NEW TASKS FOR BERNARDES

Secretary-General announces broadening of responsibilities of Special - Representative

"TO INCLUDE EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE DISCUSSIONS"

THE United Nations Secretary-General, U Thant, informed the Security Council on Friday of last week that he has broadened the responsibilities of his Special Representative in Cyprus — Mr Carlos A. Bernardes — to include efforts to achieve discussion at any level, between all parties concerned, of the problems and issues preventing a settlement in Cyprus.

The Secretary-General said in his report that he had informed the representatives of Cyprus, Greece, Turkey and the broadened responsibilities given to Mr Bernardes and he expressed the conviction that he could count on the cooperation of those Governments.

The Secretary-General’s report contained the text of a message he had sent to Mr Bernardes authorizing him to employ his good offices and make such approaches to parties in or outside the Island of Cyprus as might be productive. U Thant recalled that his efforts to bring about a resumption of the mediation “have not as yet met with success”, and said that while he was continuing these efforts, he felt there should be no interruption in the exploration of all possibilities which might prove helpful in the Cyprus situation.

He added that the broadened activities of the Special Representative would be without prejudice to the mediation function envisaged by the Security Council.

U THANT HOLDS TALKS ON CYPRUS

Future of UNFICYP discussed by the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force whose current mandate expires on the 26th of this month.

Here’s Harry

Harry Secombe, the popular British comedian and entertainer recently visited Cyprus in an eight show tour for the personnel of the SBAs. He took time out to visit The 1st Battalion the Royal Highland Fusiliers based at Polisquieti Camp, Limassol, and is pictured right with Piper John Blair of the Battalion Pipe Band. Harry, complete with ‘iron’, seems very interested in the quickest way to the cookhouse.

GDR applies for UN membership

WESTERN POWERS OPPOSE MOVE

THE German Democratic Republic has applied for membership of the United Nations. Its application, signed by Herr Walter Ulbricht as President of the Council of State of the Republic, was transmitted last week to Secretary-General, U Thant, by Ambassador Bohdan Lewandowski of Poland. The Secretary-General posted the request on to the President of the Security Council for the month of March, Dr Muhammad H. El-Farra of Jordan.

It is the Security Council which must first recommend the admission of an applicant State to the UN membership before the General Assembly takes a decision. This is the first time that an application for membership has been received from the German Democratic Republic or the Federal Republic of Germany.

Shortly after the announcement of the German Democratic Republic’s request, The United States issued a statement reiterating what it describes as its view that the Federal Republic of Germany is the only German government “freely and legitimately constituted and therefore entitled to speak for the German people in international affairs.”

U Thant’s talk

The mediation function was established by the Council in a resolution adopted on March 4th, 1964, for the purpose of trying to promote "the peaceful solution and agreed settlement of the problems confronting Cyprus. The mediation effort was called for by the Council in the same resolution which provided for the creation of a United Nations Peace-Keeping Force for Cyprus. We the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force whose current mandate expires on the 26th of this month.

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**TIL LYKKE**


**THE BLUE BERET**

**TJENESTEN ER MIN HOBBY**

Mange tipper C-kampagnet som storfavorit i haandboldturneringen, ikke alene fordi holdet har vist godt spil, men også fordi mølmen und, konstabel 296 Hardy M. Christensen fra Fyenske Livregiment, som her er lynsudt under en kamp, nærmest maa betegnes som fantasistisk, naar det gælder om at hindre bolden i at smutte mellem målstolperne — og det gør det jo.


Konstabel 802 P. Mikkelsen fra Sjællandsk Telegrafregiment er ved at blive behandlet for en AMBUSTIC PSD. DEXT. — hvilket betyder forbrænding paa højre fod. Han havde fæstet gledende metal ned i skoen under svømmedaaneri ved planeradningen. Det er informeret af tårnuglejerne, korporal P. Christiansen der er ved at lægge forbindelsen, overvåget af kontingents nye reservelager, doktor J. Holst-Christensen.
**Vaaleista, Matkailusta ja Urheilusta**


*The Blue Beret*, 9th March, 1966

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**DANCON Nyt**

**Mp ligger stadig paa lurr**

SLV om antallet af landerforsøg er i dølen, maa det stadig indkoerres motorforør ene, at de ikke maa kaere for steak.

Nærmig efter ulykken i Lournjina er der grund til at etta ikke paa det snart meget ken
dte slikt og geore som de gavn
de rømøre, skynd dig langsomt.

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**Underhold - ningstruppen forladt Cypern**

**UNDERHOLDNINGSTRUPPEN** har nu forladt Cypern. Den blev skoeppt i tirsdags efter at have givet endnu to forestillinger paa Ledra Palaca. At taget i bet
erging maa det siges at den havde stor succes her ved Dancon. Nærmig sondag of
ten hvor Sf. L. Jansen fra Afgo kompagniet med sin ild
fulle dans sammen med Jette Ziegler henrykkede tilskuerne, var stemningen fin.
MEDAL PRESENTATION

After presenting medals to the main body of the parade, Brigadier Wilson went on to present medals to the Bands. Soon here, left, he decorates Band Sergeant Major Brian Briggs-Watson, and right, presents the UN Cyprus Medal to WO I Bandmaster G.T.S. Cooke.

Brigadier congratulates Fusiliers

'ADmirable representatives of scOTLAND AND BRITISH ARMY'

On Saturday, officers and men of The 1st Battalion, The Royal Highland Fusiliers, on parade at Polemichia Camp were presented with the United Nations Medal for Peace-Keeping duties in Cyprus. Brigadier A.J. Wilson, CBE, MC, the Acting Force Commander and Chief of Staff of UNFICYP flew in by Sioux helicopter piloted by Major Ewart Povey, RA, who commands the recently arrived 4th Air G.P. Troop, Royal Artillery, to present the medals.

After a General Salute ordered by the Battalion's Commanding Officer, Lt Col G.C.R.L. Pender, MBE, and played by The Military Band, Brigadier Wilson inspected the parade, which represented all members of the Battalion and included both the Pipe and Military Bands. In a speech before presenting the medals the Acting Force Commander said that as the first Scottish Battalion to wear the blue beret in a United Nations Peace-Keeping Operation, it had taken The Royal Highland Fusiliers but a short time to show that the qualities which had made them Regiment famous as fighting soldiers, had made them equally successful in their valuable contribution towards maintaining peace both in Cyprus and, in a wider sense, in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Continuing, Brigadier Wilson said that their efficiency, complete impartiality and deep understanding of others had won the confidence of all with whom they had had to deal and had enabled the Battalion to keep the peace in an area of over 1200 square miles, containing some of the most difficult country on the Island. He added that he wished to pay a particular tribute to the Battalion for its very good discipline and said they had been admirable representatives of Scotland and the British Army and had set a very high standard for others to follow.

Brigadier Wilson had earlier stressed two main points about the UN Medal. First that it represented much hard work on the part of those to whom it was awarded and that the words "In The Service of Peace" exactly described the reasons for the award. Secondly that the medal, unlike those awarded by their own country, represented the thanks of every one of the 117 Members States of the United Nations. In conclusion Brigadier Wilson said that it was his particular pride and pleasure to congratulate The Royal Highland Fusiliers on their excellent work in Cyprus and to present them with their medals on behalf of the UN Secretary General.

Colonel Pender thanked the Acting Commander and invited him to present the medals. Both the Pipe and Military Bands played during the Brigadier's presentation of medals to the main body of the parade under command of Major Colin Mackenzie after which the Bands were in turn presented with their medals. The ceremony ended with the Acting Force Commander taking the salute at a March Past for which the combined Bands and Buglers played "Scotland The Brave".

SECOMBE VIST

During his recent CSE Tour in Cyprus, Harry Secombe, the well known British comedian and entertainer, paid a visit to The 1st Battalion, The Royal Highland Fusiliers, at Polemichia Camp, Limassol. He was greeted by Lt Col G.C.R.L. Pender, MBE, the Commanding Officer, and during his visit met many members of the Battalion.

Secombe, an ex "gunner", joined the Territorial Army in 1939 as a volunteer and served for 11 years, throughout the North-African and Italian campaigns in World War II, mainly in the Western Desert, Field Regiment of the former 79 Division. He is proud of his close connections with the British Army, and The Army Benevolent Fund for which he has done so much, is equally proud to count him as one of its greatest friends and supporters.

In 1961 he was one of the principal organisers of the first Royal Variety Performance in aid of the Army Benevolent Fund. This has since become a regular annual event and in 1965 alone raised £2,000 for the Fund. If Harry, p la y ed in the Army Benevolent Fund CBE in the Arm Forces a year or so ago, he again played in the Army Benevolent Fund CBE as one of its greatest friends and supporters.

Harry Secombe visits The Royal Highland Fusiliers and presented some of the members of the Band with his autograph as he attempts to sign a place the popular British entertainer finds a place in the dining hall at Polemichia.
Irish personnel congratulated on 'skill and courage'

On Saturday, 5th March, firing broke out in the Limnitis Area, the area of responsibility of the Cavalry Group of the 5th Irish Infantry Group, and three observation posts manned by Irish personnel were damaged in the cross-fire.

The Acting Force Commander, Brigadier A. J. Wilson, CBE, MC, has sent the following message to Commandant Kevin Nunan, Officer Commanding the Limnitis Camp, on the handling by the Irish personnel of the situation:

"Please convey my thanks and congratulations to those who handled the recent incident at Limnitis with such skill and courage. I look forward to the opportunity of thanking them personally later this week".

Pictured above, Comdt Kevin Nunan and Sergeant Dave Evans examine a bullet taken from the sand-bagged OP 'India'. Right: The three NCOs whose posts came under fire. Left to right: Sergeant John Quirke; OP 'Juliet', Sergeant Larry Poynton; OP 'Hotel' and Corporal John Lynch; OP 'India'.

MEDAL PRESENTATION:- On Thursday, Brigadier A.J. Wilson, the Acting Force Commander, presented UN Cyprus medals to members of IRCON Headquarters Camp at Xeros. Pictured above left, Lieutenant Colonel Brian McGurk, Officer Commanding 5th Infantry Group and the Acting Force Commander seem to be enjoying a private joke on this rather formal occasion.

Last week saw the annual outing of the members of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association when Paphos was the venue. Pictured left are members of the Association gathered round the pillar in Paphos where Saint Paul was whipped.
Svenskarna visade sig påsken finna i förslags på Stadion i Old City, Famagusta. Dels gjorde vår hundra en förstått omgiven under övervakande av chefen för hundavdelningen, överläkar Nestander, STR, och dels paradgjorde de vår i fotboll och slog det finska kontingentlaget med 14-0, (5-0).

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**Fotboll och hundshow lördagsnöje i Famagusta**

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**Vinst mot österrikarna**

Samma dag spelade det svenska flygslaget en returmatch mot österrikarna i Nicosia. Målskö­den blev inte lika stor denna, men österrikarna fick även ett grepp med 3-1 (2-0) i baken. Trots att det första slaget var självfällel var svenskarnas vinst betydligt större än de österrikanska utvisade. Vid det första mycket varv svenska med 5-0.

**Möte med 'arvfienden'**

På lördag möter svenskarna "arvfienden" Dancon i Fama­ gusta och lördagen den 19 mars spelar returnmatchen i Nicosia.

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Inga svenska framgångar i Landrover-rallyt

Några större framgångar blev det inte för de fem svenska ekipagen som ställdes upp i det av engelska 9. signallag regimentet anordnade Landrover-rally. Endast två av de svenska prövades placera sig på priset, på sjätte, resp. sjunde plats, medan två fyll för tiden och ett diskvalifierades.

Banan, som var omkring åtta svenska mil, var mycket kråvande efter det hårdiga regnmettet över veckotidet. På söndagen klargjorde det emellertid upp, och takten sattes in. Så senare delen av tävlingen blev någon lättare för förarna, 14 kontroller avverkades.

Tävlingen kördes över SBA-området med start vid Four Miles Point. Därefter gick rallyt i slingor längs en transportsträcka om Dhelleia.

Enligt det rapporterade var framgångarna i rallyt relativt varianterna inom försvarets förhållande.

3000 Speed checks run on Force vehicles in past four months

FIVE PER CENT FIGURE TOO HIGH WARN PROVOST STAFF

A recent survey on speeding by Force vehicles carried out in UNFICYP's Nicosia East and West Zones and Kyrenia District by the Force Military Police Company shows that after a fall in the number of drivers charged or warned for speeding over the past two months, figures are rising again.

During December and January, figures of those charged or warned showed a marked decrease, but statistics available up to the 27th February show a steady rise in all areas where speed checks have been operating.

Speed checks have been run on almost three thousand Force vehicles since the beginning of November last year - that is to say each vehicle on the Force strength has been checked approximately five times during the past four months. During this period changes were laid or warnings issued to the drivers of almost one hundred and forty vehicles - about five per cent of the total checked.

Whilst this speeding tendency - roughly five per cent - is not considered high on good roads, Force Provost staff and road-safety officials feel that is far too high considering local road conditions. The highest number of charges for speeding were laid in areas already known as accident "black spots" - such as the joint-usage road past RAF Nicosia main guardroom, the Morphou road and the Kyrenia road.

New "black spots" which have come to the fore during this period are the Akrotiri-Khmas-Polls road and the Kyrenia road, particularly the approach to Kyrenia itself. Once again, Provost staff stress the danger of the stretch of road between the Pedios Bridge traffic lights in Nicosia and the junction with the Kyrenia road.

BRITCON drivers have been worse speeding offenders during the past four months, with forty-seven checked, one more than the Danish Contingent and fourteen more than CANCON, SWECON and FINCON have hardly contributed to the total with only eleven offenders between them.

"Miljöpåttern" Tore Mellbris i full fart mot det flaska rallyet.

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Four States protest Viet-Nam letter

ATTENDED SUMMATION" CRITICIZED

BY U.S.S.R., FRANCE, MALI AND BULGARIA

IN a letter sent to members of the Security Council last week, Akiho Mataki of Japan, the
said that differences of view on the question of Viet-Nam had "given rise to the general feeling that it would be impertinent
for the Council to hold a further debate" on the problem "at this time" (see Blue Beret, 2nd March, page seven).

The outgoing President ad-
ded, however, that from the Council's proceedings of the first two days of February, and from consultations held since then, he "could detect a certain degree of common feel-
ing among many members". He summarised this as a grow-
ing anxiety over continued hostilities in Viet-Nam and a strong desire for a peaceful sol-
ution by the "Korean method" feeling that the termination of the con-

At the same time, he added, there may be a debate on the substance of the Viet-Nam problem, he said, "can there be no grounds for drawing any
and unjustified procedure and that in drawing his conclusions he had used expressions care-
fully chosen to place the ag-
gressor and victim on the sa-
me footing."

A letter from Ambassador Roger Seydoux of France, asking that the Council debate on Viet-Nam, had added that the
bring a peaceful solution any
closer. In any event, said the letter, private consultations could not take place on such a debate and France felt "no conclusions should be put for-
ward regarding the feeling of the 
Council on the question of Viet-Nam".

A letter from the Soviet Delegate, Ambassador Nikolai Fedorenko, expressed "most expr,

dress reservations regarding
both the principle and consequences of the letter" from the Council President. In the

absence of a Council debate on the substance of the Viet-Nam problem, he said, "there can be no grounds for drawing any
conclusions or claiming to de-
tact any common feeling bind-
ing members".

In the outgoing President's statement, the outgoing President returned to the question of an attempt to apply the
resolution designed to

help the United Nations to

U Thant welcomes "steps towards peace"

FOLLOWING is the text of a message dated 17 February

To the Secretary-General U Thant, from the Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations Peace-Keeping Force in Cyprus:

"With reference to your letter dated January 28, in which you appealed for voluntary contributions to provide the nec-

essary financial support for the United Nations Peace-Kee-

ping Operation in Cyprus, I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Fin-

land have decided to make a further contribution of $50,000 to help the United Nations to meet the costs of UNFICYP.

The voluntary contribution

is subject to parliamentary ap-

proval and should in due cour-

se be offset against expenses

paid by the Government in connection with the Finnish Contingent to UNF-

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

CEDY

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and Bulgaria, which were

among the States opposing to any Council involvement in the

Viet-Nam problem. Ambas-
diator Nikolai Fedorenko of the Soviet Union said in a letter

to the Council that Mr

Mataki's action was illegal and irresponsible and could only be regarded as a blatant attempt to support United States' ma-

mesures to use the Council as a cloak for aggression in South-

East Asia. The Soviet repre-

sentatives said that Mataki had set

fire to send the letter de-

manding that the Council had not debated the substance of the Viet-Nam question and said that neither the

Council nor the Security Council should take part in informal consulta-

tions.

Instead of using the Council for what he called "a debate on the substance of the Viet-Nam problem" and calling for a Council discussion on the

question, Mataki had sought to influence the Security Council's views and actions by his letter, the US representative added.

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Therefore, having in mind the letter you have established and with all of the parties di-

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