EXTENSION OF MANDATE RECOMMENDED

Full text of the "Observations", contained in the report of the Secretary-General, to the Security Council on the United Nations Operation in Cyprus from 2 June 1970 to 1 December 1970:

The record of the past six months shows neither progress toward further normalization and deconfrontation nor a return to the tense and explosive situation which existed prior to the commencement of the inter-communal talks in June 1968. The situation now prevailing in Cyprus is one of "negative stability"—quite on the surface, but strained, abnormal and fraught with the serious danger inherent in the continuing close confrontation of well armed and trained forces. With the passing of time, this situation is threatening to become the way of life of all Cypriots, thus perpetuating the need for UNFICYP's presence in the island.

It is with regret that I have once again to voice my disappointment that, notwithstanding the persistent efforts of my representatives in Cyprus, no significant advance has been made toward a return to normal conditions, especially to freedom of movement along all roads for unarmed citizens. Furthermore, the parties continue to be disinclined to a greater or lesser degree to respond positively to the repeated urgings of my Special Representative and the Force Commander to reduce, if not altogether eliminate, close and dangerous military confrontations in several sensitive areas of the island, as described in detail in the body of the present report. I remain convinced, however, that there are a number of helpful measures which both sides could take without endangering their political and security positions. For instance, a number of suggestions have been made to the Turkish Cypriot Leadership which, if agreed to, could, at minimum risk to them help to generate an atmosphere of increased mutual confidence and contribute significantly to the improvement in the living conditions of their community. On the Government side I would welcome a determined move to solve the long-standing problem of displaced persons and their rehabilitation. This is a humanitarian problem which involves the alleviation of the hardship of several thousand needy people.

An encouraging exception to this present immobility is the increased cooperation between the two communities in the economic field... It is significant that a recent severe drought brought the farmers of both communities in the stricken area closer together. This seems to indicate that in good will, and when their common interests are involved, a "rapprochement" between the communities is definitely possible. It is my earnest hope that further progress along that road can be made through the establishment of a number of common services and mixed institutions whose main objective would be to serve the people of Cyprus as a whole.

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Force Commander At Lefka District

On Tuesday last week the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, paid his first official visit to the new Danish Contingent, Dancon XIV.

The General flew by helicopter to Xeros where he was met by the Contingent Commander, Lieutenant Colonel P. E. P. Skov, and other staff officers. The General first inspected Xeros Camp, and later on visited the rifle coy at Limnetia and also had the opportunity to see some of the OPs. The visit finished with lunch at the Officers' Mess in Xeros.

Private L. Petersen salutes the General on the arrival to OP Limkin.

Mr Osorio-Tafall, the Secretary-General's Special Representative, and Major General D. Prem Chand, the Force Commander, pictured on their departure from Nicosia Airport last Sunday. They will both attend the Security Council's meeting which is to consider the Secretary-General's report on Cyprus to the Council. The Force Commander and Mr Osorio-Tafall are expected back in Cyprus in approximately one week.
**FORCE COMMANDER HOS DANC**

○ Velkommen, med offiserer rettet mot høyre og høyre hånd strakt ut, af
venter ørevaksen i Xerox-leiren, under LT Pohl-Hansens kommando, generalens kjerne. Generalen sal­
talte, at det var "a very fine guard".

○ "Var det Hansen, De mugde?" Under vid bøing ved Dancon XIV er Force Commander, generalløytnant D. Prems Chaud, nått til Limfjorden, hvor offisererne fremtillas.

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**DANC**


- Den moderne teknik i guddommen ved at innpille salmerne på en stund, omhandler den. KS Lambriksen, utdanningsen.

Endvidere var det blandt tilhørerne ett tilset af den lokale befolkning, blandt hilde en lille park kvik med kommersielle pastiser ord.

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**FØRSTE GUSTJENESTE**

Etter gutten ble de første gudstjeneste av 1stjere "løserekt" havn på offiserrenes. Prosperen havde innført

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**JULFORBEREDELSER**

Julforberedelseren ligger i full gang i desse år og bidrar også til forberedelser. De ser ikke at vi kunne bli en rigtig dansk jul. Vi er forlidenne medseren, men med fantasi og for­
findelse vil vi også kanne få en fornemmelig jul, al en jul.

Adventskransen, som alltid tømt og julstoler er delesse av stivovens hjemmefra og dels inkret på arbeidet.

Også fløkketegnet er benyttet, og det vil vi jo i særlig grad kunne nyde over 100. For både det skal vi, om ikke for andet, så do og flere ti til at kunne for­tatt barehjernet om ten, da der var røttige soldater til, hvorfor der udførte et drømmen til hver af de høye som benyttet på den rette vikingerad.

Endelig må vi jo ikke gleme, at nogle får mulighet for at niøt hun, moderne strukturer får deres til­
rende herred. Desværre må vi jo sikkert sige nogle soldater, det pener ville hjælpe, på grund af den for store tilhjælpling, men disse står naturligvis først på listen til påløde­friheden.

Så frem, De får Dørens pårørende herred, er velfungerende naturligvis til rådighed med besucher og forlag, således at De og Dørens pårørende får en sikkert enkeltudf. af opholder her på Afdelen af.

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**SILVER FOR SWEDCON**

SWEDCON har under den seneste veckan erorrt tre silvermedaljer i UNSFCP-mønterskaps. Medaljene fordeles på LSF-prøveatleten Stig Aasen, som ble tøv i skillingslen i balimmitt og fanfjord Lars­
Gustav Andersen, som ble tøv i bølgeriske, samt i lagettleiingen, der Sørøe tog silver etter FINCON.

Til å begynne med balimmitan

Stig Aasen de måla,

Det var låg ham

den støttende kjøreren Dennis

MacDonald med 15-6, 15-4. Dåre

etter bølgeres støttende kjøreren

Fredriksson med 13-5, 15-2. Den

annenende vennende engelske

soldaten Tom Brandt blev drøm

for svært, men ett i svært døk


Brøværkerne gjorde et mycket

bød i balanceopningen og det

var ikke længere fra at segen

hans til SWEDCON. Endi-

videre fikk L-G Andersen stryka

på foten for den tvangligste ser­
gatens Sveinsson med hans tøv

sekunder og i lagettleiingen førte

sværtomvenden med firega tret-

tto sekunder.

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**SWEDCON NEWS**

Swedish Forces Photos
UN MEDALS FOR STAFF OFFICERS

- The Force Commander passes the UN Medal on the chest of Lieutenant Colonel P. Morgan, Chief Logistics and Personnel Officer.
- A handshake of congratulations for Colonel D.E. Thornton, Deputy Chief of Staff, after he had received his medal.

OBSTACLE RACE TEAM

The Britcon team, drawn from 60 Squadron RCT, which finished third in the Inter-contingent Obstacle Race Competition last week, (L to R, front row): Corporal Talloch, Lance Corporal Rowan, Lt. Lieutenant Bennett, Corporal Monk and Driver Page. (Back row): Lance Corporal Davison, Driver March, Lance Corporal Harvey, Driver Knight, Driver F. Jackson, Driver J. Jackson and Driver McLean. The team averaged time for completing the course was 3 minutes 36 seconds. Corporal Talloch was the fastest British competitor with a time of 3 minutes 36 seconds.

CHIEF OF STAFF INSPECTION

The Chief of Staff, Brigadier-General E. M. D. Leslie, DSO, DSO, DSO, visited the 10th Infantry Group on Monday 29th November. Accompanying him was Mr. Dharam, the Chief Administrative Officer.

Lieutenant Colonel Tom Tracey greeted his guests on the arrival at Zeyl. Having inspected the Guard of Honour, under the command of Lieutenant Fergus Marshall, they were taken on a tour of Camp Headquarters, and later visited "A" and "B" companies in Kophina and Larnaca respectively.

OLD TIMER

Contingents come and contingents go, but there is one soldier who is unaffected by rotation. He is alleged to have been on the UN post at Mandria hill for nearly six years.

He regards the OP as his home and seems quite content with his perpetual changeovers of Commanding Officer. He is Rifleman Huckle, seen here with his current Section Commander, Lance Corporal Rock of B Company, 3rd Battalion Royal Green Jackets.

BADMINTON


MEET THE IRISH RECEPTION

A very enjoyable reception was held at the Officers' Mess Zeyl on Saturday night 29th November at which representatives of UNFICYP Headquarters and all contingents arriving with UNFICYP were guests of the new Irish Contingent. Also in attendance were representatives from many countries.

- Major General and Mrs. Peek Chan arrive at the Officers' Mess for the reception.
- Officers of Flincon, Smendon and the Australian Field Hospital form a happy group at the reception.

HEAVY MORTAR TRAINING

- Gunner Pat Matthews, (Offtly), Radio Operator with the Heavy Mortar Troop, seen here taking part in mortar training exercise recently.

IRCON NEWS

BASKET BALL BLITZ

A highly entertaining inter-unit "Basketball Blitz" was organized by "B" Company at Fourmida Point recently. Teams from all units took part. The eventual winners were the "B" Company, who beat Headquarters Company in a very exciting final. Pictured in the group are the players who took part in the competition.
HELLO, HELLO

It is people like Corporal Harvey Woolley who keep the communications systems operating. Corporal Woolley (left) and Sergeant Fred Loothan (right) are members of the Electronic Maintenance and Repair Team. This team is responsible for some 125 radars, 180 telephones, and 14 switchboards: a heavy and a continual task.

QUITE A MOUTHFUL

Corporal Doug Burns, the unit ration clerk, and Corporal Don Cruickshanks (right) of the Headquarters Company Stores, struggle to load a container of fresh fruit and vegetables. It is estimated that members of Headquarters devour about one ton of these foods every week.

RECEIVE UN MEDALS

Last week two members of Cancon, both serving with HQ UNFICYP, were awarded their UN medals. Chief of Staff, Brigadier-General E. M. D. Leslie, presented the medals and congratulated both Canadians for their duties at the Headquarters. — Pictured at the medal presentation are (left to right) Corporal R. Mikola, Major Bob Green and Brigadier-General E. M. D. Leslie.

BEAUTY AND THE BEASTS

A busy and frequently visited unit at Camp Maple Leaf is the Accounts Office. Corporal Wayne Mannix (left) and Sergeant Den Martin (right) ensure that bills are paid and that the budget is followed. Mrs. Jenny Sanderson, (foreground), could be a reason for the frequent visits: she is one of 52 civilians presently employed by the Canadian Contingent.

MALAIASENS KUNTORATAKILPAILUT


ALTARI


ITSENÄISYYSPÄIVÄ


ROAD WORTHY

This 1/4 ton vehicle is being put through a thorough inspection by mechanics of the Canadian Contingent. Corporal Rod Easterby (left) and Master Corporal John Cleland among conduct these inspections on each vehicle every three months. Daily vehicle inspections are done by drivers and by transport members, in an attempt to keep the vehicles in the best operational condition.

CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces Photos

OHJUU ANTI VASTAAN FORCES COMMANDERIS EDUTAJAMIS BRIGADIER LESLEY

Uppehättäjä ympäri maailmaa.

FINCON NEWS

Kompagniolien edustajil saamassa mitattaan. Brig Lesley kiinnittää mitalia kapitän Ossen räätäa.
UN BADMINTON
Sponsored by Camp HQ UNFICYF, the tournament took place on 2 December at Wolesley Barracks in the form of a singles and a doubles knockout. Teams of three players came from the Canadian, Danish, Irish, Swedish and British Contingents. The latter provided two teams, BRITCON 'A' (3 RGJ) and BRITCON 'B' (Camp HQ and Force Reserve). The competition fulfilled its purpose well, in providing some enjoyable sport and exercise.

The real thrills were provided by the singles matches and in particular by the Swedish player, Warrant Officer Stig Axelson. Axelson, a good deal older than most competitors played two sporting and skilful matches before meeting Rifleman Tom Bradbury of BRITCON 'A' (RGJ) in the final. This proved the climax of the tournament with some exciting badminton, the match was clinched only in the last moments by the younger Brabury. A pity there had to be a loser! The Cup was played for by the teams representing the winners of the singles and doubles, players being drawn in pairs playing off in one game each. After three crisp matches BRITCON 'B' finally won 2-1. Presentations were made by the Chief of Staff, Brig Gen EMD Leslie, DSO,CD.

THE FINNS WIN THE OBSTACLE RACE

The Obstacle Race Competition, again well-organised by Fincon, took place last Friday at Nicosa.

The Finns showed no hospitality on the results list, winning the team competition in 2.50 minutes and also had the best single result, WO 3 Savolainen in 2.36 minutes. Runners-up were Swedish in 3.10 minutes — More results and pictures in next week's "The Blue Beret".

I believe that both communities in Cyprus now realise that the Turkish problem cannot be solved by resorting to force and that any attempt to revert to the use of force would only worsen the conflict and prove catastrophic for all on the island and perhaps beyond. The two sides have also indicated that a settlement can be worked out on the basis of an independent, sovereign and unified state of Cyprus in which the two communities participate. This limited consensus indicates that there is a basis for at least some kind of accommodation. Obviously, in the present tense circumstances, more than goodwill and exhortations are required to reach a reasonable and just agreement. However, as I said in my report of 1 June 1970, I believe that the elements necessary for a political settlement in Cyprus do exist and that a compromise solution could be worked out, including the crucial issue of local government.

In view of the situation prevailing in Cyprus, I have no doubt that the presence of the Force in the island continues to be necessary and that its withdrawal would involve an acute risk of a relapse into pattern of inter-communal violence. In the circumstances, I see no alternative but to recommend to the Security Council that the extension of UNFICYF’s mandate for another period of six months. The Government of Cyprus and the Governments of Greece and Turkey have informed me of their agreement to the proposed extension.

In recommending a further extension of the UNFICYF mandate, I must once again draw attention to the serious situation concerning the financial operation of the Force. The deficit in the UNFICYF budget remains high and, as indicated in the body of this report, a slight reduction in the overall deficit is in fact likely to be nullified by certain problems relating to the payment of the pledges of one government. This makes it all the more necessary for governments to give adequate financial support to this important United Nations peacekeeping effort. At the same time, I must again point out that this situation is obviously related to the unsatisfactory method of financing UNFICYF by voluntary contributions.

In conclusion, I wish once more to place on record my gratitude to the governments providing contingents to UNFICYF and to those governments — all too few — which have made voluntary contributions for its maintenance. Without that generous help, it would not have been possible to carry on this vital peacekeeping operation for nearly seven years. I wish also to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to my Special Representative, the Commander of the Force, and its officers and men, as well as the UNFICYF civilian staff, for the exemplary manner in which they have performed their important and difficult tasks.

The event was held on Wednesday, 9th December.

6-A-SIDE

ROYAL SCOTS GREYS 6-2 CAMP HQ 4-0
60 SQN RCT 'A' 4-0 CAMP HQ 2-2
60 SQN RCT 'B' 4-0 CAMP HQ 2-2

HOCKEY

ROYAL SCOTS GREYS 6-0 CAMP HQ 6-0
ROYAL SCOTS GREYS 6-0 CAMP HQ 6-0

MP NOTEBOOK

ACIDENTS

UNFICYF

Week Ending 6 DEC 1970 — 6
Same Period Last Year — 7
Total This Year — 354
Same Period Last Year — 332

Main Cause Of Accidents This Week:

"DRIVING ON THE WRONG SIDE OF ROAD"

UN PROGRAMMES FROM G.B.C.

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Monday 1330 — 1400 hrs Radio EIFREAN production.
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Wednesday 2000 — 2030 hrs News from CANADA and records.
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