ISRAEL-SYRIA BORDER TENSION RISES; U THANT BIDS RESTRAINT

THE UNITED KINGDOM AND AUSTRALIA last week both announced further contributions to the finances of the United Nations Peacekeeping operation in Cyprus (UNFCYP). Britain will contribute one million dollars (US) for each of the three month periods of the current mandate, due to expire on June 26, and Australia is to contribute $100,000 to help meet expenses for the ninth period of the Force mandate, from 27 June to 26 December last year.

Announcing the new contribution in a letter to the United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, Mr Roger Jackling, the Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom, said that the contribution was a confirmation of the pledge made in the Security Council by Lord Caradon on 15th December, and was in addition to meeting the costs of the British Contingent of the Force.

In a letter dated 20th January, the Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations, Mr Patrick Shaw, said that his Government’s contribution was in response to the Secretary-General’s appeal of June last year for voluntary contributions to meet the costs of UNFCYP.

FEARS OF A MAJOR CLASH BETWEEN SYRIA AND ISRAEL ALONG THE BORDER BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES LED THE UNITED NATIONS Secretary-General, U Thant, to address urgent appeals for restraint to both parties last week. He also appealed to them to accept, without pre-conditions, a proposal of the Chief UN Supervisor for an extraordinary meeting of the Israel-Syria Mixed Armistice Commission “with a view to reaching an understanding on problems of cultivation in the area which have given rise to the incidents of recent weeks.”

Following acceptance by both parties, U Thant instructed the Truce Supervisor, General Odd Bull, to set a time and place for the meeting.

The Secretary-General took this initiative as UN reports from the area told of a large build-up of heavy arms, armoured vehicles and military personnel near and within the Demilitarized Zones on both sides of the Demarcation Line.

Because of the potential danger, said U Thant, he had advised General Bull to take every step within his authority, including reinforcement of UN Military Observers on both sides of the line, to secure a halt to the build-up and to avoid a large-scale clash. He also took the unusual step of immediately informing the Security Council of this message to the two parties.

Israel’s Ambassador, Michael Comay, told newsmen on Monday that his Government was agreeing to the proposal for a meeting of the Mixed Armistice Commission as an extraordinary step, and without prejudice to its position that the Commission generally lacks authority to deal with matters relating to the Demilitarized Zone.

Israel maintains that the Zone belongs to her and Syria has no rights in it. There have been no regular meetings of the Commission since 1951. Mr. Comay also said that the questions of cultivation in the area were not the only source of tension between his country and Syria and probably not even the major one.

He said that in the past three weeks Israel had been subjected to seven instances of sabotage raids by terrorists from across the border, shelling of a village outside the Demilitarized Zone, and attacks on her boats on Lake Tiberias.

Mr. Comay said the UN

IRISH MINISTER ARRIVES

THE IRISH MINISTER OF DEFENCE, MR MICHAEL HILLIARD, accompanied by the Secretary of the Defence Department, Mr Stephen Kearney and the Chief of Staff, Lieutenant-General Sean MacEoin arrived in Cyprus on Monday for a five-day visit to the Irish Contingent of UNFCYP (see IRCON news). Below and on page eight are brief sketches of the three visitors.

PHOTO: G.A. DUNCAN, DUBLIN

MICHAEL HILLIARD

Mr. Michael Hilliard, T.D., Minister of Defence of the Irish Government, was born in County Meath. He has been actively interested in national affairs all his life and was closely associated with the independence movement. He was elected to the Dail Eireann (Parliament) in 1943 as deputy for the constituency of Meath-Westmeath and has sat continuously since then. He became Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Industry and Commerce in 1958 and reached ministerial status in the following year as Minister of Posts and Telegraphs. Mr. Hilliard became Minister of Defence in a cabinet reshuffle in 1965. He lives in Navan, County Meath, is married and the father of six sons and five daughters.

STEPHEN KEARNEY

Mr. Stephen Kearney is a professional Civil Servant who has spent all his active administrative life in the Department of Defence, joining as a junior administrative officer, his marked ability brought him to

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DANCONs
FODBOLDHOLD
TIL DAMASCUS

Dancon har modtaget en invitation til med sit fodboldhold at spille nogle kampe i Damascus. Turen ventes foregå i begyndelsen af februar, og for at få holdet i s


Tyrkere var dog ikke så dørlige, som dette resultat kunne påvele på det ville nok ikke være uforså, hvis de havde ført i 2:1 målt, men den havde ikke trygt med dem, og de havde den danske målt, OS B. Sørensen fra Asker, nogle udnærmende røverier, hvori man faktisk havde set holdens i netværk.

I pasagen mellem de to halvtag begyndte en meget kraftig nogle by, som varde det mest af kampen tæt og, inden tiden var banen en stor minderet. Det vil til at se i anden halvtag havde absolut intet med fodbold at gøre, hvilket man dog ikke kan laste spillerne for, thi banen var glat, som var den smur over med gør sørge, og den kunne kun til, der for de fleste af spillerne var føjet ind i mudder ude i hele firkant.

Der opstod de mest prægtfulde situationsforhold, som varit en filmserie af de to sidste minutter, og de sindes hufladis tilskuerne, som blev, da regnet begyndte at strømme ned derved, årets tiltalen fastlig anden halvtag, og hvor ikke tal dermed blev påbilleder, at dommeren, som endte i mål, måtte slippe kampe, og tilfælde spillerne, da tyrkere forskydte skyldt 12 mål med banen. Det udgør af dette var næsten, at heller ikke spillerne havde ret, at begge hold faktisk syntes at mere sig lige så godt som tilskuerne.

Det endelige resultat blev 1:2 til Dancon, og man kunne glæde sig over en fra begge sider fair spil let kamp, idet de to straffespark,

Dancon – NYT

CHEF VED DANCON

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Danconer resulterer verksamhet er nu på væg i bogstavækten. For at kunne erbjæde æmte højere service har sargeant Bo Zachrisson flyttet sin reserbyrå med alle deres færdige afficher og brevcherrier til stiirere og højere afficher i stadens vis afvis på Carl Gustaf Camp. Her når han røster til ifv Rolf Persson, Nora, Johan Johansson, Borås, stabschefes major David Hermansson, Stockholm og fløjte t h t Erik Brante. Vå tanke.

På fredagens udvalgtes runden af gæster med ytterligere tre personer, denne gang ikke militæren utan politiker. Med Hércules placerat medtillfället då 2 sidan samma, tog ävenparlamenten i Dan corsisse et innan den sista dagen på Cypers bjuda också detta herr på ett spårkast program i vilket h en ingå i betön innehavet av cypriska parlamentet. Mr. Charides och vice presidenten dr. Katchas.

Gärnbenk på Carl Gustaf Camp fick alltså mäng av nya män i samma med på de festiva avskedsmä-

bostäden. 2. Haller-Ostholm, men

Det var en dag med stora framgångar och jämförelser, så våra vänner och kollegor ansåg det som nödvändigt att sätta sig på berättelsen på Carl Gustaf Camp.

Hur ett ord, hur en tredje stabschef som ska reserbyrået.
BRITISH CONTINENTAL NEWS

42 SQUADRON BID FAREWELL WITH PARADE AND MARCH Past

THE LAST OFFICIAL FUNCTION IN CYPRUS FOR 42 SQUADRON, RCT, took place on the 17th January, when the complete unit paraded at UNFICYP Headquarters under Major Peter Beacon, the Squadron Commander.

The Force Commander, Lieutenant General A. E. Mumford, presented the UN (Cyprus) Medal to those members of the Squadron who had not received it during the Unit's earlier tour within UNFICYP. After presentations of the medals, the Force Commander addressed the parade, expressing his "most grateful and sincere thanks and appreciation" to the members of the Squadron in their role as providers of transport for the Force Headquarters. He added, "You have carried out your work in the true spirit of the United Nations."

The parade then marched past the直到scholastic parade where General Mumford took part. After the Force Commander congratulated Major Beacon on the standard of the parade. 42 Squadron left Cyprus on the 17th January to return to the UK. After four weeks leave, the Unit will reassume at Cambridge, Yorkshire, to resume its normal duties.

1 SQUADRON TAKE OVER TRANSPORT TASKING

On the 16th January, the tasks of transport within UNFICYP's Headquarters RCT was taken over by 1 Sqr RCT which has, recently arrived on loan from 42 Squadron, Chester, Essex. The Squadron is commanded by the Governor, RCT, and has a strength of four officers and 98 ranks in Cyprus whilst at Colchester there is a rear party of 5 officers and 150 men.

Before coming to Cyprus, 1 Squadron formed part of the Febru- ary Mobile Land Force. The Squadron has been in Cyprus in recent years, including Aden, Borneo, Canada, Germany, Greece, Norway and Turkey, and it has considerable experience upon which it can draw when necessary.

DEFENCE MINISTER HERE FOR FIVE DAYS

IRELAND'S MINISTER OF DEFENCE, MR. MICHAEL HILLIARD T.D., ACCOMPANIED BY THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE IRISH ARMY, LIEUT.-GEN. SEAN MAC AOIN AND THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE, MR. STEPHEN KEARNEY, arrived at Nicosia airport on Monday to visit the Irish Continental Unit of UNFICYP. The party were guest at the airport by the Force Commander, General A. E. Mumford, the Secretary-General's Special Representative, Mr. P. P. Spinelli, the UNFICYP Chief of Staff Brigadier M. M. Horbottle, the Irish Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel M. K. Hanley, the Cyprus Defence Ministry Director-General Mr. Anthony of the Cyprus General Chief of Protocol Mission.

Yesterday's party was officially met by the Force Commander at UNFICYP HQ and was sighted by the Chief of Staff. They then went to see National Democratic forces of the Cyprus Government and also before proceeding to interview with the President of Cyprus, His Highness, Archbishop Makarios of the Patriarchal Palace in Nicosia. The Irish party was then shown around the UN Command Post and in the "A" Coy camp at Lefka.

The Minister and his party will be entertained to dinner by the Irish officers at District Headquarters.

Tomorrow (Thursday) the Chief of Staff, General Mac Aoin, will visit Lamia and Koksina and camps and will return to be present at a reception given by the Minister at the Ledra Palace Hotel.

On Friday the party will visit the Irish leave centre at Famagusta and will see Salamis, Dekeleia and Larnaca. On Saturday they will fly out to Jerusalem where they will meet the Irish officers serving there with the UN Truce Supervision Organisation (UNTSO).

LIFE HAS PRIORITY

PART II

LONG-DISTANCE DRIVING

The usual limit may vary occasion- ally and, when it does, it is for some very good reason. Trust your instincts - if it feels right. During sustained fast driving you tend to lose a sense of space and time. Never take a single action without remembering the speed limit and road signs.

The simple advice rule: KEEP LEFT on proper roads. Stay in the left lane only, and if turning left, proceed slowly. Be sure nothing is coming up behind you before turning. Check to make sure conditions are safe when changing lanes. Sudden decisions and actions can be dangerous.

There is only one important consider- ation in long-distance driving - boredom. Do not drive too fast without stopping. Change your sitting position occasionally. When driving for long periods, just looking ahead down the road, a sort of hypnosis easily develops and the reflexes do not react promptly when it becomes necessary. Almost any change or movement will help to snap you out of it.

The Irish Minister of Defence, Mr. Michael Hilliard, T.D., with the Director General of the Defence Ministry of the Cyprus Govern- ment, Mr. Anastasios and the Cyprus Government's Chief of Police, Mr. Polopulos.
‘BIGGEST BUG-OUT’ BY GARRYS

FORCE COMMANDER WITNESSES SQUADRON SCRAMBLE

BADLY PROUD AT ALL THE FORT GARRYS ENGINEERED THE ‘BIGGEST BUG-OUT’ they believe, in Canadian Contingent history as the entire squadron ‘scrambled’ on Friday for the benefit of Lieutenant-General A.E. MacKinnon, of Finland, Commander of UN Peace-keeping Forces in Cyprus.

The Force Commander was briefed by Maj. General Kitchen, Officer Commanding and, after a walk round Fort Worthington accommodation, he witnessed the high speed deployment of more than a score of Fort scort cars and operational vehicles as they roared off from various parts of the compound.

General MacKinnon boarded a Ferret himself and proceeded to Mystery House, one of three outposts on Nicosia’s ‘green line’ for which the Garrys are responsible. Later he proceeded to further brief ing and lunch with the Reserve Contingent’s Squadron.

The Reserve Squadron has five main tasks:

1. Escorting the Nicosia-Kyrenia
2. Surveillance of Kyrenia
3. General route patrolling in Pafos area
4. Mobile reserve for Kyrenia
5. Reserve reserve for the UN

Since taking up these duties the regiment has been on alert (through Jan, 19) 37,673 people in 1015 vehicles on 396 convoys. The largest convoy was on November 27 last year. In addition the regiment had completed 84 area surveillance patrols in UNFICYP’s Kyrenia District.

The forty-six drivers of the Squadron have an outstanding driving record, 9762 accident free miles logged on squadron vehicles – 60,497 miles in escort cars on operational tasks and 37,185 miles on operational and administrative tasks.

And, as Major Kitchen told the General at the briefing, by the beginning of this week the Squadron would be started on a second 100,000 miles.

The Fort Garry Horse originated in 1895 with Wolton’s Mounted Corps and after various titles first become known as The Fort Garry Horse, in the 32nd Regiment of Cavalry, in 1912. The Garrys have served with distinction in both World Wars, gaining a total of 34 battle honours and a VC worn by Lt. Hareton Scharben in the battle of Cambrai, France, 1917. Between the wars they were based on Winnipeg, Manitoba. In the second World War they served in the Middle East and the Far East in the years of June 6, 1940, fighting in Italy, Greece, and Germany. They returned to Winnipeg, Manitoba, their prior base, in 1946. Since then they have served in Canada, shifting their bases bases to Calgary, Alberta, and with this regiment’s NATO Contingent in Germany.

And the regiment's NATO Contingent in Germany.

SUROJN-GENERAL ARRIVES

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GARRYS GUARD — The Force Commander inspects a Quarter-Guard at the Fort Garry Horse Contingent Squadron during his tour visit to Fort Worthington last Friday.
THE SPECIAL UN COMMITTEE WHICH IS TO RECOMMEND PRACTICAL MEANS of taking over the administration of South-West Africa with a view to its independence held its first meeting at UN Headquarters last week. Max Jakobson of Finland was elected Chairman of the fourteen-member group.

The Committee is to report to a special session of the General Assembly which will be held not later than April. Opening this week's inaugural meeting, the Secretary-General stressed the historic importance and extraordinary difficulties of the task which had been given to the Committee. He expressed confidence that the result of its efforts would help the appropriate UN bodies to arrive at constructive decisions leading to the just and peaceful solution desired by all.

U Thant recalled that the Committee was set up when the General Assembly decided at its last session to terminate South Africa's League of Nations mandate over South-West Africa and to place the territory under the direct responsibility of the United Nations.

The Assembly acted on the basis of its finding that South Africa had failed to fulfill her obligations to ensure the moral and material well-being of the people of South-West Africa. South Africa, who has defended her apartheid policies as being in the best interests of all the inhabitants, has taken the position that she is not answerable to the UN for her administration of the territory, and has said that she would resist with all her power any UN attempt at a take-over.

The Secretary-General recalled that the question of South-West Africa had been considered at every session of the General Assembly, beginning with the first in 1946, and that no less than 76 resolutions had been adopted on the subject by that body.

U Thant said that all the efforts of the world Organization had been directed toward persuading South Africa to cooperate with the UN in measures to enable the people of the territory to exercise the rights for which they had fought in the Charter. Had South Africa co-operated, he said, the Committee would not have been faced with its present task.

FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF RETURNS TO NICOSIA

Brigadier M. N. Harbottle, the Force Chief of Staff, returned to Nicosia on Saturday, 21st January, following a two-night's visit to London for private reasons, during which he also addressed the Joint Services Staff College.

UNESCO REPORT

APARTEID IS SOURCE OF CONFLICT

A UNESCO REPORT MADE PUBLIC THIS WEEK SAID APARTEID WAS the major cause of racial and group conflict in South Africa. It said that poor educational facilities for non-whites, the limited range of subjects offered in schools, overcrowding and poor teacher training were among the practices which kept Africans at the most meagre level of society.

The report concluded that "separate development", as practiced in South Africa, did not mean equality between the various ethnic groups, and that it was among the areas studied by UNESCO.

The report was carried out in a pattern of aggression characterized by the submission of mass complaints and the creation of incidents along with deliberate obstruction of the work of the Mixed Arbitration Commission.

SOUTH-WEST AFRICA COMMITTEE HOLDS INAUGURAL MEETING

NARASIMHAN LEAVES ON ASIAN TOUR

UNITED NATIONS UN-SECRETARY GENERAL MR. NARASIMHAN LEFT NEW YORK LAST WEEK ON A TOUR OF SEVERAL ASIAN CAPITALS ON UNITED NATIONS MATTERS. HIS FIRST STOP WILL BE TOKYO FOR TALKS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN ON ASSISTANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR THE MEKONG RIVER BASIN IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA.

He will then proceed to Manila for discussions with the President of the newly established Asian Development Bank, and will also call on the President and Foreign Minister of the Philippines.

Mr. Narasimhan will go on to Bangkok to discuss matters relating to the UN Economic Commission for Asia and Far East and the De Ribbing Mission. (Herbert de Ribbing, a Swedish diplomat, was designated by the Secretary-General last August as his Special Representative to help alleviate tension between Cambodia and Thailand. His appointment was for a six-month period. The question of the extension of the mission has been under discussion in recent weeks.)

Following his visit to Bangkok, Mr. Narasimhan will proceed to Vientiane, Laos, to attend the Mekong Committee meeting which opens on 1 February. He will then travel to Phnom Penh, Cambodia, for discussions regarding the De Ribbing Mission.

The Under-Secretary will also hold consultations in New Delhi with the Government of India, and will return to New York on 24 February, following a brief holiday.

UN SECRETARIAT'S AID FOR FLORENCE FLOOD FUND

At a brief ceremony last week, United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. U Thant, presented to Mr. Piero Vinci, Permanent Representative of Italy to the UN, a cheque for over $2,500 contributed by Secretariat staff members at United Nations Headquarters for flood relief in Florence.

ISRAEL SYRIA BORDER TENSION

Supervision Organization was not capable of acting as a border guard to prevent infiltration, and that responsibility, under the Armistice Agreement, rested squarely with the Government from whose territory the raiders came. Syria's Ambassador, George Tomeh, told newsmen that Israel had started the current trouble by shooting at Syrian farmers trying to cultivate their land in the Demilitarized Zone. He said Israel was engaged in a policy of expansion and usurpation of Arab territory and was carrying out a pattern of aggression characterized by the submission of mass complaints and the creation of incidents along with deliberate obstruction of the work of the Mixed Arbitration Commission.