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IRISH WILL COME BACK

5th Inf Gp arrives next month

IRELAND has announced that it will replace its contingent with the United Nations Force in Cyprus although in a reduced number of men.

Consequently, as the 42nd Irish Infantry Battalion continued to turn over positions and patrol duties to the 1st Bn, The Grenadier Guards, of the British Contingent, approximately 500 officers and other ranks were being assembled in Ireland to form the 5th Infantry Group which is scheduled to join UNFICYP ranks in October.

The advance party of the 5th Infantry Group is expected to arrive in Nicosia between 4 and 5 of next month and the main body should begin to join UNFICYP about 19 October.

With the arrival of the new Irish contingent, a new deployment of some of the Force is expected to take place.

In the meantime, on 27 September UNFICYP's Paphos District ceased to be operational as the members of the British Contingent completed their take-over from the Irish 42nd Battalion.

On the occasion of the turnover of duties in Paphos, the Force Chief of Staff, Brig. A. J. Wilson, acting on behalf of the Force Commander who is away for a brief visit to Europe, sent the following personal message to

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Rotations in full swing

Rotation of the different national contingents with the United Nations Force in Cyprus is in full swing — and farewells and greetings are the almost daily order of the day throughout the Island.

Rotation of the Canadian Contingent began Sunday afternoon with the arrival of a 125-man advance party from the 2nd Bn, Canadian Guards on board a Royal Canadian Air Force Yukon that flew them here from Trenton, Ontario. The advance party of the 1st Bn, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada — returning to Canada after a six-month tour with UNFICYP — left on the same craft on the way home. About 900 officers and men will fly each way in 11 flights beginning 26 September and ending 7 October.

The Reconnaissance Squad

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Macdonald named Commander UNIPOM

Maj. Gen. Bruce F. Macdonald, DSO CD, who, as Brigadier B. F. Macdonald, was the last Commander of UNFICYP's Nicosia Zone — from 15 April until 30 August when it ceased to be operation — left Nicosia on Sunday evening for Beirut en route to head the new United Nations India—Pakistan Observation Mission (UNIPOM).

It was a big night for the popular UNFICYP officer when he received news on Friday last of both promotion and appointment.

And, it was a big evening on Sunday when Canada's High Commissioner to Cyprus, Mr. Thomas Wainman-Wood, the Force COS, Brigadier A. J. Wilson, and other UNFICYP officials, joined the Commander of the Canadian Contingent with UNFICYP, Col. J. L. Drewry and other Canadian officers in toasting Maj. Gen. Macdonald at the Nicosia airport minutes before his departure for Beirut from where he proceeded to Cairo and New Delhi en route to his new area of U.N. duty.

Speaking to reporters at the airport, Maj. Gen. Macdonald said he was facing a "very challenging and stimulating appointment". He said that however

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European visit for Commander

THE Force Commander, General K.S. Thimayya DSO, left Nicosia on Sunday for a ten-day private visit to Europe.

He is presently attending a meeting of the Council of the Yugoslav Veterans Federation which is being held in Sarajevo, Yugoslavia from 27 to 30 September. He is a Vice-President of the World Veterans Federation.

On Monday, 1 October, Gen. Thimayya will go to Dijon-nes-Bains (France) where he will attend a meeting of the Institute of Strategic Studies — a non-governmental international institution of which he is one of the Vice-Presidents.

The Commander plans to return to Nicosia on Wednesday, 6 October. The Force Chief of Staff, Brigadier A.J. Wilson MBE, MC, is acting for the Commander until he returns to Cyprus.
New personnel chief for HQ UNFICYP

The new chief of military personnel at HQ UNFICYP, Finnish Lt. Col. Rafael Rajas was born in Elimaki Finland in 1920 graduated from Lahden Lycee in 1938, entered the Finnish Military Academy 1940-41 and the Finnish Defence Force Staff College 1963-65. Lt. Col. Rajas served in the WW as OC of an Infantry Coy in the front lines and after the war as engineer officer in Infantry Regiments Nos. 9 and 2. During the years 1963-1964 he served as chief of section in the Finnish Eng. Regiment and 1st Division. Just a year ago he transferred to HQ Military Headquarters of North Finland where he acted as C of B of the HQ. He was promoted to Lt. Col. in 1964.

Lt. Col. Rajas is married, father of three children and his main hobbies are marksmanship, choir-singing and sports.

Photographer Photographed

Yutaka Nagata, UN OFP photographer, recently visited UNFICYP. "Gil" Mathangi, field work, Gil got a touch of photographic fever and proceeded to cover Nagata's coverage.

From the top, left to right: Yutaka, or "Pepto" as he is known, gets a bit muddy as he zooms for the right angle and a shot of the men from six Member States serving with UNFICYP — from the left: Sweden, UK, Canada, Denmark, Finland and Ireland. The photo was taken at the MP Nicosia Zone Headquarters in Wartex Barracks. Rather close — nevertheless, Pepto Nagata tries to put a good shot of some sentry police dog training exercises at the Swedish Contingent's 'Chili Guard' Headquarters in Famagusta.

Photographer follows movement of a re-supply unit which services UNFICYP posts in the Kyrenia range which are manned by the Canadian Contingent. Hope the brakes are good! Nagata continues before a heavily armed personnel carrier belonging to the Swedish contingent.

PARTING GIFT — One of the last tasks performed by Headquarters, Nicosia Zone, before the unit disbanded and returned to Canada was the presentation of a cheque to Captain Brown of the Red Cross Hospital for Sick Children in Kyrenia. Cheque for $26,000 from the officers' mess and $500 from the men's canteen raised the total contributed by the unit to over $500,000 from the Special Hospital Budget. In the presentation ceremony, Captain Brown, Captain L. L. D. L. L. P. S. (CDM) presented the cheque to the Canadian officers' mess for one of the crippled children.
The Lusignan Dynasty - Marshalling

by Major O.M.H. Heuflhausen

The Lusignans were kings of Jerusalem and Cyprus, and they continued to use this title after the fall of Acre in 1291. Their kingdom was divided into the counties of Edessa and Edessa, and they also held the kingdom of Jerusalem. In 1306, the Lusignan prince, Philip of Taranto, succeeded his father, who had died in 1303, as king of Cyprus. Philip was the last direct descendant of the Lusignan dynasty.

Another way of marshalling is to use the term "quartermaster." An early 14th-century source claims that the Lusignans were the most important in 1 and 2 Lusignans in 12 and 3 could only be seen above the entrance to the old Arab/Byzantine Palace of Nicosia — where it is now. It is not known who or why.

In 1367 Peter I was recognized as King of Armenia. The Lusignans were considered the 25th coat of arms of Armenia, and they took over the seat of knighthood in the Golden Fleece (1563). The Lusignan coat of arms is a red lion with a gold shield and a blue banner.


15 cent stamp of the new issue
**Doctor battles 12 hours to save Finn's life**

The patient, Raine Merialinen from Sortkam, Lapland-Finnland, was brought to the Rennal Hospital in Nizheinino for emergency treatment. Due to the hospital's limited resources, only Dr. N. E. Nardaradsky, Commandant of the hospital, was able to perform the surgery. Dr. N. E. Nardaradsky, a true hero, worked non-stop for 12 hours to save the patient's life.

**NEWS IN FINNISH**

**A Squirt clock up three years in Middle East**

Consequently upon the recent deployment of U.S. Forces, A/Squadron 14/20 of the Kuwaiti Air Force has withdrawn from Lefkas District to pursue their campaign at Zyzzi prior to taking up a new role in Limassol Zone. The Squadron, now under the command of an experienced officer, has been stationed in the Middle East for over three years, having previously served in the British Army. This new role in the Limassol Zone will no doubt add another chapter to their already impressive military history.

**Ostakaa YK-Solimo**

The squadron of armed forces stationed in YK-Solimo, under the command of Maj. N. R. N.O. R. O'Brien, has successfully completed their mission. The squadron's pilots, equipped with advanced fighter jets and ground support equipment, have been instrumental in maintaining peace and stability in the region.

**Above: The squadron in action — by courtesy of the Suffolk Trust, Lieutenant Jeremy Hope at the wheel, whilst Trooper Douglas locks his eyes on Lufthansa Continental, O'Brien on tour behind. Some of the Huskies performing the "acrobatics" under a cologne two tops, within only a few days of first doming water hose.**
**Svenskt-spanskt brölop**


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**Gen. Thimayya till Europa**

**Force Commander, general Thimayya, R.C. on sabbatical in Tuscania in Italy; he will attend a meeting of the NATO Council in Naples, Italy, and visit the World Veterans Federation.**

General Thimayya är Vice-President i World Veterans Federation. Han fortsätter sedan till Pierre van Bokhoven i Frankrike för ett möte på The Institute of Strategic Studies, där han också är Vice-President.

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**Non-Proliferation Vital - U Thant**

A 5 the U.N. General Assembly began its meeting in New York, the Secretary-General, U Thant, made public his annual report on major international programs — in the Introduction to his Annual Report to the Assembly.

In his report he said that preventing a further spread of nuclear weapons was the most urgent question of the present time. He also urged the extension of the partial nuclear test ban of 1963 to underground tests, and Assembly approval of proposals for a world disarmament conference open to all nations. There was little hope for progress, U Thant said, without participation of all major military powers.

The Secretary-General said that the high hopes aroused by the 1963 disarmament agreements had been greatly diminished by the conference’s international situation — and particularly by the escalation of the conflict in Viet-Nam. U Thant urged that clear rules be worked out to guide future peace-keeping operations, particularly as their numbers increased.

Meanwhile, he said, the financial situation of the United Nations remained precarious.

The Secretary-General noted that the U.N. peace-keeping efforts in the Palestinian area had, and more recently in Cyprus, had played an indispensable role in keeping the peace, but that should not obscure the need for fundamental settlements.

In connection with the U.N. Peace Force in Cyprus, the Secretary-General made public another report later in the week in which he said that if substantial progress was not made soon, the United Nations might be forced to terminate the force if it is not renewed soon, the United Nations might be forced to terminate the force.

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**IRISH RETURN**

Leif E. J. Delaney, Communist of the 42nd Div., said that heads of UNIFCYP wishes you good luck and頑约 for all your help and cooperation during your tour.

"Your efforts in Paphos have contributed to the successful conclusion of the peace process in Cyprus and we are grateful for all your hard work in maintaining the peace." He wished you well on your return to Ireland.

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**COMING...GOING**

Ron of the Royal Canadian Dragons also will be rotated at this time — an advanced party of 14 arrived on Monday afternoon.

Commanding the Canadian Guards from Camp Petawawa, Ontario will be Lt. Col. C. V. Carton. The Roving Squaddron of the R.C.D. from Camp Otago, N.Z., is expected to arrive.

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**Macdonald**

He was doing quite well as confidence with UNIFCYP is being boosted by a group of highly qualified professional military — "all soldiers who have gone through either the Second World War or the Korean War, thus truly aware of the human suffering that prevails during war periods and, consequently, must play the professional soldier."
Assembly opens general debate

Last week, while the United Nations was waiting to see if the cease-fire would be achieved between India and Pakistan, the General Assembly opened its XX annual session at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

By week's end, the Assembly had taken action to approve a draft resolution endorsing 100 different issues—including the "Question of Cyprus"—and allocated them to its various committees.

In his first address to the Assembly, Mr. Fanfani spoke of the "grave hours the whole world was at present going through" with battles breeding "spasms and wars" unless forces of United Nations members involved. He said the United Nations must act to put an end to this "terrible reality".

Mr. Fanfani also urged new efforts to ban all nuclear weapons tests and to prevent the further dissemination of nuclear weapons. Another urgent task, he said, was to bridge the growing gap between rich and poor nations.

The General Assembly later in the week opened its overall debate on the world order of the day. Among the first speakers were the heads of the United States and the Soviet Union delegations.

Addressing the Assembly on Thursday, Assistant Secretary-General Arthur Goldberg of the United States said the India-Pakistan cease-fire proved once again that the United Nations was a decisive peace-maker.

The U.S. Representative also declared that the People's Republic of China, by word and deed, "proved again the standing of the United Nations and was unfit for U.N. membership.

Mr. Goldberg said in South Viet-Nam his country was "simultaneously helping the nation resist Communist aggression", and reaffirmed that the U.S. was ready for unconditional negotiations, but said there had so far been no reply from the opposing side.

On disarmament, Mr. Goldberg said the most urgent task was to halt the spread of nuclear weapons. He also urged a nuclear freeze and pointed out cut back military nuclear material and delivery vehicles.

The U.S. delegate pledged continued support for United Nations economic aid programs and said his country would continue to lend a substantial amount of capital through multi-lateral channels. Stressing his Government's efforts to build a great society for its own citizens, Mr. Goldberg concluded with the hope that 20 years hence the United Nations could look back on a generation of accomplishments in the shaping of a great society of and for all men.

Speaking in the Assembly's policy debate, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko:

- placed before the General Assembly a draft treaty that would prevent atomic weapons from spreading beyond the present five nuclear powers.
- introduced a draft declaration against foreign intervention in the internal affairs of other states.
- expressed great satisfaction at the Indian-Pakistani cease-fire.

Under the Soviet non-proliferation nuclear draft, nuclear States would be allowed to maintain a nuclear capability for national defense as long as it was under an "allied command." Non-nuclear States would bind themselves not to acquire atomic weapons or to associate with them through alliances.

The Soviet non-intervention declaration would be directed against armed or other interference, particularly when designed to curb a national independence struggle. Mr. Gromyko cited as one instance of such intrusion the U.S. action in Viet-Nam which he again described as aggression.

In Geneva, the United Nations Trade and Development Board decided to hold a one-day special session at United Nations Headquarters in New York next month to recommend a permanent location of the Secretariat of the Conference on Trade and Development.

The Board had recommended earlier that Geneva be the location.

India requested that the Council set a new deadline in view of the late hour of Pakistan's reply to enable it to issue appropriate orders to its field commanders. Following brief consultations the Council President, Ambassador Arthur Goldberg of the United States, announced that the Council members agreed that the two parties be called upon to implement the cease-fire as soon as possible, and in any case no later than 1800 hours (New York time) the same day.

In announcing Pakistan's acceptance of the demanded cease-fire, Pakistan's Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz reaffirmed his Government's resolve to secure self-determination for the people of Jammu and Kashmir. Peace and stability in the Indian-Pakistani cease-fire was welcomed by the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Adisrusto, who said it allowed the Assembly to begin its work under happy auspices.

The President said he was sure it injected new sentiments of all Members of the Assembly in congratulating the parties for their cooperative spirit.

In the 20 September resolution adopted by the Council, the Secretary-General was asked to provide necessary assistance to ensure the implementation of the cease-fire and withdrawal.

To carry out this task, U Thant took steps to set up a team of about 100 military observers along with about 60 supporting personnel. An advance party of 30 observers on loans from the Palestine truce observation mission left for the subcontinent on Thursday. Steps also were taken to strengthen the U.N. military observer team in Kashmir.

In a report to the Security Council issued later in the week, the Secretary-General said that five countries had already promised observers for the Indian-Pakistani cease-fire.

New home for Trade Board?

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However, the question was re-opened to take into consideration offers for the permanent location of the headquarters in Rome, Addis Ababa, Lagos and London, as well as any other offers which may be received before the end of the month.

KASHMIR:

India - Pakistan accept UN's cease fire order

A cease-fire between India and Pakistan demanded by the United Nations Security Council was accepted last week by both countries. India's attitude was conditioned by similar acceptance by Pakistan, was received by the Secretary-General.

Thursday, on the night of 20 September, Pakistan's acceptance was conveyed verbally to the Council by its Foreign Minister, Mr. Bhutto, minutes before 2.00 a.m. (New York time) on Wednesday, 21 September, set by the Security Council in its resolution adopted on Monday morning, 20 September, which also demanded withdrawal of armed personnel to positions held before fighting broke out early in August.

West Pakistani border. U Thant addressed six countries were making a total of 50 observers available to reinforce the Kashmir group.

Finland makes further UNFICYP contribution

The Government of Finland will make a further contribution of $50,000 to meet the costs of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus.

In a letter dated 16 September, received by the Secretary-General, U Thant, the Permanent Representative of Finland, Mr. M. L. W. Lindbom, said that his Government's decision to make this further contribution was subject to parliamentary approval.

Golf Club Membership for UNFICYP Staff

The Pendagai Golf Course of Cyprus Mines Corporation once again has extended Associate Member facilities (seasonal dues, £250) to the military and civilian personnel of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus.

Pendagai has a nine-hole course — with clubhouse located near the seacoast close to Xeros.

The Club's golf season runs from October through May — and the first competition in November. Associate members will be eligible to play is the Monthly Medal which is scheduled for Sunday, 1 October.

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