REDUCTION IN BRITISH CONTINGENT
26 Med Regt to return home

The British Contingent in UNFICYP is to be reduced to between 1100 and 1200 men.

Those staying in Cyprus will include one infantry battalion, an armoured car squadron, a flight of army aircraft, 4 RAF helicopters and a substantial contribution both to HQ UNFICYP and to the logistic support of the Force.

With effect from yesterday 26 Medium Regiment Royal Artillery ceased to form part of UNFICYP and will return to England as soon as transport can be arranged.

The Life Guards will be reduced to the strength of one squadron as soon as arrangements to relieve them can be made.

Headquarters 3 Division and Signals will be relieved on an individual basis in the course of the next six weeks.

FINNISH SOLDIERS INJURED

On Tuesday 23rd June Private Urho Sahberg of the Finnish contingent of UNFICYP received severe head injuries when, riding his motorcycle, he came into collision with a telegraph pole. Sahberg, who is 24 and comes from Helsinki, is at present in Nicosia General Hospital.

Another Finnish soldier, 25yr old Private Raimo Valkonen from Mikkeli, was wounded in the arm by a sten gun on Wednesday 24th June. The accident occurred at a road block near the racecourse in north western Nicosia when a police officer dropped his sten gun which accidentally went off. Pvt Valkonen is now in the medical centre at the Kykkos Camp.

TWO THOUSAND POUNDS REWARD FOR MAJOR MACEY - DRIVER PLATT

The British government have decided to offer a reward of up to £2,000 for information leading to the discovery of Major Edward Macey and Driver Leonard Platt, who were last seen in the Panhandle area of north east Cyprus on Sunday 7 June 1964, and evidence regarding those concerned with their abduction.

Mr Lundwall, who is the police adviser to the Commander, has stated that in his experience this is an unusual case. Normally in cases of this nature, he said, there is too much information but in this one there has been very little and during the last week none at all.

Here is a typical scene of the midday Press Conference held at the United Nations Information Office in Wolseley Barracks, Nicosia.

Reporters from various countries of the world come to the conference to get information for their papers at home.

They are told of recent developments and details of any statement or decisions made by UNFICYP senior officials and any other news concerning the Force. They also hear anything of military importance particularly incidents in which UNFICYP soldiers have been concerned.

In the last part of the conference the floor is given to the reporters who then ask questions, often very difficult and leading ones and this develops into a battle of wits.

At left foreground is Mr Ortiz, the UNFICYP Principal Information Officer, and on his right is Lt Col Howe, the Military Public Information Officer. These two officials conduct the Press Conferences and are assisted by the Public Relations Officers from each contingent of the Force.
**CYPRUSCOPE**

**WHAT'S IN A NAME**

How many of you have ever wondered how the word “Cypriot” came into existence?

The name, for example, was the subject of much multilateral discussion. It was even rumoured that the Editor was going to Washington to talk with President Johnson about the subject.

On the first day of publication the newspaper “Lay in Bed” in the morning edition, for saying it is the best way to prepare for a meeting and it is still had no definite name put forward for the title. We had favoured “Blue Be” right from the start, but the highest odds against.

At the last minute — a race between a double and a unanimously Security Council decided on “Lay in Bed” from New York which said: “On reconsideration here it has been agreed you may refer to the title with sub-heading “Unifed” which will be printed in large letters in the body of the text.

Our resolution was successful and our influence now spread for the cover in the “Cypriot” in the Sand Dune in Gaza will be titled “Lay in Bed.”

Blue Be not to be commercial

We thank all those who have sent advertisements for inclusion in our weekly newspapers, including some which would help us to increase our readership and for the policy is that the “Blue Be” will not become commercial.
BRITISH CONTINGENT PLAY DANISH CONTINGENT

3 Div — 2 Danes — 4

The game began very fast and promised to be a good one. Just to prove this the Danes scored after five minutes. The British team were not put out by this fast goal and L/Cpl Kershaw equalised after ten minutes. The score at half time stood at 1 each.

After fifteen minutes in the second half the British scored again of Grohman. After the second goal the Danes became a little uncertain and their passes often went wild. But this was only a passing phase for within fifteen minutes to go they slammed home an excellent goal! This gave them more confidence and they put on the pressure. Just before the final whistle the Danes put another two between the posts to win.

The British Contingent team consisted mainly of drivers and craftsmen from the 3 Division MT Troop. Although they played well they did not have the same speed and ball control as the Danes. Fordyce, Broder and Loni played good games and had good control over the ball too. Sgt Dunn and L/Cpl Kershaw played well, the latter only just missing the goal on several attempts to score. But the Danes' speed and accurate footwork won the day.

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Due to unforeseen difficulties it was not possible to publish the ‘Blue Beret’ this week on Monday.

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