NEW COMMANDER FOR SECTOR 3

Two weeks ago Mr George Sherry, the Principal Officer in the Office of the Under Secretary General for Special Political Affairs at the United Nations Headquarters in New York visited Cyprus to bring himself up to date on what was happening on the Island. During his visit he toured all the Sections to see at first hand what conditions the men in the Contingents had to live under and the problems they had to face. He is seen above inspecting a Quarter Guard with his commander Sergeant Vignati when he arrived in Wolsey Barracks at the start of his tour in Sector 4.

Rotation time in Sector 3 this month marks the end of tour for the Contingent Commander Colonel O Lomnes. He has been relieved by Lieutenant Colonel P Swahn who assumed command of the Finnish Contingent and Sector 3 at a short ceremony in Kykko Camp last Saturday. Colonel Lomnes is seen with the Force Commander, Major General J J Quinn, when he introduced his successor.
FAREWELL AND GOOD-BY FOR BATTALION 63 C

The time has come for the Swedish Battalion 63C to say farewell. The six months of service with United Nations has ended and on the 28th of April the last flight left Cyprus, and flew back to the Swedish Spring which as feared meant a rather cold welcome.

During weeks before the rotation the Post Office was almost full with parcels containing suits, books and many other mementos all destined for Sweden. One of the more original ways of taking home their memories from Cyprus was a motor-cycle tour taken by seven Swedish soldiers who shortly after their arrival in Sweden did a return trip to Cyprus through Europe.

The men of the battalion saved about £300,000 but spent a considerable amount on Clothing, Stereo and Camera equipment and also on sight-seeing. The most popular places outside Cyprus for leave have been Israel, Kenya and the Seychelles. Over 70% of the men of the battalion are positive they would like to return for another six month tour in UNFICYP sometime.

One of the last official occasions took place when Sgt. Thomas Broberg was awarded with a MP badge in recognition of the assistance he gave to two Military Policemen during a brawl in Nicosia.

DANCON NEWS


HQ Coy of Dancon XXVI arranged a very successful party in the Police Club garden on the occasion of Her Majesty Queen Margrethe's birthday on 16th April. Guests of honour were the Danish Ambassador Thorning-Petersen and his wife, who are seen here with Lieutenant Colonel P B Krogén and Private O P F Jensen.

Of. G. Bladberg, tiltrædende chef for DANCON XXVII, has viert på besøg her sammen med den nuværende kontingentchef, O.P. B. Krogén.

Lieutenant Colonel G Bladberg (left) the new Commander of the Danish Contingent has recently visited Dancon, and is seen here with the present Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel P B Krogén.
NEW UNIT IN SECTOR TWO

The 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Rangers (27th (Innsbruck) 83rd and 87th) took over responsibility for Sector 2 on 18th April 1977. The battalion has come to Cyprus from Little Rissington in Gloucestershire to start its second UN tour in Cyprus since its formation in 1969. It was previously in the Limassol-Paphos area in 1972. The Battalion is split as usual between the UN and the SBA.

SIGNAL OFFICER IN CHIEF LOOKS AT SIGNAL SQUADRON

AIR CORPS BRIGADIER VISITS UN FLIGHT

The Standby Section at the Box Factory, which is manned by A Company under Major Jim Condon, is seen here commanded by Capt Roy Kendal - veteran of two previous UN tours.

"OBST-BRANCH" AT WORK

So unglaublich es auch klingt, aber es ist, seit das AUSCON seine Dienststätte hier auf der Insel verlief nicht gelungen klären - daß Ops-Branche nichts mit Obst und Gemüse zu tun hat. Wir haben uns daher bemüht Ihnen im Bild einen Einblick in die vielfältigen Aktivitäten zu vermitteln.

Sollten Sie noch wie vor der Meinung sein, daß Ops und Obst dasselbe ist, so sehen wir mit Interesse Ihren scharfsichtigen Aussagenmachen entgegen. Für die wir bereits die Aktion 13 (wie Bild) vorbereitet haben. Unbedingt wünschen wir die gleiche Fähigkeit über sich selbst holen zu können.

Mr Sherry Visits Sector 5

Mr Sherry visited AUSCON on 28th April, and was shown round the camps in the Buffer Zone by Lieutenant Colonel Fritz the Battalion Commander.

APROPOS "LACHEN"-AUSCON "SPORT"

Die verschiedenen sportlichen Bewerbe der vorangegangenen Wochen wurden vom AUSCON mit lustigen Wettkämpfen abgeschlossen. Selbst dabei wurde noch guter Sport geleistet.
Mr. George Sherry, being received by a Quarter Guard under the Command of Sergeant Vigier on his arrival in Wooburn Barracks.

Members of the visiting team leaving OP OMORPHTA. (The members of the visiting team leave the OP OMORPHTA.

LES NOUVELLES CANCON

Les premières semaines de travail ici au Secteur 4 ont passé vite et facilement. Nous avons établi une routine, et la vie est redevenue à la normale après notre initiation. Le Régiment a reçu son premier visiteur, Mr. George Sherry du Quartier-Général des Nations Unies à New York, et a profité de cette visite comme une occasion de pratiquer le "VIP Drill". La plupart du temps, cependant, on est comme SOP. On court le matin, on fait nos devoirs, et on commence à goûter la vie ici à Chypre.

The first few weeks of work here in Sector 4 have gone by quickly and easily. We have established a routine, and life is back to normal after our initiation. The Regiment received its first visitor, Mr. George Sherry from UN Headquarters in New York, and got its first opportunity to practice the "VIP Drill". For the most part, however, life has been as per SOP. We run in the morning, as seen below, do our routine duties and begin to enjoy our tour of duty here in Cyprus.

SUOMI-RUOTSI MAAOTTELU

KYPROS LAWNAITTAIN


The biggest annual sports event in Sweden and Finland is the athletics competition between these two countries. In Cyprus this competition took place on a minor scale on the 17th of April in Nicosia. The events were fought out with enthusiasm and zeal, and the winner (in Cyprus) was FINLAND. In the picture above on the left, Kokkala of Sweden is throwing the javelin, and on the right, the last metres of the relay run. Below on the right, the Chief Logistics Officer of Finns, Major M. Leukkonen is seen congratulating the winners of the 100 metres run. They are from the left, Arveden/Sweden, Olofsson/Sweden (the winner) and Valo/Finnoo.

Below on the left, the winner of the 5000 metres run, Pte Pak-suvun.
AUSTRALIAN CIVILIAN POLICE CONTINGENTS CHANGE OVER

Swedish NCO's Assistance To UN MPs Recognised

On the night of 14/15 April the Military Police were called to an incident in a cabaret in Nicosia. In spite of abuse and obstruction from the others in the cabaret, one NCO physically assaulted the MP patrol. At a ceremony in front of his Company on 22 April in Odelia Camp, his Commander congratulated Sgt Thomas Broberg of 3 Company. The Force Provost Marshal also commented on his devotion to duty and physical and moral courage, and, on behalf of all ranks of the MP Coy, presented him with a medal taken from their emblem. Here he is being presented with an MP Coy and NCO flag.

During the past two weeks the 14th Australian Civilian Police Contingent has arrived in Cyprus to take over the UNCFPOLI tasks in Sectors One and Two. They take over from the Contingent led by Superintendent P. Luther, which has now been in UNFICYP for a little over one year.

The two contingents were pictured together after the ANZAC Day Memorial Service on Monday 25th April and are (back row) Sergeants Bradley, Wells, Thurger, Scott, Medlock, Cunnin, Neeves, Bethune, Angel, Oakman and Leister. (middle row) Sergeants Schank and Halloran, Inspectors Cole, Head, Brodie and McLavon, Sergeant Beattie (from front row) Inspectors Fausey, Bond, Storey, Superintendents Allason, Luther, Kelly, Inspectors Rossell, Jamieson, Streeter and Lawson. The 13th Contingent established the UNCFPOLI system of working in Sector One and Two following the redeployment of the Force in late 1975. Since then they have become the first Australian Commonwealth Police Unit to receive a unit citation for their work. They are also justifiably proud of their safe driving record; during their tour they have driven over 14,000 miles in UN vehicles, and have only had one accident — a parking accident in the Blue Beret Camp.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

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