by the Executive Producers to Filiz Bilen for her commitment during the project. The films were watched by an audience of 400 people at Ledra Palace. The event marked the culmination of nine months of hard work by young people from across the island, who were selected as finalists in the Young Film Makers project. Launched in January 2007, the project invited young people to share their ideas for films which they felt would reflect the concerns of Cypriot youth. A selection panel, made up of Cypriot educators and film critics chose the best ideas to be entered for the next phase of the project. Many of those selected had no previous film making experience, and in March 2007 the selected finalists started an orientation course on film production. Over the next five months these young Greek Cypriots and Turkish Cypriots worked together to develop their scripts and turn them into a series of short films. The project gave an opportunity for artistic expression, encouraged collaboration and intercommunal understanding and explored the dynamics of contemporary Cypriot society from a youth perspective.

According to Jaco Cilliers, UNDP-Act Programme Manager: “This is truly a Cypriot venture – Cypriots selected the best film ideas, Cypriots worked together to create these high quality, thought-provoking productions and Cypriots selected the best films”.

The jury which decided the three winners comprised the accomplished Cypriot film makers, Dervis Zaim, Diomedes Nkidas, Ewan Levent and Aliki Daneli Knutsen.

The films shown covered a variety of themes which reflect the realities of the modern world and to which many people in Cyprus will be able to relate: Identity, returning home, friendship, death, chronic illness, conflict, disabilities, ethnic diversity and spirituality. Many of these films are courageous attempts by young Cypriots to carve out a youth voice on the pressing and important issues of the day.

Further information about the films and the filmmakers is available at www.undp-act.org.

Sector 2 – 10 Transport Regiment – The Queen’s Own Gurkha Logistic Regiment

10 Transport Regiment was originally formed in 1952 to provide third line transport to 1 (BR) Corps in West Germany, a role it filled for 41 years, at one stage as the largest Regiment in the British Army. In September 1993, the Regiment redeployed to Colchester from Caterick Barracks as a third line transport regiment under command of the Combat Service Support Group (United Kingdom), the precursor to 101 Logistic Brigade. This is when the Queen’s Own Gurkha Logistic Regiment was formed in Malta on 1st July 1958 as the Gurkha Army Service Corps. It was manned by Gurkha soldiers from the infantry battalions of the Brigade of Gurkhas, and British Officers and Senior Ranks seconded from the Royal Army Service Corps.

The Regiment provided transport support in Malaya, Singapore and Hong Kong but also saw active service throughout the world including the 1958 Malayan Emergency, the 1962 Brunei Revoit and the 1963-67 Borneo/Indonesia conflict. On 1 November 1965, the Gurkha Army Service Corps was redesignated the Gurkha Transport Regiment (GTR). Then based in Hong Kong, the GTR also deployed elements to support the UN Military Armistice Commission on ceremonial duties at Panmunjom, South Korea.

In December 1990, 28 Squadron GTR deployed on Operation GRANBY in the first Gulf War as the Ambulance Squadron. A Squadron deployed to serve with UNFICYP in June 1991. In August 1992, the Regiment was awarded the prefix “Queen’s Own” to commemorate and reward 34 years’ loyal and dedicated service to the Crown.

In September 1993, 28 Squadron GQGR redeployed from Hong Kong to Colchester as part of 10 Transport Regiment RLC and subsequently deployed to the Former Republic of Yugoslavia on three occasions in support of UN and NATO mandates. In 2002, in recognition of the diversification of Gurkha soldier trades, the Regiment was redesignated the Queen’s Own Gurkha Logistic Regiment. In 2003, 10 Transport Regiment settled in its current home at New Normandy Barracks, Aldershot.

In July 2005, the Queen’s Own Gurkha Logistic Regiment expanded further with the redesignation of 1 Engineer Support & Water Squadron RLC to 1 Transport Squadron QOGLR.

On 12 May 2006, 10 Transport Regiment RLC was redesignated 10 Transport Regiment The Queen’s Own Gurkha Logistic Regiment (QOGLR), a significant day in the history of an extremely proud Regiment. The Regiment and its Squadrons have deployed on numerous operations in Kuwait, Cyprus, Bosnia, Kosovo and more recently Iraq. Today, 10 Transport Regiment QOGLR has a rich heritage deriving directly from the post Second World War Royal Army Service Corps and The Gurkha Army Service Corps, via 10 Transport Regiment and the Gurkha Transport Regiment.

10 Transport Regiment QOGLR is officially the only Gurkha transport regiment in the British Army. The Regiment, nonetheless, embodies soldiers from 16 different nationalities, making 10 Transport Regiment QOGLR one of the most diverse and unique regiments in the British Army. Operation TOGCA in Cyprus is the second operational commitment the Regiment has been involved in the past 12 months. Prior to this, two of the Squadrons from the Regiment deployed to Iraq on Operation TELIC 9 and returned in June 2007. The Regiment looks forward to a successful UN tour here in Cyprus.

For World Food Day: 16 October 2007

The right to food is a human right. Yet 854 million people in the world suffer from chronic hunger, and the figure has been increasing since the beginning of the new Millennium. In a world of plenty, this situation is unacceptable.

That is why the Right to Food was chosen as the theme for this year’s World Food Day. We must make the voice of these 854 million people heard. We must work to uphold their fundamental human right. We must recognize the role of human rights in eradicating hunger and poverty, and the connection between development, human rights and security.

Enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948, the right to food has been strengthened through legislative measures at the international and national levels. At the World Food Summit and in the Millennium Declaration, political pledges were made and reaffirmed at highest level.

The Food and Agriculture Organisation has elaborated practical guidelines that provide coherent policy recommendations on how to bridge the gap between legal recognition and practice.

And yet, progress towards eradicating hunger is slow. We need to do far more to place the integrity and rights of every human being at the centre of all our efforts. We need to work with stepped up measures to ensure participation and empowerment, accountability and transparency, human dignity and integrity.

The world has the resources, the knowledge and the tools to make the right to food a reality for all.
UNPOL Visit Police Academies

After eight months of discussion between UNFICYP’s Senior Police Adviser Carla Van Maris and the Turkish Cypriot Police Element (TCPE) HQ, the UNPOL Training Officer and the UN Liaison Officer Police (UNLOP) visited the north’s “police academy” on 27 September to brief TCPE recruits about UNPOL and UNFICYP and cooperation/ liaison with the TCPE.

The presentation was well received. So much so, in fact, that now, there are plans to incorporate UNPOL presentations into future TCPE recruit courses.

Next day on 28 September, 24 newly arrived UNPOL members, accompanied by the UNLOP and UNPOL Training Officer, visited the Cyprus Police (CYPOL) Academy. They were given a briefing by CYPOL and a tour of the Academy. During the visit, the UNFICYP Training Officer and UNPOL raised the possibility with CYPOL Academy staff of an UNPOL briefing for CYPOL recruits during their induction course. These discussions are ongoing.

On Your Bike, Brian!

UNFICYP Spokesperson Brian Kelly’s farewell lunch, which took place on 23 October in HQ UNFICYP’s central courtyard, was a rare occasion. Approximately 90 fellow colleagues arriving at midday found an impressive luncheon laid on, organised by the very capable Michael Choralambous, Manager of UNFICYP’s International Cafeteria.

Once lunch was over, CM Møller was the first to bid farewell to Brian, presenting him with a decorative UN plate, one which Brian has admired for some time! Then came CAO Frank Clancy, who handed Brian a framed collection of medals from all missions he had served with during his UN service. Anne Bursey, Brian’s deputy, rounded up the speeches and presented Brian with personal gifts of a painting she had created, as well as a framed photo of him eating his favourite luncheon dish at CESSAC (egg, mashed potato and onion!). She also surprised him with a special edition of the UNFICYP magazine entitled “Brian’s Blue Beret”, courtesy of the PIO, and a last but not least, UNFICYP’s collective farewell gift of a red bicycle, tastefully decorated with a UN flag, a hooter, two fans and pieces to distinguish it from other bicycles in town!

Coffee, accompanied by a farewell cake with a colourful photo of Brian as decoration, ended the event which, although joyful, was a sad occasion as it meant the end of the six-and-a-half year Brian Kelly era, one which will be very difficult for his successor to follow. Brian plans to settle on the island for the foreseeable future, and we all hope to see him pedalling his bicycle up to HQ for his favourite CESSAC lunch!

Civil Society Directory

The production of a comprehensive directory of Cypriot Civil Society organisations marks a giant step in the work of such organisations on the island. The Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot directories together represent a body of knowledge and information which will have a lasting impact on the development of Cyprus’ culture of democracy and active citizen participation for years to come.

Cypriot Civil Society requires reliable signposts for the future development of a vibrant and courageous activism, which can engage with all sectors of society across the island. This directory marks one of the major milestones in this pursuit.

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UN World Toilets Summit

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Sport

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**New Faces**

**CO Sector 2**

Lt. Col. Tony Duncan took over as Commander Sector 2 from Lt. Col. Keith Robinson on 1 October.

Born in Edinburgh on 30 August 1965, he grew up in Dundee. He joined the British Army in 1985 and was commissioned into the RCT in April 1987. Lt. Col. Duncan spent his early years stationed in Germany, Hong Kong and the United Kingdom. He left his appointment as SO3 G4 at HQ 4 Armd Bde in 1996 to attend Staff College during which time he obtained a Master’s Degree. Lt. Col. Duncan then commanded 28 Sqn QOGLR and was appointed as the Deputy Chief of Staff. A three-year tour at the Army Personnel Centre followed before he assumed his current appointment as CO 10 Tpog QOGLR. Lt. Col. Duncan has served on operations in Northern Ireland, Bosnia, Kosovo, Iraq and now Cyprus. Lt. Col. Duncan is married to Morna and they have three daughters: Rosemary (16), Elizabeth (14) and Catherine (11). His interests include rugby, football, golf, skiing, rock music and playing guitar.

**CO Sector 1**

Lt. Col. Edgardo Calvi was born on 19 November 1961 in La Plata city. He was assigned as the new CO Sector 1 on 5 October.

Lt. Col. Calvi graduated from the Officers’ Academy in December 1983 as a 2/Lt in the Armour branch. He is an experienced paratrooper, commando and mountain troop specialist.

During his career, Lt. Col. Calvi served in different combat units including the 4th Mountain Cavalry Regiment, the NCOS’ Academy and 501 Commando Company, as well as the 8th Cavalry Regiment and the Officers’ Academy. He attended the Argentine Staff College in 1997 and 1998. In 1995, Lt. Col. Calvi completed a tour with UNPROFOR, and in 2000/2001, he attended the Staff College in France.

Prior to his appointment as CO Sector 1, he held the post of CO 10th Tank Regiment for the past two years. His qualifications include a BA in Strategy and Organisation, an MA in Strategic Management and an MA in Strategy and Geopolitics.

Lt. Col. Calvi is married to Maria Rosana and they have three children, Santiago (12), Pablo (10) and Marcos (seven).

**ASO**

Lt. Col. Alberto Sabbatini, Air Safety Officer HQ UNFICYP, was born on 22 October 1963. He comes from Buenos Aires. He graduated from the “Escuela de Aviación Militar” (Argentinian Air Academy) in 1986. In 1987, he attended the Military Aviator Course and then served with VII Air Brigade where he took the helicopter pilot’s course, flying the Hughes 500, Bell UH-1H and Bell 212. In 1992, he attended the Air Accident Investigation and Prevention Course. A presidential pilot, he also flew the Sikorsky S-76 and Sikorsky S-70, and was Squadron Leader for two years. This is not Alberto’s first tour with UNFICYP. He served in UN Flight in 1997 and 1999.

Alberto is married to Janna and they have two children, Lucia (seven) and Vito (three). His hobbies include playing football, watching sports and films, and listening to rock music.

**OC MFR**

Maj. Emma Dick arrived in Cyprus on 29 September to take up the post of Officer Commanding, Mobile Force Reserve.

Following a degree in Anthropology from Durham University and a short spell in newspaper sales, she began her Army career at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst in May 1997. Her first posting after commissioning was as a Transport Troop Commander in 10 Transport Regiment where she deployed as part of the NATO force in Bosnia. Emma has completed various specialist logistic training whilst in the Army and in 2001 completed an MSc in Food Logistics Management, carrying out her dissertation whilst deployed on Exercise SAIF SAREEA in the Omani desert. After attending Army Junior Division in 2003, Emma served as an Adjutant in 7 Transport Regiment and immediately deployed on Operation TELIC 1 to Iraq. Since then she has served as a Staff Officer within the Army’s Personnel Centre managing over 3,000 soldiers’ careers. More recently, she worked within the Directorate of the Royal Logistic Corps.

Emma is married to Ewan, a fellow Royal Logistic Corps officer, and they have two sons, Lewis (three) and Marcus (16 months). Emma is a keen mountain biker and also enjoys hiking, camping and reading.

**FHO**

Maj. Sándor Szabó took over the position of Force Hygiene Officer on 20 September.

Born in Hungary in 1966, Maj. Szabó has taken several courses in Budapest and gained diplomas in sociology, mental health and as a Public Health Inspector. He joined the Hungarian Defence Forces in 1985, and has served in various units as a Health Supply NCO, a Health Supply Officer, a Health Promoter and lately as a sociologist. He has participated in several training courses and specialises in alcohol abuse and drug prevention.

This is Maj. Szabó’s second tour as Force Hygiene Officer, the first being in 2001-2002. Maj. Szabó is married to Edit, and they have a 10-year-old son, Bence. Maj. Szabó’s hobbies include fishing, painting and reading.
Teamwork on Staff Day