8th October 1975

MR. WECKMANN-MUNOZ LEAVES CYPRUS

The Secretary-General of the United Nations has regretfully announced that his Special Representative in Cyprus, Mr Luis Weckmann-Munoz of Mexico, has asked to be relieved of his post in order to return to his country’s diplomatic service.

He was appointed Special Representative by Dr Waldheim on 26th May 1974. Since then he has been very fully involved with the reactivation of the inter-communal talks preceding the coup, maintaining diplomatic contacts during the fighting, the obtaining of a ceasefire and in arranging and taking part in the humanitarian talks and later in the talks on the substance of the Cyprus problem in Vienna and New York.

Mr Weckmann-Munoz joined his country’s foreign service in 1952. He was made head of the United Nations Department of the Mexican Foreign Office and subsequently served with various Mexican embassies. His last post was as his country’s Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

It has now been learnt that he has been appointed Ambassador of Mexico to Iran and the Federation of the United Arab Emirates, and is expected to take up his new duties shortly.

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BESØG I APPELSINGPLANTAGERNE

Søndag d. 5. oktober aflagde Force Commander D. Prem Chand, PVSM, Indruget af Mr. R.E. Urschuldt, UN Under Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs, General C.E. Beattie, CMM, CD, og Senior Political Advisor, Dr. R. Gorge besøg ved DANCON.

Efter en kort briefing på OP POTAMOS kørte en tur ad patruljeporet, for at gæsterne ved selvevn kunne sætte sig ind i problemene i appelsingplantagerne.

DANCON NEWS

DANCON - MARCHEN

Weekend’en d. 27.—28. august.

Glade og velitilfredse starter alle ud lørdag morgen.

Søndre går det lidt langsommere.

Ej høje inspektør velfærdsinspektør LT K.S. Krag-Jensen valterne hos deltagere fra DANCON, SWEDCON, AUSCON og MP.
BRITCON NEWS

1 RTR GROUP LEAVE UNIFICYP

'BON VOYAGE'

The 1st Royal Tank Regiment are preparing to leave the force in the next 2 weeks, after a very full and at times a very hectic 6 months.

In their 6 months with the UN force they have been involved in numerous tasks and operations — none bigger than 'Operation Mayflower' some crews pictured during that operation are shown here.

Major W. J. Black, Camp UNIFICYP, Quartermaster is pictured here trying out a donkey's chair during Op Mayflower.

2. Capt M S Mackenzie (right) and WO 1 (RSMS) D J R Donohue watch the evacuation from Ferrari.
3. Lt Col A K F Walker chats to Commander M L Beck, AUSCIVPOL, during the Operation.

From the left: Sgt Harry Million, WO2 Geoff Chaloner, Sgt Alan Jowkes, and Sgt Ron Appleyard.

On Sat 20 Sept the Sgts Mess Camp UNIFICYP held a brain drain quiz, teams taking part were 1 Sqn RCT (The Wheats), 644 Sig Tp (The Bleeps), REME/Avn (Thinkers) and 64 Sig RAF (Skorpions). In the first round REME/Avn met 644 Sig Tp. This round was very hard and closely fought and ended in a draw, which meant bringing in a 'sudden death' playoff. The Bleeps emerged from this as the winners by 27 pts to 25 pts. The second round between 64 Sig RAF and 1 Sqn RCT was also closely fought and just as hard fought and the Skorpions came out as winners by 18 pts to 18 pts. The final was contested between The Bleeps and the Skorpions. The Bleeps winning by 22 pts to 18 pts. Pictured here we see winning team looking very happy after answering a question correctly. The question for this quiz which provided a lot of good entertainment for both competitors and spectators was set by WO1 Pete Sharpe, 644 Sig Tp.

AUSCON NEWS

Ab und zu geht es bei den Telefonleitungen daneben, was die Tel Troppe sofort auf die Spitze der Mästen treibt.

Sometimes the wires get tangled up for AUSCON Signal Crew, making it necessary for them to climb up the pole.

In der Kiz Werkstatt arbeiten nur die besten österreichischen Mechaniker: sie bringen auch ride-free Kiz zum laufen.

The AUSCON Workshop employs the finest mechanics from all over Austria they can make cars run even without wheels.

Auch in den schwierigsten Situationen behalten AUSCON Pioniere einen klaren Kopf, so zum Beispiel in PYLA wo plötzlich das Dach über ihnen einstürzen drohte.

AUSCON Engineers keep a cool head in the trickiest situations, as in PYLA when the roof collapsed above their heads.

Frohen Mutes bejahren die AUSCON Soldaten ihr neues Leben in ATHENIEN! Das etwas Abwanderung von LARNACA und dem MEER bedeutet.

Members of AUSCON are seen here moving happily into their new quarters at ATHENIEN. They are glad to get away from LARNACA and the SEA. (Really?)

Nachdem die kalte Jahreszeit nun schon beinahe vor der Tür steht, erhalten die AUSCON Soldaten ihre Winterbekleidung.

As winter will soon be with us, AUSCON personnel are issued with pullovers and anoraks to help them to keep warm in days to come.


2nd Lieutenants G. W. ERHART and L. J. HOPPFR who are serving with AUSCON since April 1973 were promoted FIRST LEUTNANTS, which came into effect from October 1st, 1973. Our warmest congratulations accompany these two Officers who are to leave Cyprus at the end of this month.
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PARADE DES MEDAILLES


CANADIEN MEDALS PARADE

On Friday afternoon 26 September, CANCON held its United Nations Medals Parade on the parade ground at RAF Nicotia. Lieutenant General D. Prem Chand PVSM, UNICOPY Force Commander, was the presenting officer. The Commandant which consisted of 25 Battalion, E272, and 'H' Battery 5e Régiment d'artillerie légère du Canada was led by LCol J. Painchaud. Attending the parade from Canada were LGen Tellier and BG and 1st Battalion from Force Mobile Command. Also attending was BG and Commander 4 Combat Mechanized Brigade Group Europe. Music for the parade was supplied by the Band of the 1st Battalion, the Duke of Wellington's Regiment. Following the parade reception was held at the various messes.


Le LGen Prem Chand PVSM remet la médaille de Chypre au soldat Aubrey. The LGen Prem Chand PVSM presents the medal of Cyprus to the soldier Aubrey.

OPSI FINCON NEWS

Zeon Tyosta


Tällä hetkellä asuu turkkilaiselle alueelle noin 20000 saaren kreikkalaisia ja maronitit, joita toimentulojen tursavia suomalaisten järjestämille turkkikohdejaksoita. Suomalaisten järjestöt haluavat kuumentaa niiden työntekijöitä ja lauantain tapahtumassa... Koko operatiointi käynnistyy Nicosian kansainvälisestä mesialustella, jossa kyynike käyään rautamatonta. Tämän jälkeen matka suuntautuu turkkialaisten alueelle, jossa otetaan kyytin turkkilaisen poliisin valvoon kuljetusta.

FINCON NEWS

The Logistec Company parades in front of the dias honore. La Cie Logistique défile devant le dais d'honneur.

The Commander of the Force accompanied by LGen Breitt and by LCol Painchaud pass the "Q" Battery in review.

Le Commandant de la Force accompagné du BG Beutie et du LCol Painchaud passe la 5e Bataillon en revue.
IN THE PICTURE

Mr Laurice LeBon, a renowned artist from Quebec, Canada, was invited to visit Cyprus by Lt Col J. J. B. Pimshock, Comd Nicolas Zone (East), to paint the colourful island scenes.

As well as being a favourite amongst Canadian servicemen, Laurice LeBon has been commissioned to do paintings for the Governor-General of Canada, and also the Prime Minister of Canada, The Right Honourable P.E. Trudeau.

THE NEW EDITOR FOR BLUE BERET ARRIVES

Sergeant Andy Kane, the editor of the BLUE BERET for the past six months, has handed over his pen and ruler as his tour in the Force has ended. The new editor is Sergeant Pete Harrison who joins the MPIO staff after two years with one of the mobile public relations teams based in England.

ADVERTISING PAYS

The issue of some new United Nations stamps was announced in the last BLUE BERET. The response was tremendous and over £150 worth of stamps were sold. There are still a few first day covers left for those who were not able to get to the Finance Branch in hut 61 at HQ UNFICYP last week.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS — UNFICYP

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LESSON OF THE WEEK

Speed does not kill - it's that sudden stop.