MIDDLE EAST SITUATION WEIGHED AT UN HQS.

The UN General Assembly — currently in session at UN Headquarters in New York — was in recess last week and early this week as intensive consultations were in progress regarding the next steps to be taken by the United Nations in the Middle East situation.

Ambassador Sengin Tsuruoka of Japan, current president of the UN Security Council, called in the 10 non-permanent members of the Council for an informal exchange of views on Tuesday and Thursday of last week following consultations with the parties to the Middle East conflict. the permanent members of the Council (China, France, the U.S.S.R., the United Kingdom, and the United States), and some other members of the Assembly. Mr Tsuruoka said the exchanges had been exploratory; no specific draft resolutions had been discussed, and the non-permanent members of the Council would meet again this week.

Declining to express either optimism or pessimism as to the outcome of the talks, he added that it was still the consensus that there would be no point in calling a meeting of the Security Council until a positive outcome could be reasonably assured.

DESTROYER SIRIUS BRINGS ISRAEL, U.A.R. CHARGES

The sinking of an Israeli destroyer over the past week-end brought charges and counter-charges from Israel and the United Arab Republic.

In a letter to the UN Security Council, Israel complained of a "wanton act of aggression" committed by the United Arab Republic which resulted in 15 dead, 36 missing and 48 wounded. Israel said its vessel, the "Eliaat", had been on a routine patrol on the high seas when it was attacked by "surface-to-surface" UAR missiles.

The UAR charged that the Israeli destroyer had engaged in "aggressive" action in UAR territorial waters of Port Said. UAR naval units had been forced to act in self-defence and, in the ensuing firing, the Israeli vessel had been sunk, the United Arab Republic said.

General Odd Bull, Chief UN Truce Supervisor, reported to the UN that as yet he had no verified information about the nature of the attack on the destroyer.

Finland, Sweden Contribute to UNFICYP Costs

Finland and Sweden, two countries which are participating with contingents serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus, have made further voluntary contributions to provide financial support to UNFICYP operations in Cyprus.

In a letter dated 12 October addressed to the Secretary-General, U Thant, sent by the Per...
HOME SWEET HOME

With the arrival of the advance party of the Green Jackets, the departure time for the Duke's draws closer and everywhere in the British Zone there is an expectation. The mention of "Home" brings a smile to the faces of the troops and the thought of being home is a welcome thought in everyone's mind. In all the units throughout the zone, finishing touches are being given to ensure that all is spick and span when the Green Jackets take over. To anyone who saw the condition of the units six months ago, the improvements are markedly apparent.

A recent visit to Poland at the north western end of the zone, the British correspondent was able to photograph some of the preparations for winter, and the handover taking place.

Taking a breather from digging rain drains at Polis Hill Op, Pro Psy, Clerk from Sligo has a laugh with Tpr Stephen Turner who is on watch. Stephen comes from Sheffield and is looking forward to seeing the city where the boat steel comes from, in the near future.

"In that a fly on the antisepticator?" asks Capt Chuck Ivy during his round of inspection. "Yes," replies 2Sgt Tom Brown, "It's on the serial strength." Capt Ivy is back in command of the Polis detachment after a spell of duty with Osn A as HQ UNIFIL.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

To conclude the Basketball League, a match between the International Club and the Wheel-Em-Itas Club took place on Thursday 19th Oct. The International Club were clear winners of the league by a massive margin with the Wheel-Em-Itas team runners up.

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"That smells good!" says Sgt Gary Bayes as he has a look at his birthday cake baked by Lpl Malcolm 'Mac' Poucher. "Make sure there is plenty of ice cream" instructed Gary before leaving a busy refectory from the kitchen.

The Winning Team
Julkort! Jo, det är faktiskt bara 60 dagar sedan och med hjälp bör man ju som bekant vara ute i sig förr eller senare. Det gäller längsångs hälsningar. FN-styckan på Cypern har klara sprakande färdar som säkert kan ha ett stort intresse till stämförsamling och vänner från FN-soldater på Cypern.

Julkorten finns att köpa för 40 milj styck hos FNQ Omdr i sekretariatet i UNIFCYP HQs stora byggnad. Förhandsbeställning skulle tala om att telefonnumret är 76292, samt.

SWECON NEWS

MARSCHEN GÄR HEMMÅ... FN-bataljon 38 avslutar sin syperntjänst


Det blir kväll den 21 december den första hemfyllningen, och snart har man önskad att verka där. Om några dagar har alla "38:n" lämnat "Alvaro's".

Efter ett halvår från hem- ladens horisont kommer det nog att känna gränsen sedan att börja bekära kroppen med Sverige i hurom mål också mån och nätter. Men, skall vi tillfalla att minnas att den största bryggen hon - min-

nors från OP-tjänsten, campan- ber och expeditionssömnemana, min- norna från värma sköna solsidag på Cyperns bakgrund och i angreppsmässiga lämningar, minnes av cyproner som lärde känna, minnes av kvällersta- na i bat 38, o.s.v.

Hem går allmän festlighet, och som man känner, Erik Härman ses hoppas i sitt vackra skanshåll i batstationen - i omsorgsfullt omkring med ett väl utfört uppdrag. Blir hemmor tacksak för kamratskapet i syperntjänsten och önskar lycka till i kommande upptäckter.

Ut från Artens Road och stora vaktopstet där man verkar är IGs Golds- trads plats (C). Bilden TV.

Hem till Sverige och fyller pysslor. Spektakelad blir en aktuell täck- ning i rotationstider, såsom för måltidernas med fyra Tommy Tasson.

SVENSKA PENGAR TILL UNIFCYP

Sverige har liksom grannlandet Finland meddelat FN:s generalsekretärvore O. Thant, att det ansåg ge ett betydande bidrag för att rädda kost- naderna för UNIFCYP.

Svenska FN-representanternas, särskilt Sverige's och Finland's, beslutet bidra med 100 000 US dollar för att rädda FNIFCYP-kostnaderne för den löpande mån- detnatten.

Finland har beslutat ge ett nytt bidrag med 30 000 US dollar.

Ny Svensk BLUE BERET- redaktör


Men inom denna 38:e zonpressofficer täcks de svenska blue Beret-tidskriften in-

Swedcypol Erövrade Police Advisers' Cup

Med övertygande allier från svenska civila polisen UNIFCYPs fotbollsmatch om "Canter's Cup", d.v.s. den stella tro och Police Adviser, Superintendent E.S. Connell, upp som prä av årets fotbollsbundet i FNIFCYP på Cypern.


Grattis Polismännen! Nils Grönberg, Swedcypol 75, medtecknar "cupen" som Superintendent E.S. Connell hand.

ENCRYPTION, and five million for the "required solution within a re-
Assembly
Upholds
Equal Rights
For Women

A declaration aimed at eliminating discrimination against women was unanimously adopted last week by the Social Committee of the UN General Assembly now meeting in New York.

The Declaration climaxd several years of UN work on this document and was described by the Committee Chairman, Mrs Mara Radic of Yugoslavia, as one of the most important actions taken by the world Organization.

The preamble of the Declaration states that discrimination still existing against women is incompatible with human dignity and with the welfare of family and society. Equal rights, it says, must be applied in all fields, including acquisition and control of property, and especially in the marriage choice of spouses, a say in the rearing of children of marriage, and the right to divorce.

Supt. Nils Gronberg proudly displaying the trophy won by the Swedish Civilian Police in the UNCVIPOL. Football competition recently concluded. The trophy is called the “Canney Cup” in honor of its donor, it will remain in the permanent possession of the winners who were undefeated throughout the series. The opening of the UNCVIPOL Club was the occasion of the presentation. There were at least 100 persons present. All contingents were represented.

SAD DAY

AT “HAPPY” VALLEY
FOR UNFICYP
HQs TEAM

Happy Valley, Episcoipi proved to be a not so happy valley for HQ UNFICYP where they were overwhelmed by York & Lancs Regt to the tune of 9 goals to 1 on Wednesday 18 October, in the second major match of the season.

Dominating the play right from the start, York & Lancs opened the scoring in the 7th minute and increased their lead shortly afterwards.

HQ’s centre-half, Taylor was carried off in the 10th minute with cartilage trouble and the reshuffled defence were never allowed to settle down by the rampaging forwards of 1 York & Lancs.

Using the long ball down the middle to good effect, 1 York & Lancs scored at frequent intervals. Only brilliant goalkeeping by HQ’s goalkeeeper Bracey kept the score down to 4 — 0 at half-time.

In the second half, 1 York & Lancs piled on the pressure using the open spaces intelligently and pinning HQ’s defence into making defensive errors. Again it was the sterling work of goalkeeper Braeey which foilled 1 York & Lancs reaching double figures.

Watson, HQ’s right half played very well in this half but even he could not stem the flood. HQ’s centre forward Davies got a consolation goal late in the game.

FINLAND

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UNITED NATIONS DAY

U Thant urges reassessment of world values today

Every year, on 24 October, nations all over the world observe UN Day, a date on which the United Nations Charter came into effect in 1945.

On this occasion, UN Secretary-General, U Thant, issued the following message:

When the Charter of the United Nations was written twenty-two years ago, those who signed it in the name of the peoples of the world proclaimed one overriding objective: to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and to build a world of social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom for all.

For the attainment of this goal, there were agreed standards of conduct which may be summarized in these few words: good will, neighbourliness, tolerance and the acceptance of lawful procedures in international life.

As we look at the world around us today, we cannot but recognize that the promises of the Charter, in the field of economic and social advancement as much as in the field of international political relationships, are far from fulfilled. Two decades after the nations of the world agreed "to apply international measures for the promotion of economic and social advancement of all peoples", hunger, poverty and disease still haunt more than two-thirds of mankind, and the gap between the rich and the poor is widening to the point of despair. At the same time, two decades after pledging "that armed forces shall not be used, save in the common interest", nations have not only been unable to abandon war as a means of protecting or promoting self-interest but, ominously, they seem, at times, to be on the brink of abandoning their faith in the Charter and in the validity or practicability of the world envisaged by it.

For this sorrowful and potentially disastrous state of affairs in the world of today, perhaps the chief factor responsible is what might be described as a state of mind or, rather, a state of moribund nationalism all over the world. The world, as it was accumulated, over the past two decades since the Charter was proclaimed, was in greater and greater potential for good as well as for evil, they have not acquired the corresponding sense of obligation towards others. It is this moral imbalance which is both responsible for, and is itself fed by, the "implementation-gap" between the promises proclaimed in the Charter and the actual practices of nations, large and small.

This Anniversary Day provides an opportunity for a stock-taking, both material and moral. It provides an opportunity for recalling the principles proclaimed twenty-two years ago and for reassessing their value in the world today. The way of life enjoyed by the Charter is no mere philosophical dream. Ideals, in the long run, have always turned out to be mankind’s most practical and precious possessions. In a world bristling with means of massive destruction such ideals have now become the only alternative to self-destruction. Let us, therefore, on this day reaffirm the wisdom of the way of life proclaimed in the United Nations Charter and determine to renew our efforts towards attaining it.

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