The Commander of the United Nations Force in Cyprus, General K.S. Thimayya, today sends the following message to all members of the Force.

"I am very proud to have been appointed as Commander of UNFICYP. I have been with you just a week and I am beginning to understand the very ticklish problem that you are faced with here. I am beginning to understand also the difficulties, the stresses and strains under which all of you are operating; particularly the men who have to deal with the day-to-day functions of this Force.

"I have been much impressed by the appearance of the troops, their standard of behaviour and their turn out and in spite of the psychological difficulties under which you are operating I find the morale very high indeed. I convey my greetings to you all and look forward to my further association with you in the next few months in bringing our work to a successful conclusion.

"I hope you all enjoy reading the "Blue Beret" and it keeps you in touch with the happenings within this Force and remember that it is by your own contributions that the "Blue Beret" can fulfill its obligations to you".

General Thimayya

SEARCH RENEWED FOR MACEY AND PLATT

Acting on information received a thorough search is being made for the bodies of Major Edward Macey and Driver Leonard Platt and their Land Rover near the village of Fasoula, north of Famagusta. The information received supports previous information supplied and gives indications about the whereabouts of the two and their vehicle and also how the disappeared.

Major Macey and Driver Platt were last seen at the village of Galata in the Panhandle area of north east Cyprus on Sunday, 7 June 1964. Last month the British Government offered a reward of £2,000 for information leading to their discovery and it is believed the recent information has been supplied as a result of this.

Taking part in the search are Australians of the UNFICYP Civilian Police, one platoon of the Irish Contingent and two helicopters.

CALL FOR HALT IN ARMS BUILD-UP

Secretary-General U Thant sends note to Cyprus, Greece and Turkey.

The following text was transmitted simultaneously on 16th July to the President and Vice-President of Cyprus and the Prime Ministers of Greece and Turkey through permanent representatives to the United Nations.

"The reported build-up of military personnel and equipment on both sides in Cyprus has received much attention in recent days and is giving rise to growing concern. You will recall that I drew attention to this problem in my report to the Security Council on 15 June 1964. Since that time I have received from various sources information about a continuing build-up on both sides, as well as repeated expressions of anxiety on this score from a number of governments, including several of those which are providing contingents for the United Nations Force in Cyprus. In view of this fact and of the almost daily reports showing that the build-up is continuing, I feel impelled to make an urgent and most earnest appeal to the governments primarily concerned to do all within their power to halt this perilous trend and to reverse it before it leads to a major clash in Cyprus with all the dangers that such a clash entails. I am fully aware of the suspicions and anxieties which have led to this development on both sides. My sole intention is to find a means of stabilizing the situation before it leads to disastrous consequences.

"The resolution establishing the United Nations peacekeeping force in Cyprus calls upon all member states, in conformity with their obligations under the charter of the United Nations, to refrain from any action or threat of action likely to worsen the situation in the sovereign Republic of Cyprus or to endanger international peace. In my view any action by any party tending to increase the tension and the danger of armed clashes in Cyprus at this time falls squarely within the terms of the resolution of the Security Council of 4 March 1964, and I appeal to all the governments concerned to adhere with the utmost care to their obligations under that resolution. It is hardly necessary for me to elaborate on either the dangers of the arms build-up in Cyprus or on the effect it must inevitably have upon the efforts of the United Nations peacekeeping force and of the Mediator, which, it seems to me, afford the most realistic and timely hope of a peaceful solution.

"The military build-up in Cyprus must, therefore, be halted immediately and a trend which is clearly increasing the tension and danger in the island must be reversed."

"I, therefore, deem it my duty to appeal strongly to your government to ensure full observance of both the letter and the spirit of the Security Council resolution of 4 March 1964."
MORE IRISH TROOPS FOR CYPRUS

It has been announced that a further body of 400 officers and men will fly out from Ireland before the end of the month.

The contingents strength now in Cyprus is approximately 600 all ranks, augmented by the arrival on the Island by the end of July of another 1,000 thousand men of the regular Army. At this stage of the operation the contribution will be assessed at 650 men as it is seen that one ninth of the force is serving overseas.

Within the last month an Infantry group of 350 returned to Ireland after completing its tour of duty in the Colony.

Concomitantly in 1958 fifty officers arrived overseas from overseas garrisons in the United Kingdom, and since then the total Irish observer forces in the Middle East have dropped below such a mission of the Irish Observer Corps as the recent deployment of the Military Assistant to the Commander-in-Chief in UNFICYP, and many staff officers to UN Headquarters.

Primo left to right the general officers are Major-General Sean Collins-Powell, Adjutant-General of the Irish Defence Forces, Major-General H.Q., and the present Commander of UNFICYP, and in the background the Adjutant-General.

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UNITED NATIONS NEWS

MY BOY LOLLIPPO!

Tell me about Lollipops? — yes, I remember them very well, but I could not believe this. Together with Sybil we turned against them so strongly. Sybil and I have never eaten Lollipops since then. It is a real shame. I don't know what to do with this.
NECTAR OF THE GODS

Wine stories of Cyprus

"Roses and Champagne"

In ancient times Cyprus was known for the richness and the fertility of its land. One of the first duties that the early inhabitants of the island carried out was the development of agriculture and in particular the cultivation of vines, wheat and olive-trees.

The Greek poet Homer speaks in his poetry about various types of wines, and those of Cyprus he classified as "excellant".

In ancient writings one finds much information about Cypriot vineyards and wine that has led some to believe that it was not on Ararat, but on the slopes of Cyprus Olympus that Noah's Ark grounded after the flood and where Noah planted the first vine!

More recently however during the Crusades Thibaut IV, Count of Champagne, on his way back to France stayed for a short period in the island to visit his cousin, Queen Alice. During his stay a young noble belonging to the court was sentenced to death because one night he concealed himself in the apartment of his fiancée.

Count Thibaut, a genuine troubadour, intervened to save the lover's life and took him to his castle in distant Champagne. But the youth could not suffer the separation and returned to Cyprus, where he married and then returned with his wife to France.

To show her husband's gratitude to the Count the girl brought him a rose-bush that still gives the famous sweet smelling roses of Provence.

The youth brought a bunch of cuttings from the best vines of Cyprus Olympus. Those plants were cultivated in an area with a March rainfall and gave France the world famous wine of Champagne.

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Sunday ---Request Programme

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FOR YOUR LISTENING

RADIO BROADCASTS

All times are local

SHORT WAVE

Australian Radio
21 metre Band
30 metre Band

0830-0930 English

Austrian Radio
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band

0800-1100 German
1300-1600 French and English

British Broadcasting Corporation
31 Metre Band
24 Metre Band
19 Metre Band
16 Metre Band
13 Metre Band
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band

0500-2315 (1000-1100 Closed down)
0730-1215
0800-1200
1200-1250
1800-2000
1800-2030
1900-2100

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band
31 Metre Band

2200-2350 (2245-2300 Forces Broadcast.)

Voice of Denmark
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band
30 Metre Band

2145-2245 Danish and English

Finishch Radio
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band
31 Metre Band

1200-1250
1800-2000
1800-2030

Swedish Radio
19 Metre Band
25 Metre Band
30 Metre Band

1815-1845
1845-1915
1845-1915

MEDIUM WAVE

Voice of America
238 Metres

0630-0900
0915-0930
1800-1830
2300-0015

British Broadcasting Corporation
211 Metres
428 Metres
417 & 470 Metres
British Forces Broadcasting Service
206 & 213 Metres

0500-0830, 1300-2135 English
0500-0545, 0745-1000
0530-2315

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SUOMEN MIES JA KYPROS

He saapuivat Kyproksen, mieleh etäisen Suomenmaan, jìi kuinkaisi Suurlookske, monen mienhen kodin turvaisia pyryjä.
Ole mielessä sodet illsán, teet uljäntenuriojen.
Vain naistakin Kyproksen ja Kyproksen, ne Suomen velkoja puoleensa veti
lähettimä valmiis ollut mies ja heti
Sa pressen ilman, mielikäs siitä, niin
Suomelle sanottini heti.

Jo Kyproksen taivaan alle
tuli Matti ja Kalle sekä myös mäykötäinen,
Aurinko peiteli ja
ruoka se maistoi ja
mieset ne ihmettelivät:
al, että aurinko nina paiatun
tätä kuumaa maailman kisata.
Ja kun rauvalle vain suuret tie,
io on sodatina otsa hies,
joka ruokaa kuin kahvipeppu
jok’ äidin on kulta
kun aurinko iskee kuumaa tulta.

Ytö kulkee he etelän tummassa yssä,
näin tietysti, varitsyttöybystä,
psyysy olalla, kypärän peitely.
Siniset silmät ja Pellava päälä,
Tuumaarkeet ne Suomen pojan
viersisessä kyproksella,
valpaana vahtii hiekka pyyneen.

ja kohta jo rauhoattaa kyproksen kansa,
kun tulee ilmi sen joka ansa,
all Suomen velkoja
hän mieheet olotakin heikko.
Hän tahtoo ett’ jokainen sovussa elää,
näin että kaikkien lastien yhdessä hellää,
rauha oltava kaikkiala
kaduilla, polilloilla, vuorimailla
sitä kenkääen eila saa vaikaa,
siin YK:nisten on tuntua,
se rauhanvirtaukseen vaivaa puun.

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FINNISH SPORTS NEWS.

The series in football and "pesapallo" a kind of Finnish baseball, of the championships of the Finnish Battalion KYSKI, have begun. The results so far are as follows:

Football
5 Rope Coy — 2 HQ Coy
3 Rope Coy — 4 HQ Coy

Pes pallo (Finnish Baseball)
HQ & HQ Coy — 8 1 Rope Coy
3 Rope Coy — 22 2 Rope Coy

ERRATA

An apology is made for an error in last week's edition of the Blue Beret. The Innskillings were given the Hurling match, much to the chagrin of 40th Irish En. who won a resounding victory

To put the matter right the correct results was as follows:

40th Irish En.
5 goals 9 points (24 points)
Innskillings
3 goals 5 points (14 points)

NB We look forward to the next hurling match.

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