FIRST VISITORS TO SWEDCON'S NEW GOLDFISH CAMP

SWEDCON recently took over its new permanent camp on the outskirts of Nicosia, now known as Gold Fish Camp. The camp had its first VIP visitors on Monday 18 September when it was visited by the SRSG, the FC and the CAO. The picture taken during the visit shows from left to right, Maj. Gen. J.J. Quinn, Mr. H.P.T. Willis, Ambassador Gallindo Pohl and Maj. C.G.I. Nilsson, OC 1 Company SWEDCON.
The Band March On

The Regimental Band and Corps of Drums of the 1st Battalion the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers march on at the head of the Battalion at the start of the Parade.

BRITCON MEDAL PARADE

Members of 'A' Squadron 9th/12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales) under the command of Major R E H Coghlan drive past.


Alouettes of UNFICYP Flight, Flight Commander Major C Blount fly past. Beneath them, with their wheels firmly on the ground, the UNFICYP Support Regiment Detachment, Detachment Commander Major A A Rennie.

Major General J J Quinn presents Cpl D Lawrence RAF with his United Nations Medal. Next in line is Sgt E Kirtsdale, RAF.

B Company with soldiers like MCpl Robert McDonald, provides access control into the UNPA through OP C 39, known more commonly as FOXTROT.

This is the last in a series of articles designed to give you, the reader, a greater understanding of the Canadian Contingent here in Cyprus.

B Company is the second of our two Rifle Companies which have the responsibility of manning Observation Posts in the United Nations Buffer Zone or more commonly called manning the "LINE", Commanded by Major Lou Grimshaw, B Company has a strength of some 100 personnel who man seven Observation Posts and Checkpoints 24 hours a day. Working out of Camp Maple Leaf their area includes the entire United Nations Protected Area.

L to R — The "B" Company Commander, Major Lou Grimshaw, and driver Cpl Joe Pederson.

F Joint Commander Lieutenant Kurt Fred forgotten (centre) discusses points with Sergeant Doug Walker (left) and Sergeant Dom Vardy (right).

L to R — Pie Les Leighton and Pie Rich Cashman are on duty at Sector Four's new Observation Post C 65! Lieutenant Colonel Lew MacKenzie presents a UN Cyprus service medal to a happy Pie Nolan Benoit.
**UNIFICYP SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

The 1976 carnival was held in the BBC swimming pool on the afternoon of 31 August and once again attracted a great deal of interest and was fully supported by all contingents. The programme for the afternoon comprised 17 heats, covering a total of 8 events. The 3 relay events were run as finals, these being the 4x50 m freestyle, 4x50 m breaststroke and the 4x50 m medley.

The organisers of the carnival would like to thank all the officials who gave a helping hand and particularly to COMUN CIVPOL for being such an effective announcer. Without their willing help the afternoon could not have been the success we are told it was.

Finally, of course, our congratulations to SWEDCON the unchallenged champions of the carnival.

**RESULTS**

| 50 m Freestyle | BRITCON | 25.9 | 2nd Evenon | Force Reserve | 26.2 | 3rd Larsson | SWEDCON | 26.5 |
| 4x50 m Freestyle Relay | 1st | Britannia | 1.02.0 | 2nd | SWEDCON | 1.04.4 |
| 4x50 m Breaststroke Relay | 1st | Force Reserve | 1.51.0 | 2nd | BRITCON | 1.52.2 | 3rd | SWEDCON | 1.55.5 |
| 4x50 m Medley Relay | 1st | SWEDCON | 2.25.7 | 2nd | DANCEN | 2.36.4 | 3rd | BRITCON | 2.38.0 |

**Memories of an exciting afternoon in very pleasant surroundings. For once in sport it was the participants who remained cool.**

The SWEDCON Captain, Lt. Jonasson receiving the winning trophy from Ch. Supt. A. Walliker.

The organisers sorting out one of the many small problems that arose during the afternoon.

**SWEDCON - NEW "SWIM - CON"**

**Best Team Wins**

So far this summer sports successes for the Swedish Contingent have been few and far between. The UNIFICYP Swimming Carnival was, however, a great success for SWEDCON. The Swedes took 18 of the 51 medals, 11 gold, 1 silver and 6 bronze. The winning Swedish team also gave a mortgage on the new challenge prize.

The Swedes won with 25 points, BRITCON were next with 13, Force Reserve got 11, CANCON 6, DANCON 3 and AUSCON 2.

The most successful members of the Swedish team were Pte Anders Tannson and Per Folkesson with four medals each.

**The successful Swedish swimmers at the pool in Nicosia, sitting from left to right, Lt Mats Ribbshagen, Pte Stefan Milsson, Pte Anders Håkansson, Sgt Rolf Berggren, standing from left to right, Maj Helmo Auer, Pte Björn Ekholm, Pte Bo Larsson, Pte Per Folkesson and Sgt Peter Backlund.**

There was a problem with the medals but the Force Commander, Maj Gen J J Quinn, on the right, soon solved it. Next to the Force Commander is Ch Supt Arthur Walliker, whose continual organisation of the Carnival, and in the middle is the ADC, Capt Anders Dahlman.

A very happy Swedish team leader, Lt Lief Jonasson, raises the challenge prize together with the most successful swimmer Pte Anders Håkansson who won three gold medals and one bronze.
VIKING CAMP has a sunny, just like every other camp. This picture shows Pte C.H. Jensen opening the barrier for the SDS vehicle.

VIKING CAMP, Xeros is situated in an area belonging to the Cyprus Mines Corporation and since 1969 has been home for HQ and HQ Coy of DANCON. Originally the force was quartered in a tented camp in the Southern part of the area, a part of which today holds the helicopter landing site and the pioneer workshop. Step by step, however, the tents were replaced by UN huts and since 1972 the camp has appeared virtually in its present shape.

The DANCON engineers always have plenty to do. Among their many tasks the present section has built a new hut for the signallers and an extension to the Officers' Mess kitchen. Here they are: engineer Pte B.T. Petersen doing some plumbing while the section leader Sgt P.P. Olsen and Pte Sorensen look on.

The medical officers in DANCON have to carry out hygiene inspections at all the ops, and because of the mountainous locations they always travel by helicopter. Here you see MO J. Ravn, MO S. Holbaek and Sgt N. As R Nielsen preparing for a trip.

Twice a month DANCON and SWEDCON have the joint SCACYP flights between their home countries and Cyprus. Personnel and material are carried on these aircraft and it is HQ Coy's duty to load and unload them. Here is a photograph of one of the flights after arrival at Larnaca Airport.
LEBANON—UNIFIL

Security Council extends mandate of Lebanon force.

On 18 September the Security Council extended the mandate of the UN interim force in Lebanon for four months until 19 January 1979. The vote was 12 in favour and none against, with two abstentions—the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia. China did not take part in the vote, in accordance with its usual practice concerning UN peacekeeping operations.

Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim had recommended a six-month extension in his latest report on UNIFIL. France which has the largest troops contingent in the 6,000-man force had wanted a three-month extension. As a compromise, the United States-sponsored resolution adopted by the council extended the life of the force for four months.

Addressing the council immediately after the vote, Secretary-General Waldheim urgently appealed for the co-operation of the parties in order to help UNIFIL complete its task.

The force was set up in March to confirm the withdrawal of Israel from Lebanon, hostile to that had invaded Southern Lebanon in a drive against Palestinian guerrillas, and to help restore the Lebanon Government's sovereignty over the area.

In his recent report, Mr. Waldheim was critical of Israeli backed Lebanese Right-wing Christian militia for preventing the Beirut Government from asserting its authority over the region.

In his comments to the council, Mr. Waldheim also expressed concern about UNIFIL's financial situation. Since some governments had made it clear they would not pay their share of the peacekeeping operation, there would probably be a growing deficit, throwing a disproportionate burden on those countries which had provided troops for the force.

UN RADIO

Successful satellite experiment 8 September 1978.

Instant communication by satellite enabled UN HQ New York to successfully service the meeting in Argentina of the UN Conference on Technical Co-operation Among Developing Countries. In a week-long experiment simultaneous interpretation with both television and sound signals, document translations and reproduction, teletype, facsimile and voice communication were provided from New York to the Buenos Aires meetings.

Mr. Bohdan Lewandowski, the under-secretary for Conference Services during an interview on 8 September told newsmen that the week-long test had been an unqualified success. It heralds a new era in communications just like the leap from horse and buggy to jet air transport in the past. He said that the test was conducted without cost to the UN. The experiment was made possible by facilities and co-operation furnished by NASA, the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration, COMSAT, the non-governmental Communications Satellite Corporation, and ENTEL the Argentine satellite organization which is a part of the Argentine Ministry of Posts and Telephone.

Mobile earth stations atop a twelve story building in Buenos Aires and in the gardens of the UN in New York relayed signals through a Stationary Orbit Communications Technology Satellite (STS) stationed over the western hemisphere.

Simultaneous interpreters in both New York and Buenos Aires followed the meetings, translating for delegates into the five official UN languages. The interpretations were switched back and forth between New York and Buenos Aires and neither delegates nor interpreters knew from where they were hearing the language version. Mr. Lewandowski said there was not a single hitch, documents moved back and forth between the two cities at the rate of a page every 20 seconds. Mr. Lewandowski told newsmen the system could be put into every day use within two years if funding were available.

EEC PLAN TO BOOST UN FORCES

The nine Common Market countries have agreed to make a joint effort to strengthen the United Nations peace-keeping forces during the present session of the UN General Assembly.

At a "political consultation" meeting in Bonn, foreign ministers of the Nine proposed that member countries consider establishing special training facilities for UN operations and keep the UN informed of men and materials available for peace-keeping purposes.

CYPRUS—UNIFCYP

Secretary-General's Annual Report to the General Assembly.

The following excerpts on Cyprus from the Secretary-General's report were issued on 13 September by UN HQ, New York:

"The past year has been heavily frustrating as far as efforts to find a solution to the Cyprus problem are concerned. Despite numerous efforts and contacts, it has not been possible to find an agreed basis for meaningful resumption of intercommunal talks, and the situation in the island has not improved, although owing in large measure to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force, it has remained peaceful.

In the absence of any immediate prospect of moving towards a comprehensive solution, I have suggested that the parties might at least wish to tackle certain limited practical problems, such as Varosha or re-opening of Nicosia International Airport; the hope that limited success might facilitate a climate for broader negotiations. Some new proposals on Varosha have in fact been put forward, and I and my representatives will continue to try to find ways of making at least some practical advances on this and other aspects of the island's problems, pending resumption of negotiations for a comprehensive settlement.

Cyprus is a problem which ought to be solvable by peaceful negotiation. Until it is solved, it remains not only a threat to stability and good relations in the Eastern Mediterranean, but also a continuing and heavy burden on the resources of the United Nations. I sincerely hope therefore that we shall see, in the near future, necessary changes in attitude to allow for progress towards a negotiated solution."

UNIFICYP CHRISTMAS CARDS

In the Service of Peace

UNITED NATIONS FORCE IN CYPRUS

Only 13 weeks to Christmas!!!

A limited number of UNIFICYP Christmas cards have been printed and are now available. The cards shown above have all the Contingents' flags in colour with the Season's Greetings printed inside in all Conquint languages. All profits from sales to go to the UNIFICYP Welfare Fund. To avoid disappointment purchase early from Mr. John Amos, Procurement Officer, Blue Beret Camp, Nicosia. Tel: 7208. Price 100 miles each including envelope.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

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LESSON OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Fasten your seat belt and drive carefully... you know it makes sense!"