NEW PLAN FOR VIET-NAM PEACE

UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL U THANT LAST WEEK made public a new formulation of his proposals for getting peace talks started on Viet-Nam. These proposals, which were addressed to all parties concerned in an aide-memoire dated 14 March, called for the following:

(a) A general standstill truce.
(b) Preliminary talks.
(c) Reconvining of the 1954 Geneva conference.

The Secretary-General recalled the three-point programme for getting negotiations started which he has been advocating for the past year. U Thant reasserted his conviction that the cessation of the bombing of North Viet-Nam continued to be a vital need “for moral and humanitarian reasons” and also as a step which could lead the way to meaningful talks. “I believe that if the bombing is stopped in a few weeks there would be talks,” he said.

His new proposals, he stressed, did not represent a fundamental change of position but a re-adaptation of his programme to suit the prevailing moods of the parties which had not accepted his original three points.

Regarding the establishment of a general standstill truce, U Thant said he did not envisage effective supervision as a practical possibility. He recognized, that without supervision, it was apt to be breached.

He suggested, however, that if all parties were genuinely motivated by considerations of peace and justice, it was to be expected they would exert an earnest effort to enforce the truce. In this context, he said, should a public appeal by the Secretary-General “in his personal capacity” be helpful, he would gladly make one. He thought similar appeals by a group of countries would also be worth considering.

Once a general standstill truce came into effect, said see back page

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFCYP FINANCES

ICELAND AND LAOS last week announced contributions to the finances of the United Nations Peace-keeping operation in Cyprus (UNFCYP). Iceland will contribute $2,000 and Laos will contribute $1,000.

WORLD MORE AWARE OF APARTHEID DANGERS

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SOUTH AFRICA’S RACIAL POLICIES celebrated its anniversary last week.

The Chairman, Mr. Achkar Marof, of Guinea, said that during the four years of hard work the Committee had achieved a number of concrete results.

He said the world was now more aware of the danger of apartheid and there was more solidarity — both political and humanitarian — to fight apartheid.

The Committee decided to ask for a detailed report on the observance last week of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and it also decided that its Chairman would represent the Committee at the International Conference on Apartheid to be held in Paris in May.

FRANCE RESTATES PEACE-KEEPING POSITION

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUED LAST WEEK IN THE WORKING GROUP OF the Special UN Committee dealing with peace-keeping operations and their financing.

Mr. Roger Seydoux of France re-stated his country’s view that the Security Council alone had the right to authorize actions involving enforcement and to decide on their financing. However, he supported a suggestion that the Council set up a finance committee to make recommendations on a method of financing.

For Canada, Mr. George Ignatieff expressed the belief that there was a basis for agreement on the establishment of some kind of finance committee to work out a formula for the apportionment of costs of peace-keeping operations.
FAMILIEBESOEГ

Det er familiebesøgsrejse til DANCON i denne dag, og det kan jo ikke gøre bedre, nu hvor det gode vejr tilfældeligt er blevet stabiliseret. Og chefen for DANCON, oberstløjtnant J. Ladegard-Mikkelsen, har forlænget besøget af sin familie, og på bopæl ses oberstløjtnant Lis Ladegard-Mikkelsen, der ligesom oberstløjtnanten er en kendt rytter, datteren, freken Lotte Ladegard-Mikkelsen, og præstenløjtnant L. Ravager i samtale med en af C-kampengets vægtagere, konstabel Erik Schmitt fra Slesvigs Fejerskommando i Randers.

VAGTEN PÅ UNIFICYP

Det er DANCON, der før tiden bestreger vagtstuen på hovedsæ- nen/UNIFICYP. Fra hvert selskab har kommandofolket fra underløjtnanter til plotterskifer og manden, der står for salgsopgaverne.

KLARGØRING AF KOERETOÆJE

DANCONs koeretoæje bliver i denne tid fremsat til effekten hos den motorsygdomme, major V. Skander Hansen. Her ses fra C-kampengets motorfælde, der selv kaldet sig "Streberne", i først med at krigere en løp til det forskellige effekten. De har alle været på Cypern på både hold IV, V og VI, og det er øjendes tv. overkaptajen Af Kjødens fra Slesvigs Kavaleriregiment i København over.

DANCON-NVT

BESOEГ FRA DANMARK


Bo Lindstrom och Alvar Johansson


Kampet har taget sin mesterklas fra- furlit i buggerne, men Bo Lindström har også placert ham som kompani- mester i bordmøn.


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Men Bo Lindströms langa ruv av mesterklas før blur med det- ta. Som tidigare nämns er bå- rade han fins kompanis mester- klassepynt i bordmøn, singel og dobbel. Och så kvarans på viktor- forstoppningen i det stora Fams- gards stafettkarup samt der finnas av allé, lagningen i Århus Walk Aba- ut, den engelska viktorforstopp- ningar i Eksjö, där sam- manlagda bilbåtningen blev närmare 16 mil!

Alvar Johanssons mentene är inte mycket större. Han fyller STR-komp och tjänstesidan där som båtlinne till stafettforstoppningen och onsdagen. Trots det mycket bättre, med en större del av hans i likhet med Bo Lindströms något av ett konditori- denmon. Han kan på sin bröst slita för det första en rad medaljer från sitt kompanis mesterklas- ställningar. Där vann han 400m, 1000 m, 1500 m, 3000 m samt stafett- ten. I bataljonmesterklasen tog han fem guld i terräng, 1500 m samt i gruppsattdrag. Där- och till andragrupperingar på 500 m och 300 m.

Alvar Johansson blev den trettio-segrare i UNIFICYP-mesterklasen i terrängejring, där han fick ta emot tva guldmedaljer, en individuell och en lagmedalj. Också hans presentation topper av samma stora segrar som Bo Lindströms.

Kommandant i Fams gards stafett- karup och Århus Walk About.

Genom man Bo Lindström och Alvar Johansson, bataljon 36 Cs två främsta idrottsman.

Bo Lindström t v och Alvar Johansson med några av sina idrottsliga utmärkelser erobrede hér på Cypern. Den färre, silverskålen av Arle Walk About, hafte de åtta inte fátt när denna boks tids.
BRITISH CONTINGENT NEWS

AIR CHIEF WITH UNFICYP FLIGHT

The Commander, 2 Wing and Flight Commander UNFICYP Force, Col. John Lover, the NCO in-charge of technical and aviation services at Base "B" Block, laid the groundwork for the operation.

During his visit, Mr. Paterson was able to see the 'jocks' in action and was impressed with the professionalism of the UNFICYP's Linassad Echo during the past month. UNFICYP Force, one of the two UNFICYP sub-units in the Near East.

JOURNALIST VISITS THE 'JOCKS'

LIFE HAS PRIORITY

A LTHOUGH the summer months normally bring about a decrease in the number of accidents, the summer months are the time when the number of drivers on the road increases. It is important to remember that safe driving is not just a matter of following the rules of the road, but also of being aware of the conditions that may affect your ability to drive safely.

SLIPPERY CONDITIONS

The vehicle is almost at a standstill, and this is particularly important on slippery surfaces as it considerably reduces the risk of skidding.

Approach curves on a slippery road in the same manner. When looking at the wheels they will only increase the risk of skidding. To keep the wheels on the road, you must increase the speed of the vehicle slightly to help maintain traction with the road. If you are not familiar with the area, it is recommended that you seek assistance from a professional driver or a local police officer.

Transport for the Irish Contingent gets a critical examination by (from right): Sgt. Tim Connolly and Capt. Pat Scannell, 8th Inf. Gp, while Pte. Reg O'Neill and Capt. Pat Kelleher of the 7th account for their stewardship.

NEW GROUP TAKES STOCK OF DISTRICT

During the past week, the advance party of the 5th Infantry Group has been kept extremely busy. The Commanding Officer, Lt.-Col. James Barry, his Company Commanders and his administrative and technical staff have been taking full stock of the situation in the Lefka District. Rebuilds and inspections of the bases have been taking place, full preparations for the arrival and deployment of the main body have been completed. A smooth transfer of units is assured.

Irish Contingent this week says farewell and thanks to its correspondents for the past six months, Comdt. Pat McGann and wishes them a safe and pleasant journey home.

IRISH CONTINGENT NEWS


Signalman William Buckley of Wexford has his new group markings adjusted by Sgt. Michael Lacey. Both have transferred from 7th to 8th Inf. Gp to complete two consecutive tours of duty in Cyprus.
SIETSEMAS SUOMALAINEN KYPROksen PATALJOONA

JOSSAKIN MUUALLA MAAILMASSA kuuluvat käytännön silkkijauko, kun muurattuja ja vastaavia ajoja mitattavia, mitä tulevat, rontolaiset räätelä ja YKS:n järjestelymuiden mukaan. Nyt on olemassa uusi ulottuneet virkistystapa: rotuita on taka autopolut ja käytännön pataljoona nimen YKS 7.

Vaadotulta tuominnasta on 252 lähetetyt takaisin Suomeen, joista on sellut tulleet 231, ja jounutut 115. Muita on autettu YKS:n avulla erikseen siihen, että tulossa on kääntöön lähikseen. 175 rotuita on taka autopoluteineen, ja vastaavaa räätettä on noin 112. Muita on autettu YKS:n avulla erikseen siihen, että tulossa on kääntöön lähikseen.

Tämä rotua on ollut erityisesti autettu edellisenä komiteen, joka tuli huomattavasti 17-juhlaa, 83 alueeseen. 188 miljaa painosta pohjalaisuudessa ja 216 miljaa asukkaita. Pois liittämässä vetoomustapahtumien saivat esiin erityisen maatonta pataljoonaa, erityisesti Luoton ja Huutokaupunkilaisuus, jotka on liitellä, käyttäen Keskustaa, jossa oli kunnalliskasvatuksen yhteisessä tilaisuudessa majuri Jukka. 23-juhla oli paivityspaikka Kyprikoille.

Edellinen vuonna käytettiin esimerkiksi Kansan Suunnan yhteisötä ja yihteenliitettä. 17-juhlat ovat maanviljelyä ja jälleenmyynnin tilaisuudessa.

Bleu Beretin toimittajat voivat tapahtua YKS 7 ilmeisesti kaikenlaisessa ja rääteläisissä tilaisuuksissa, rasitossa paluuta, jossa liitetään vähintään vuonna 1985 ja vuonna 1986.
FORCE ASSIST IN RELIEF OF TURKISH CONTINGENT

THE RELIEF OF PART OF THE TURKISH National Contingent in the island took place between 0730 and 2230 hours on 31 March 1967. Inland transportation, escorts and observers were provided by the United Nations Force in Cyprus.

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U Thant, the parties should begin preliminary talks which he felt could take any of the following forms:

(i) Direct talks between the United States and the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam.
(ii) Direct talks between those two Governments with participation of the United Nations.
(iii) Direct talks between the two Governments and the representatives of the United Nations.
(iv) Direct talks between the two Governments at the invitation of the Secretary-General.

The aim of the talks, said the Secretary-General, should be to agree on the timing, place, agenda and participants in a subsequent formal meeting - the reconvening of the Geneva conference - with the sole purpose of returning to the essentials of the 1954 agreement.

He urged that the question of who should participate in the formal meeting should not be allowed to obstruct a settlement. He particularly stressed that there could be no useful discussions on ending hostilities and no new political situation would result in South Viet-Nam without the participation of both the Government in Saigon and the National Liberation Front of South Viet-Nam.

Immediately after the press conference, the United States mission issued the text of a reply the U.S. Government had addressed to the Secretary-General on 18 March.

For its part, the United States accepted the Secretary-General's three-step proposal for a general truce, preliminary discussions, and reconvening of the Geneva conference.

It would contribute to serious negotiations, it said, if an effective ceasefire, as a first element in the proposal, could be promptly negotiated.

The United States, it declared, was prepared to enter into such discussions immediately and constructively.

It added that the Government of South Viet-Nam would have to be appropriately involved throughout, and the interests of U.S. allies would also have to be taken fully into account.

VIET-NAM WAR POISONING

MEKONG WORK

DURING HIS PRESS CONFERENCE AT UN HEADQUARTERS, IN NEW YORK, last week, Secretary-General U Thant gave an answer to a question about the effect of the Viet-Nam war on the Mekong River Development Project, on which the UN is working, said the project was very much affected. (The Mekong River Project involves the riparian states of Laos, Cambodia, Thailand and Viet-Nam).

It was poisoning the atmosphere and he noted Cambodia had already shown itself very reluctant to participate.

POPE PAUL: Call for part of arms budgets to be devoted to underdeveloped areas.

UN VOICES SUPPORT FOR PAPAL IDEA

IN THE COURSE OF HIS PRESS CONFERENCE last week, the UN Secretary-General expressed wholehearted approval for a statement contained in Pope Paul's latest encyclical that industrialized countries should devote money from their arms expenditure to promote development of less developed countries.

Mr. B. R. Sen, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization, at a press conference in Rome on Thursday, also praised the Pope's encyclical.

Mr. Sen said it enunciated the principles on which the work of the Food and Agriculture Organization was based. If there were no F.A.O., he said, the encyclical on the Development of Peoples would almost serve as a basic guide to its creation.

STOP PRESS

SAIGON ACCEPTS U THANT PLAN

The Republic of Viet-Nam has accepted U Thant's proposals for Viet-Nam peace talks (see main story). In a note published at UN Headquarters, it stated that the Saigon government agrees "in principle" with the main points of U Thant's proposals. It suggests, however, that they could be more easily implemented if (1) Representatives of the "high command of the government forces" and those of the Republic of Viet-Nam armed forces should meet at the Demilitarized Zone or any other point, and (2) instead of holding preliminary talks a full-fledged conference, with participation of all interested governments, be held as soon as possible after a truce is effected.

PHILATELIC CORNER

UNPA PLAN EXPO ISSUE

The UN postal administration are issuing a new commemorative stamp on 19 June to mark "International Tourist Year." The stamp will be printed in six colours, in denominations of 5 and 15 cents, in quantities of 2,900,000 and 2,600,000 respectively.

When EXPO'67 (Canadian Universal and International Exhibition), opens in Montreal on 28 April, five special definitive U.N. stamps will be issued to provide first class and airmail service from the Pavilion on the United Nations. The designs for the 4 cent, 5 cent, 10 cent and 15 cent stamps were taken from the relief panels on the doors donated by the Government of Canada to the United Nations in 1951.

The 8 cent stamp shows the façade of the Pavilion on the United Nations at EXPO '67 (see picture). These stamps will be made available to collectors at UNICEF Headquarters after 28 April 1967. First day covers will also be available.