



IRISH CONTINGENT ROTATION



An enlarged Irish Contingent was pictured two weeks ago with the Force Commander, Major General J.J. Quinn, outside the Force Headquarters in Nicosia, at the start of the six-monthly

contingent rotation. The four newly arrived senior NCOs (on the left) have all served in UNFICYP before.

UNFICYP VISITORS



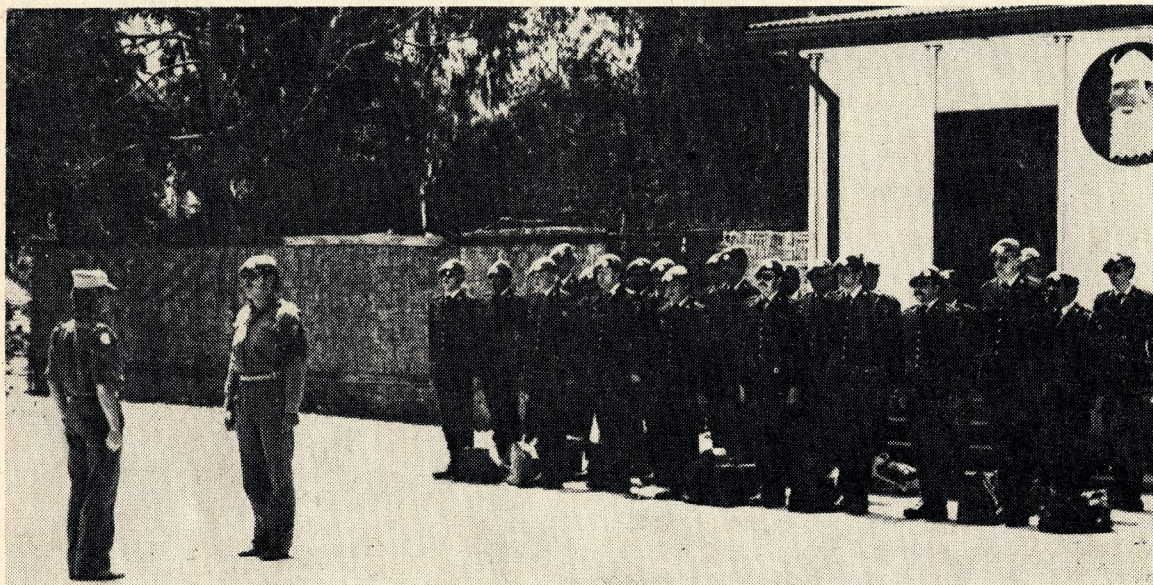
Last week the Commander in Chief of the United Kingdom Land Forces General Sir Edwin Bramall KCB OBE MC visited the Headquarters. He called on the Force Commander and was then briefed by the Chief of Staff, with whom he is seen above.



The Military Adviser to the Secretary General of the United Nations, General Koho, visited the Force two weeks ago to bring himself up to date on the situation in Cyprus and the Force. He took the opportunity to come here after attending a conference in Stockholm.

Rotationerne ved DANCON er nu ved at være overstået. På billedet til højre indvejes bagage for personel, der skal nordpå og på billedet herunder ankommer nyt personel til STKMP.

Rotations at DANCON. On the right luggage of those going home is pictured being checked; while below the newcomers for HQ-Coy are seen as they arrived.



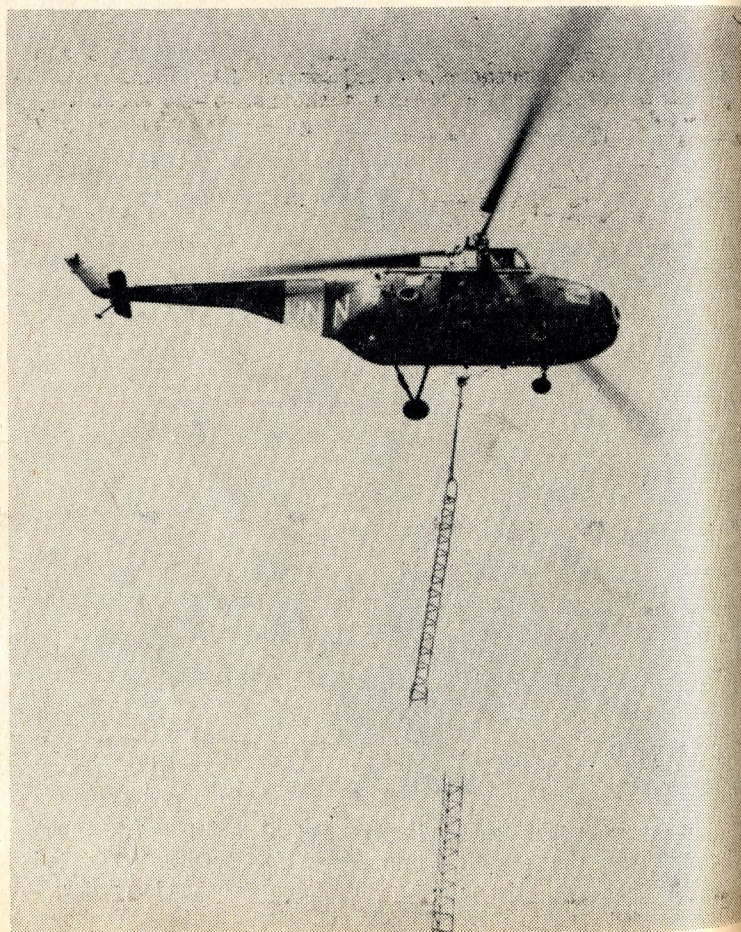
DANCON



NEWS

Radioantennen i Viking Camp er blevet udskiftet. Øverste led blev fjernet ved hjælp af helikopter.

The radio aerial in Viking Camp has been changed. The top of the old aerial is seen being taken away by a Whirlwind helicopter of the UN Detachment of 84 Squadron Royal Air Force.



FOOTBALL IN FAMAGUSTA



A dramatic situation in the match between Swedcon and Turkish Sports Club in Famagusta, The Turkish Cypriot team finally won with a score of 3 to 1.

"The other 'cons' won't stand a chance"

A football match played between the Swedish Contingent Football team and the Turkish Cypriot team — Turkish Sports Club — in the Old City part of Famagusta, resulted in a 3—1 win for the Turkish Cypriots.

The result pleased the members of the Swedish Contingent who had only very recently formed their team, whilst the Turkish Sport Club team were well into the middle of their season.



The Swedish cross country-team after the UNFICYP-competition at Fincon, with Swedcons winner Håkan Ahl kneeling.

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The Sports Officer of the Swedish Contingent remarked that the score was a surprise and that the team were now

confident about their football abilities in future matches against the other contingents of UNFICYP.

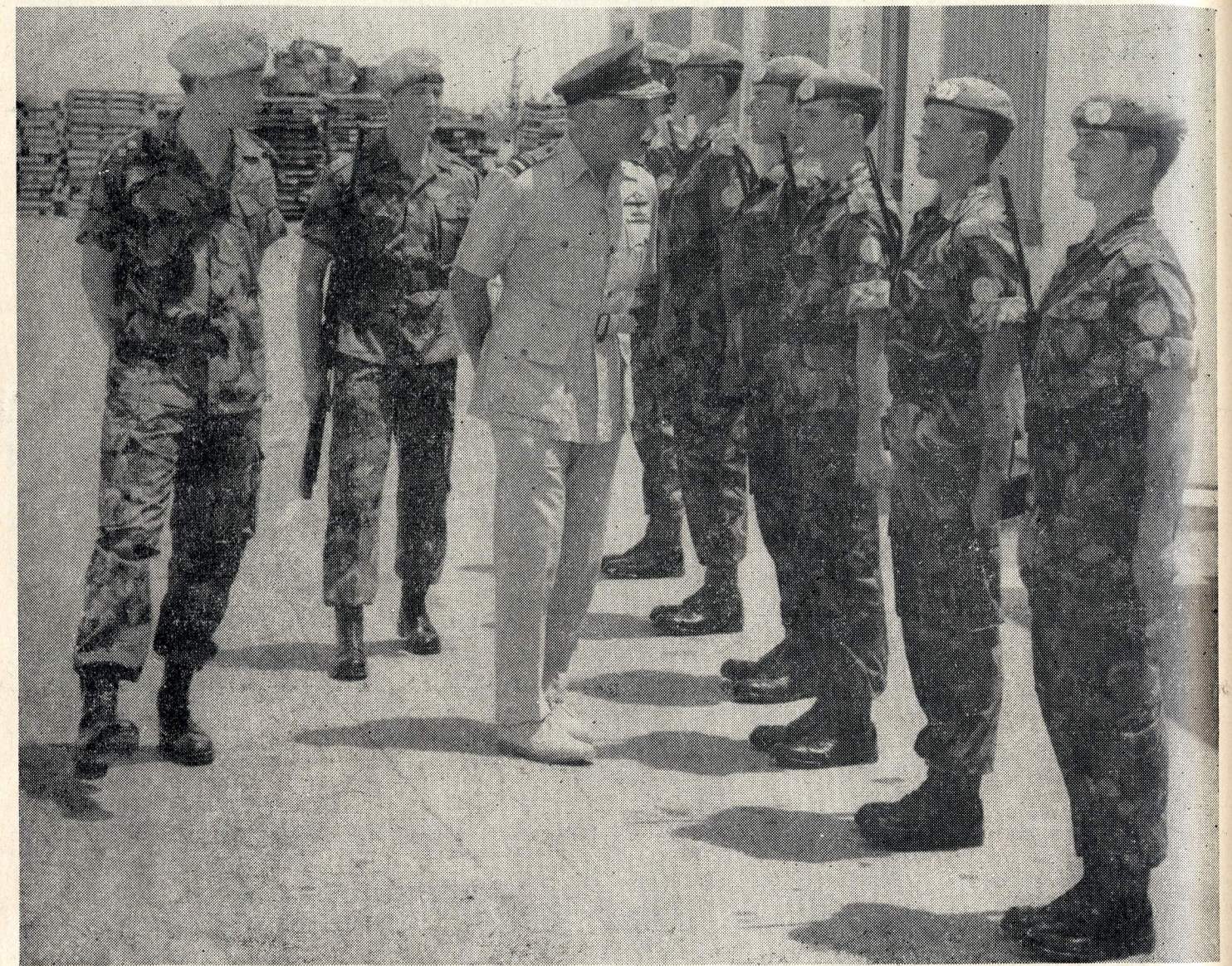
The winner of the Swedish Contingent Cross Country competition was Hakan Ahl who completed the six mile run in

35 minutes and 35 seconds. After the competition, Hakan said that half way through the run he had doubts if he could continue, and that it had been one of the most difficult events he had ever entered.

A few days later Hakan ran

in the UNFICYP competition organised by the Finnish Contingent where he came in fifth overall, and the best of the Swedish participants. As a team, however the Swedish Contingent came second to the Finnish Contingent.

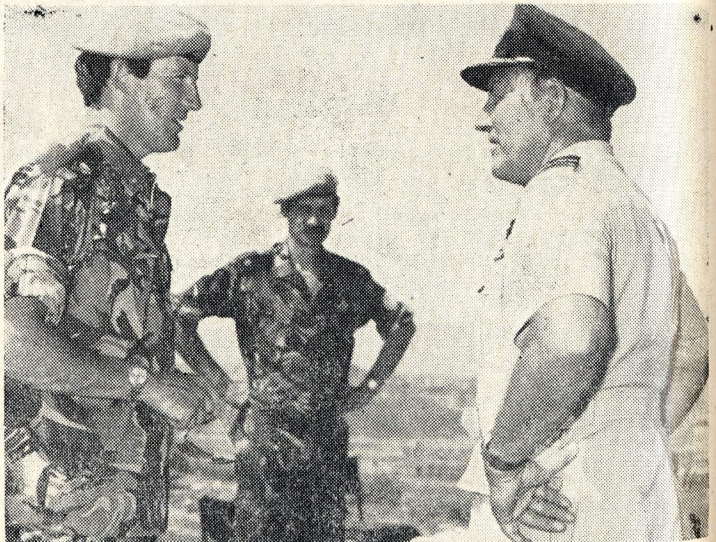
SBA's ADMINISTRATOR IN SECTOR 2



The Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas, Air Vice Marshal R.D. Austen-Smith CB DFC, recently visited the new battalion in Sector Two. During his tour he was pictured above inspecting a Quarter Guard provided by A Company, 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Rangers at the Box Factory at Pano Zodhia. He then drove along the patrol track to visit some of the OPs, before having lunch by the water tower OP near Dhernia.



Air Vice Marshal Austen-Smith seen with Lieutenant Colonel Clements, the Commanding Officer of 1st Battalion The Royal Irish Rangers, on the patrol track.



Major Moody, A Company's commander, talking to the Administrator at Dhernia watched by the Second-in-Command Major Larkin.

MEDAL PARADE AT LARNACA



Am 24. Mai fand beim AUSCON im kleinen Rahmen die Medal Parade statt. The Force Commander presenting the UN-medal to AUSCON-members.

AMBASSADOR VISITS WALDHEIM'S MILITARY ADVISOR



Der militärische Berater des UN-Generalsekretärs, General KOHO, besuchte am 14. Mai die Pufferzone im Sektor 5 und traf am Abend desselben Tages während eines gemütlichen Beisammenseins im Offizierskasino auch mit dem österreichischen Botschafter in Griechenland, Dr. Haimo KOLLER, zusammen.

On 14 May AUSCON was visited by General KOHO, who met thatevening the Austrian Ambassador in the Officers' Mess in Larnaca.

THE SPORTS OFFICER



Der "rührend" um das Wohl seiner Sportler besorgte Sportoffizier, Lt KÖRNER.

High Commissioner Visits 12e RBC



The Canadian High Commissioner to Cyprus, His Excellency Mr Lee, inspects the Canadian Contingent Quarter Guard. Le haut Commissaire canadien a Chypre, son Excellence M Lee, inspectant la garde de caserne du Contingent Canadien.

UN Medals for CANCON

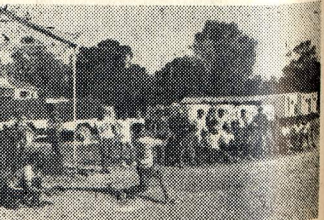


LCol Geddry, Maj Taylor, RSM Grenon and SSM Maybee with recent recipients of the UN medal. Le LCol Geddry le Major Tayler, le SMR Grenon et le SME Maybee avec les nouveaux recipiendaire de la medaille des U.N.



During the Men's Mess Dinner, Sgt Jacques Cayer serves the soup course to M/Cpl Provost. Lors du diner officiel des hommes, le Sgt Jacques Cayer serve un potage au Cpl/C Provost

Fast-ball League



Some of the action in the Contingent Fastball league.

ENGLISH SUMMARY

On the left "our man in UN HQ New York", Major General L Koho, Military Adviser to Sec-Gen Waldheim, visited Sector 3 for an up-to-date briefing. He is seen on the left speaking with Lt Col P Saarikoski.

Gold for FINCON — below right on 14 May, a Cross-Country Competition was held. The Finns won the award for the best team, second place went to SWEDCON's team and third place to Force Reserve. In the individual competition, the winner was Tuure Paksuniemi who beat the runner-up by one minute.

Since 1974 some Trident jet aircraft have been stuck at Nicosia Airport. Recently they reverted to the ownership of British Airways and after repair and renovation took off for London on 12th May. The last one was pictured as it took off.

VIERAILU

"Miehemme YK:ssa" vieraili saarella 12.—16.5. Kenrm Koho, YK:n pääsihteerin sotilasneuvonantaja, ja evl P Saarikoski keskustelussa ennen sektori 3:n nykytilanteeseen tutustumista.

FINCON NEWS

KULTAA: FINCON

14.5. Ottivat eri Contingentit maastajuoksussa mittaa toisistaan. Joukkueen koko oli viisi miestä. Suomen jälkeen tuli Ruotsin joukkue, kolmanneksi englantilaiset. Paras henkilökohtaisessa kilpailussa oli jääk Tuure Paksuniemi, joka jätti seuraavaa n. minuutilla. Ei ollut kaveri ensi kertaa radalla.



TRIDENTIT LÄHTIVÄT

Vuodesta 1974 ovat saaneet kaksi Cyprus Airwaysin Trident-suihkumatkustajakonttta seistä toimettomana Nicosian lentokenttäterminaalissa. Nyt koneet on myyty British Airwaysille ja ne ovat saaneet uuden asianmukaisen maalauksen. 12.5. ne vihdoin saivat luvan lähteä "muuttomatkalle" Englantiin. Aikansa koneitaan lämmiteltyään ne sitten nousivatkin taivaalle jättäen jälkeensä vain mustan savuvanan. Uteliaita katsojia oli Kerääntynyt melkoinen joukko terminaalin terassille.



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FINNISH RUNNER WINS



Paksuniemi out in front. He went on to win the race with a time of 25 minutes 55 seconds.



The Force Cross Country Running Competition was well organised by the Finnish Contingent at Nicosia on 14th May. Seven teams entered the competition, in which there was both a team and an individual event. The race was run over a 5.8 mile course South of Nicosia Airport. The individual winner was Paksuniemi of Fincon with Liegh of the Force Reserve second. In the team event the results were;

1st FINCON
2nd SWEDCON
3rd Force Reserve
4th BRITCON (1 R IRISH)

5th AUSCON
6th CANCON
7th BRITCON (Sup. Regiment)

NEW STAMP TO COMMEMORATE SECURITY COUNCIL



Four new stamps will be issued by the United Nations Postal Administration on 27th May 1977, for use in New York and Geneva, to commemorate the fifteen member United Nations Security Council.

These stamps will be sale in the Finance Office at the Headquarters from 27th May 1977.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS

2 Weeks ending 1st June	10	Total for the same period	
Same period last year	22	last year	130
Total for the year	97		

LESSON OF THE MONTH

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