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DR. GUYER'S VISIT

Dr. Roberto Guyer, UN Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs, ended his "familiarisation visit" to Cyprus last Thursday after five crowded days, in which he not only visited all the national contingents comprising UNFICYP, but also carried out a busy programme of discussions and meetings with all the parties concerned in the Cyprus problem.

On Tuesday, after a meeting with officials at the Foreign Ministry, Dr. Guyer, who was

accompanied by Major General Prem Chand and Dr. Osorio-Tafall, called on His Beatitude Archbishop Makarios. There followed a working luncheon at the Presidential Palace, at which the Foreign Minister, Mr. Spyros Kyprianou, Mr. Glafcos Clerides, and Dr. Remy Gorgé, UNFICYP's Senior Political and Legal Adviser, were also present.

The following day, Dr. Guyer, together with the Force Commander and Dr. Osorio-Tafall, called on the Vice-President, Dr. Fazil Kuchuk, and had discussions with Mr. Rauf Denktash and other officials of the Turkish Cypriot Leadership.

Dr. Guyer found time to visit each of the national contingents where he was briefed on the local situation



(L to R) Dr. Guyer, The Force Commander and Dr. Osorio Tafall seen arriving at Headquarters UNFICYP for their first official meeting.



● From an OP in the Kyrenia Range the Force Commander points out to Dr. Guyer some of the places of interest and saw UN soldiers engaged in the routine duties of keeping the peace. In a "whistle

Stop" tour, which included several of the most isolated locations, he was able to get a fair impression of the size and scope of UNFICYP's mission.

Shortly before his departure on Thursday, Dr. Guyer had further last minute consultations with senior officials at HQ UNFICYP. It is to be hoped that he found his visit both worthwhile and enjoyable. All contingents contributed to the success of the visit, and the Force Commander, in a special message to all contingents, has expressed his appreciation to all ranks.

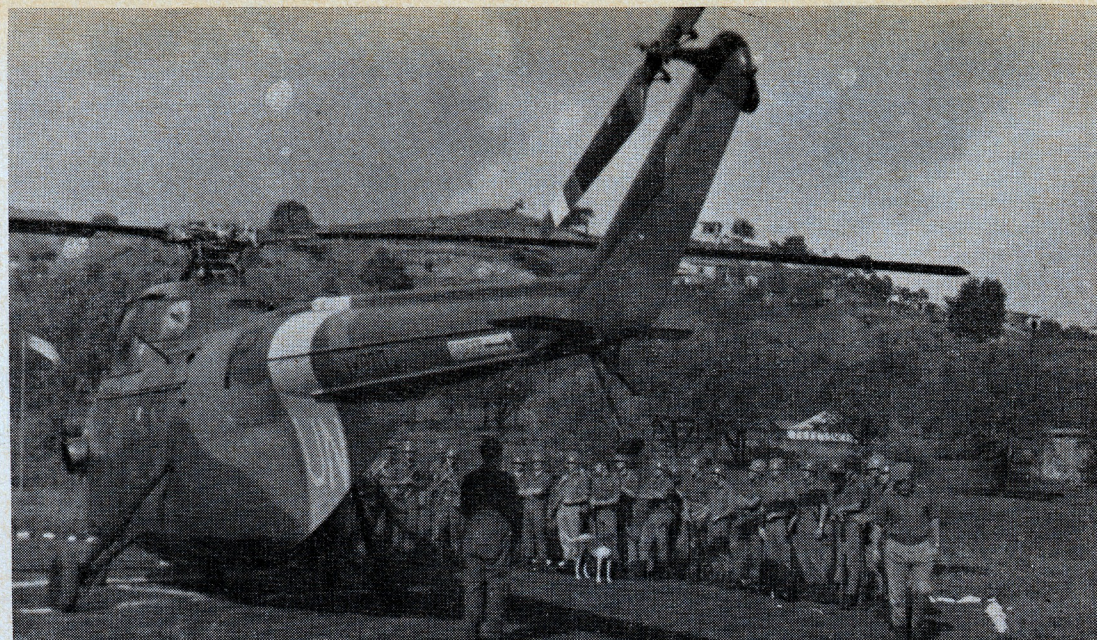
● The guests at the luncheon given by Dr. Osorio Tafall for Dr. Roberto Guyer.



HELIKOPTER TRÆNING

Ved siden af tjenesten på OPer, samt vagt- og beredskabstjeneste brydes dagligdagen ved LKMP af en for danske soldater usædvanlig uddannelse, helikoptertræningen, i hvilken soldaterne uddannes således, at de er fuldt fortrolige med at blive forlagt pr. helikopter. Uddannelsen har omfattet bl. a. gennemgang af sikkerhedsbestemmelser, indøvelse i op- og afsidning samt forhold under transport, alt sammen forestået af dygtige engelske instruktører - en uddannelse, som de danske jenser, som også billederne viser, er gået op i med liv og sjæl.

● Holdet er her samlet til den sidste instruktion, inden den praktiske indøvelse skal finde sted.



● Helikopteren er landet, og GRP farer frem fra sit skjul, førstemanden er allerede klar til at give kammeraterne en hjælpende hånd ved opstigningen.



DANCON NYT



● Og allerede inden helikopteren er landet i indsættelsesområdet, er første mand på vej, bøjet sammen i springet som han har lært ved instruktionen.

● Og snart er GRP, uden at helikopteren har rørt jorden, ude af maskinen, klar til umiddelbar indsættelse.

DR. GUYER PÅ BESØG HOS DANCON

Argentineren dr. Roberto Guyer, der nylig er udvænt til generalsekretær U Thants nærmeste hjælper i Special Political Affairs, besøgte i den forløbne uge også Dancon, hvor han blandt andet fik en briefing om forholdene i Lefka district.

● Dr. Roberto Guyer hilser her på æresvagten ledsaget af Force Commander, dennes adjutant og CH/DANCON.



FC PÅ CAMPEN

Force Commander, generalmajor D. Prem Chand besøgte forrige uge Carl Gustav Camp hele to gange. Dels kom han på tirsdagen sammen med dr Roberto Guyer og to dage senere ensam for den egentlige inspektionen. Generalen møttes af en hedersvakt opstillet på exercisplanen der han også hilsede styrkan velkommen til øn. Specielt iøjentagende var en nymålad hjelm som glæste i solen. Hovedbonaden tilhørte C 4 plut, løjtnant Janis Mieritis som bildede effektivt hørerflank. (Bilden t.v.)

Efter gennemgang der respektive sektionschefer helt kort presenterede sine afdelinger fortsatte inspektionen til Karaolos, nær til Othello Tower i Old City og opp på Salamis Road igen via Sakarya. Når generalen efter lunch besøgte campen fik han også mottage ett iordningsställt fotoalbum med bilder från sina två dagars besök hos Sweden.



VECKAN SOM VAR PÅ 46:AN

Är det värmen som gör att bataljonens bibliotek ligger öde? Bibliotekarien väntar faktiskt fortfarande på läntagare. För att stimulera läslusten har Sektion 3 gömt en uppmuntrings-present bakom Chaplins memoarer. Den tillfaller den tionde som fyller i ett lånekort.....

★ Ett tack till Civilpolisen som räddat bataljonens fungerande press-tjänst. Mitt under förra veckan när 46 C hade två betydande besök på Carl Gustav Camp drog vår torkepress sitt sista andetag. En tillräckligt dimensionerad tork tar fjorton dagar att få ner från Sverige. Men Civpol hade en! Och därmed blev det också bilder till denna Blue Beret. Stabsredaktören har ett speciellt tack att rikta till civpolarna i Angastina. Härmdagen när det var extra varmt behagade vår bil att koka på huvdvägen precis utanför byn. Man kör upp, bromsar in och knackar på och frågar så artig om man kan få en hink vatten. En förvånad vakthavande erbjuder vänligt:

—Inte skall du dricka vatten du kan få en öl i stället!



Våra kp-bilar luftades för första gången utanför campen i veckan. I. plut marscherade till skjutbanorna vid Dhekeliabasen. På bilden nedan Arne Pettersson från Sävsjö t.h och Björn Wiström från Norrköping som monterar kulsprutorna.



Det går rykte om att brist på kompasser orsakade viss förvirring vid första Stavrosmarschen. Kompasser finns annars på huvudförrådet. Det är ju snart marschdags igen.....



Det frågas efter det första numret av Cyprisen för bataljon 46. Omkring mitten av denna månad är det första numret planerat till. Totalt skall göras ett exemplar i månaden. Tecknare, insändarskribenter, och kåsörer saknas. Inte minst från Civpol önskas textbidrag.

FN-DIPLOMAT I FAMAGUSTA

Generalsekretäre U Thants speciella rådgivare i politiska frågor, Dr. Roberto Guyer från Argentina har gästat Cypern som bekant. Innan besöket hos oss mottogs dr Guyer dels av president Makarios och dels av vicepresidenten dr Kuchuck. Avsikten med besöket var att få en ingående orientering om de nuvarande förhållandena. Dr. Guyer anlände till Famagusta med helikopter från Chatos där bataljonschefen hälsat välkommen. Dr. Guyer föredrog senare på eftermiddagen ett besök vid Barnabas-klostret (bilden ovan) där han guidades av major Hans Akke. Senare på kvällen gavs en middag i Famagusta där FN:s speciella sändebud på Cypern, Mr Osorio-Tafall, var gästtälare.



KÖRSÅNGARE

Inte nog med att pastor Hansson fortfarande vill ha mer brevönskningar till Snyften. Ytterligare en punkt har kommit upp på hans önskelista: Kyrkokören har glesa led. Helst bör eventuella förmågor vara notkunniga och om möjligt ha någon erfarenhet. Dock ger övning som bekant färdighet. Bataljonens kantor, dr Helin, kommer att leda kören dit redan resebyråmannen "Spies" Lundblad föregått med gått exempel och anmält sig. Gudstjänst ordnas varje söndag med början klockan 17.45. Vid premiärhögtiden i kapellet var endast tio procent av styrkan närvarande. En stencil har i dagarna kommit ut med information om kyrkogången och om det akuta behovet av körsångare som helst bör vara en fungenade enhet inom kort.

SWEDCON NEWS

Swedish Forces Photos



GORDON HIGHLANDERS TAKE OVER

The 1st Battalion The Gordon Highlanders assumed operational control for the Limassol Zone on 27th April from the 3rd Royal Green Jackets. The rotation went smoothly, and the Highlanders have quickly settled into their new role.

The battalion, which flew from RAF Kinloss in Scotland, was given a stirring send off by the pipes and drums as they embarked and no doubt the skirl of the pipes will soon be a familiar sound here in Cyprus.

• Dress for the occasion! The poor weather for April made the dress of Lance Corporal James Bond, Private Sandy Sanderson and Sergeant Len Green highly suitable as they arrived at RAF Akrotiri.



FIRST VISITOR FOR GORDONS

1 Gordons took over formally from 3 RGJ at 1200 hours on 27th April. At 1530 hours Dr. Guyer arrived to visit them. Quick worker!

Dr Guyer, accompanied by the Force Commander and Colonel D.E. Thornton, Combritcon, was given a twenty minute briefing at Polemidhia and then flew to Anadhiou to see a typical outpost. He is seen here leaving the Ops Room at Polemidhia accompanied by Lieutenant Colonel J.R.A. MacMillan.

BRITCON NEWS



Handover

• Lance Corporal Murphy and Sergeant Milne, of the Gordon Highlanders, check tools that they have just taken over from the 3rd Battalion The Royal Green Jackets.



BRITCON ROTATION

A moving moment. Corporal Robert Stronach, Provost Corporal of 1st Battalion The Gordon Highlanders, is seen raising the flag of the Gordons at Polemidhia Camp. He is watched by Corporal John Smith, 3rd Battalion Royal Green Jackets, who holds his Battalion flag over his arm.



• Dr. Guyer, Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs seen shaking hands with Captain G. H. Peebles, Adjutant 1 Gordons. The Force Commander is seen talking to Lieutenant Colonel J.R.A. MacMillan, Commanding Officer.

ARMOURD CAR CREWS

The Panhards of the Armoured Car Group were soon "on show", as the Signals Officers Convention specifically requested that two of them be made available for the day.

The crew consisted of Troop Sergeant Colm ("Doc") O'Callaghan, Gunner/Operator Corporal James Walker and Driver, Trooper Eugene Keenan. Since this trio between them can muster a total of 15 overseas trips, it can be assumed that they took this congenial detail in their stride.



SEEING THE SIGHTS

When the Group photographer brought the proof of this shot to the Ops Information Officer, his immediate reaction was surprise at the apparent sight of a couple of determined guards on a local factory. The explanation was quite simple however — Private Jim Hickey (right) was showing the sights of beautiful downtown Zygi to Private Bat Bennis when they were asked to pose for a snapshot. The cudgles? Nothing more lethal than dog-repellants.



NEW ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation, Officers for the use of, has long been a thorny question in Zygi Camp. The announcement that new quarters were to be erected at the rear of the Officers Mess was greeted with delight and relief, particularly from occupants of the "Zygi Hilton"! Lt. Colonel J.J. Griffin, OC 20 Inf. Gp, turned the first sod on the new site.

Oh! THOSE MACS AND O's!

It is always a sobering thought that your own name probably sounds as funny to Finns, Danes or Swedes as theirs do to you. In the case of Irishmen, the problem is compounded by certain historical factors, so it may be of interest to expound a little on the matter of Irish surnames.

The first problem is that Irish family names may be (1) Irish (2) Norman or foreign or (3) an Anglicised version of a native Irish name. A latter-day complication is the fact that some Irishmen insist on their right to use the Gaelic version of their names, whilst their colleagues will persist on using the English version. For that reason, don't be surprised if you come across an Irishman with "MacConnradha" given as his official name,

while everybody calls him by the English form — "Croue". "Mac", is easily explained, since it is exactly the same as the Scots Gaelic prefix meaning "son of". O is more distinctively Irish and means "descendant of". Some years ago, a fallacious idea I got about that "Mac" and "O" prefixes represented true Irish stock, as distinct from the simple unadorned surname. Many Irishmen tried to jump on this genealogical bandwagon, with the result that all

NEW ARRIVALS

A group of new arrivals to Zygi Camp pose for a snapshot outside their new quarters. They are (l to r) Privates Christy Porter, Pat Mooney, Mick Kinsella and Corporal James McDonald.



sorts of confusion arose when Birth Certificates were consulted for official purposes. In point of fact, the notion is entirely groundless and there is no difference between the Donnels, O'Donnells or Mac-Donnells.

Some confusion arises from the custom of using the Gaelic form of the first name. Most people would probably connect, "Sean" and "John", but Seamus/James is a bit more

difficult, whilst Tadhg for Tim is something that only an Irishman would know.

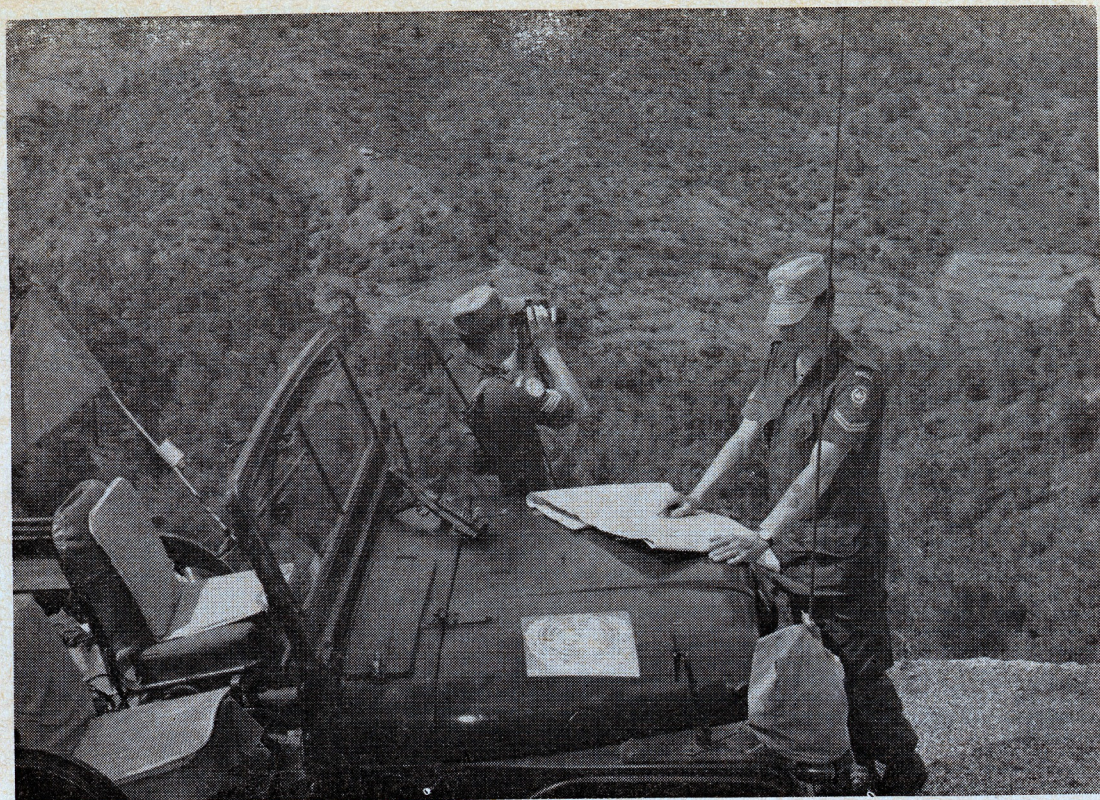
It's all good fun, however, and is certainly an excellent way to break the conversational ice. Maybe you'll meet an Irish opposite number whose name you'll never learn to pronounce accurately and correctly. Don't worry too much about it — most Irishmen could quite as easily have the same difficulty!

IRCON NEWS



UNFICYP SIGNALS CONVENTION

UNFICYP Signal Officers Convention was held at Camp Blue Beret on 29th April. The group, representative of all UN Contingents serving in Cyprus, includes Lieutenant Colonel David Ranft, outgoing CSO, and his replacement, major J. Cathcart, Commandant P. J. Sullivan and Lieutenant J. Roche, Group Signals Officer.



RECCE PATROL

Long range patrolling, one of the frequent tasks of the reconnaissance patrol of Reserve Company, covers many of the skills a soldier is taught and expects to use. Map reading, surveillance, radio operations as well as the opportunity to study the country side are carried out by Sergeant Don Rhittler and Corporal U. Silla.

Dr. Guyer at Nicosia

Dr Roberto Guyer, Under-Secretary-General for Special Political Affairs at United Nations Headquarters in New York, on a recent five day tour of the island paid a visit to the Canadian Contingent and the company outposts. Accompanied by the District Commander, Lieutenant Colonel W. E. Hutchinson, and the Force Commander, Major General D. Prem Chand, the group are given an outpost briefing by Private Tom Gillis of City Company.



● Showing equal enthusiasm! Both participants and audience from Suberbia Company become involved during the recent inter-company sports tabloid held at the Walseley sports centre. Privates Quinn, Reiger, Nelson and Corporal Walker watch Private Jason in an airborne antic on the trampoline.

CANCON NEWS

Canadian Forces Photos

EXPLORER'S CORNER

A conducted tour of the port town of Larnaca will cover the nearby Salt Lake and over to the village of Lefkara, famous for one of the most widely acclaimed products of Cyprus, hand made Lefkara lace. The bus will leave Blue Beret Camp (Mens Mess) 10 a.m., and 1015 (Ledra Palace) on Sunday 9th May, returning to Nicosia at 1700.



● Stopping for a break in the Cyprus hills, the reconnaissance patrol of Sergeant Ritthaler, Corporals Silla and Firth, Sergeant Villager, and Corporals Douglas and Murray enjoys the view of the pleasant country.



● Overlooking the city of Nicosia from the UN outpost atop the oil factory, Major Keith Corbould, Commander of Suberbia Company, briefs Dr. Roberto Guyer on their location and specific functions during his visit to the Canadian Contingent.

TOHTORI ROBERTO GUYER'IN VIERALLI FINCONISSA

Yhdistyneiden Kansakuntien poliittisten asioiden apulaispääsihteeri Tri Roberto Guyer vieraili Kyproksen matkansa aikana myös YK:n Suomen Pataljoonassa. Huhtikuun 26. iltapäivällä saapui hän seurueineen Kykko Campiin jossa hänet otti vastaan pataljoonan komentajan sijainen maj P Mattinen. Tarkastettuaan kunnia osaston toivotti maj Mattinen seurueen tervetulleeksi YKSP 14:ään. Kello viiden teen nauttimisen lomassa selvitti ltn Siilasvuo heille pataljoonan tehtävästä, sotilaallisesta ja poliittisesta tilanteesta Kyrenia Districtin alueella.

Esityksen jälkeen siirryttiin maj Mattisen johdolla OP Hill Topille, jossa tutustuttiin osapuolten ryhmiin ja viimeaikaisiin tapahtumiin vartiopaikan lähistöllä. Ilkosi mm havaittiin, että turkkilaiset olivat alkaneet poistaa paljon puhuttua piikkilankaestettä vartiokoppiensa ympäriltä. Tri Guyer osoitti erikoista mielenkiintoa vartiojääkärien viihtyvyyteen yksinäisillä vartiopaikoilla ja hämmästeli miten erakoluntuinen elämä sopii nuorille miehille. Hill Topilta poistuttaessa tutustutti maj Mattinen Tri Guyeriä Kyrenian alueeseen lennättämällä seuruetta helikopterilla alueen yläpuolella. Tyytyväisenä lyhyen vierailunsa omistamiseen poistui seurue jatkamaan tutustumista saaren muihin osiin.

Vierailunsa aikana Tri Guyer tapasi myös saaren korkeinta paikallista johtoa. Presidentti Makarios toi hallituksen virallisen kannan esille tarjoamallaan lounaalla presidentin palatsissa. Myöhemmin varapresidentti Denktash selvitti tri Guyer'ille kyproksen turkkilaisten kannan. 29. pvä hän palasi YK:n päämajaan New York'issa.



Tohtori Roberto Guyer tarkastaa kunnia osastoa. Korkea-arvoisen vieraan seurueineen otti vastaan pataljoonan komentajan sijainen majuri Paavo Mattinen.



Vieraiden mielenkiinnon kohteena oli erityisesti Kyrenian vuoristossa sijaitseva vartiopaikka Hill Top.

FINCON NEWS

SALATUT HÄÄT



Tahdotko Sinä Bruno Kalevi Kirjavainen ottaa vai... Tahdon.

Lomakausi alkaa

YKSP:n lomakausi alkaa 10.5. ja päättyy 15.7.71. Tänä aikana pataljoonan henkilöstöön kuuluville voidaan myöntää palvelusvapaata yhteensä yhdeksän vuorokautta, josta ulkomailta voi viettää seitsemän vuorokautta.

Rhodokselle ja Istanbuliin saa matkustaa vain kaksi henkilöä Finconista yhtäaikaan. Hakukattien on siis ilmoitettava hyvissä ajoin saadakseen paikat. Pelkkä lentolippu Istanbuliin maksaa £29.500 ja laivalippu Rhodokselle £15.000 — 23.000. Tarkempia tietoja matkoista antaa pataljoonan lomaupseeri.



Tekemiset ja tekemättä jättämiset on arvosteltu ja palkkiot jaettu. Etulekon päivänä kokoontuivat työnsä hyvin suorittaneet vastaanottamaan palkkionsa. Palkankorotuksen lisäksi yll P Keskiuokanen sai oikeuden kantaa kapteenin, ltn M Kiiski ja J Tuomola yliluutnantin ja väp K Ikonen sotilasvirkamiehen arvomerkkejä.

RECEPTION FOR DR. GUYER

On Tuesday, 27th April, Dr. Guyer was guest of honour at a reception given by Dr. Osorio-Tafall and Major General Prem Chand at the HQ UNFICYP Officers Mess. There were over 150 guests representing the Government, the two communities, and the diplomatic corps.



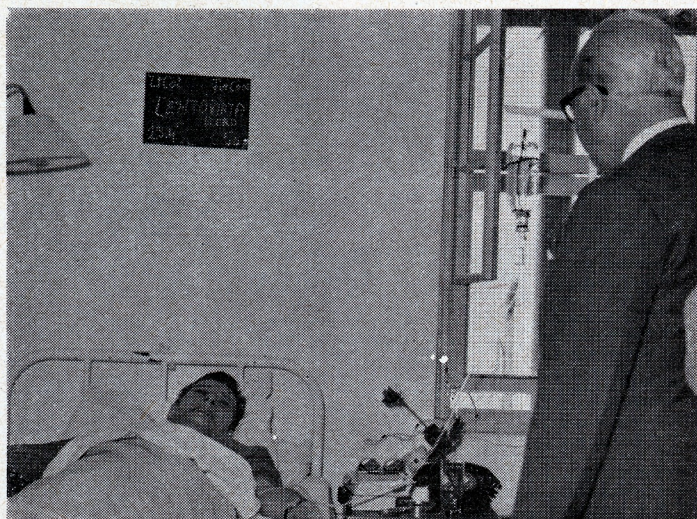
APPRECIATION

J.B. Hill, Group Scoutleader, 73rd Nicosia, would like to thank on behalf of all cubscouts, all those who gave their support during the recent "job week". In Nicosia, this is virtually the only source of outside income for the Scout Group, and on this occasion, the sum of £32 was raised through the efforts of the cubscouts.

● (L to R) Mrs. Osorio-Tafall, Mr. C. Seraphim, Director of the Forestry Department, Mrs. MacKenzie whose husband is head of the United Nations Development Programme in Cyprus, and Mrs. Seraphim.



● (L to R) Marchesa Antonella di Bugnano, the wife of the Italian Ambassador, Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the House of Representatives, Mrs. Prem Chand, and Mr. A. Olgun.



● During a brief visit to the Austrian Field Hospital Dr. Guyer toured the wards and stopped to have a special word with Lieutenant Colonel E.T. Lehtovirta, the Commander Fincon, who was recently admitted to the hospital suffering from pneumonia.

MP NOTEBOOK

ACCIDENTS — UNFICYP

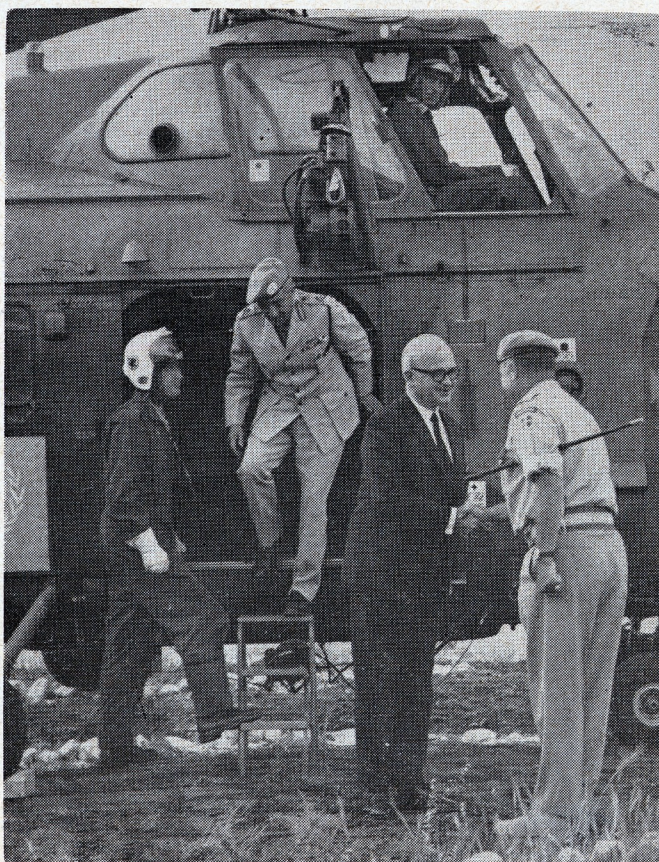
Week Ending		
1 May 1971	—	6
Same Period		
Last Year	—	6
Total This Year	—	108
Same Period		
Last Year	—	143

Main Cause Of Accidents This Week:

**"DRIVING WITHOUT
DUE CARE AND
ATTENTION"**

SAFETY TWIST

6 little drivers, impatient to arrive; one jumped a traffic light, and then there were five. "Don't Gamble a Year of Your Life to Save a Few Seconds".



THE FLYING DOCTOR

Dr. Guyer flew over much of the island by helicopter in order to call in on all the different national contingents.

He was able to visit several of the more remote outstations to see for himself the difficult and often arduous duties which are part of UNFICYP routine.

He is seen here being welcomed by Lieutenant Colonel P. E. P. Skov in Lefka District. The pilot of the "Whirlwind" helicopter belonging to 230 Squadron UNFICYP detachment is Squadron Leader T. S. C. Jones and the crewman Sergeant B. J. Cavern.