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ASSEMBLY TO RECESS?

Review of peace-keeping operations may be undertaken during adjournment

The United Nations General Assembly is expected to recess soon to allow for a comprehensive review of the whole issue of U.N. peacekeeping operations, including their financing.

The U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, told the General Assembly on Monday afternoon that a general feeling among Delegations favoured such a recess once agreement had been reached on how the peace-keeping review should be conducted.

Mr. Alex Quaison—Sackey of Ghana, the Assembly President, said his own consultations bore out U Thant's conclusions, and said he hoped for an agreement on the review machinery by Friday, at the latest.

Meanwhile, the Assembly scheduled a meeting on Wednesday to act on certain budgetary and other matters on which an early decision is required, and on which U Thant put forward proposals on Monday. Among them were a year's extension of the U.N. Agency caring for Palestine refugees and the appointment of a head to the new U.N. organ dealing with trade and development.

The present Assembly has not been able to function nor-

mally because of a constitutional and financial crisis involving the heavy costs of certain U.N. military operations, the refusal of some countries to pay their assessed share because of legal and political objections, and a Charter Article providing that Members two full years in arrears shall have no vote in the Assembly.

In his statement to the Assembly on Monday, U Thant — after mentioning that the predominant opinion favoured recess — added that the Assembly, of course, should be reconvened once those reviewing the peace-keeping issue were able to report a "substantial measure of agreement". Neither he, nor Mr. Quaison-Sackey, indicated how long

the adjournment might last.

Assembly action requested by U Thant at present included:

Continued authorization to him to enter into commitments and make expenditures up to 1964 levels, along with permission to transfer funds between categories of expense.

An appeal to Members to make advance payments to U.N. in amounts not less than 80 percent of last year's assessments.

A one-year extension of the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, whose mandate expires at the end of June this year.

Approval of Dr. Raul Prebisch, Argentine economist, as head of the permanent U.N. Conference on Trade and Development.

CONSULTATIONS ON INDONESIA'S WITHDRAWAL

THE U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, last week held a series of meetings with members of the Security Council and heads of the African-Asian and Latin American Groups of Member States for informal consultations on Indonesia's decision to withdraw from the United Nations.

A United Nations spokesman said the discussions were being held because there was no U.N. Charter provision covering the withdrawal of a Member State. He noted that Indonesia had recently sent a letter to the Secretary-General confirming the withdrawal decision.

The communication, transmitted the week before, said Indonesia's "actual withdrawal" from the U.N. had been carried out on 1 January, but suggested that the Indonesian Mission's office in New York, and that of the U.N. in Djakarta, remain open until 1 March for technical reasons.

Indonesia said the withdrawal was prompted by seating Malaysia in the Security Council. Indonesia contends the Malaysian Federation is but the creation of British neo-colonialism in South-East Asia.

Cyprus Mediator arrives today

The United Nations Mediator for Cyprus, Mr. Galo Plaza, is scheduled to arrive in Nicosia, from New York, today (Wednesday, 10 February) accompanied by F.T. Lu and Robin Miller, his political advisers.

Mr. Plaza will remain in Nicosia until 16 February when he intends to visit Ankara for two days. On 22 February he will visit Athens and London before returning New York on 28 February.

Tunnel blocked — area under UNFICYP control

The following statement was issued by an UNFICYP spokesman on Monday:—

"The tunnel which was uncovered last month in the Roccas Bastion in Nicosia has now been blocked off at the eastern edge of the bastion. The whole bastion, including the portion of the tunnel within it, is under complete UNFICYP control.

A permanent UNFICYP position has been established on top of the bastion to ensure continuous surveillance."

TOAST TO THE BRIDE



Colonel E. Siilasvuo, the Commander of the Finnish Contingent, proposes a toast to Sgt Ensio Vaalto of YKSP2 and his bride, Vuokko Mikkonen at their wedding reception at Kykko Camp last week.

(More pictures and story on page 3.)

SUOMALAISHÄÄT KYPROKESSA

Suuret, koko pataljoonaa yhdistävät juhlat ovat harvinaisia YKSP S2:ssa. Joukko-osastomme on saarella suorittamassa sille asetettua palvelustehtävää, joka täyttää sen jäsenten ajan ja ajatuksetkin. Itsenäisyyspäivä ja joulua vietettiin täällä kuitenkin yhteisesti ja kansallisten perinteiden mukaan. Mutta muutama päivä sitten suomalaisella pataljoonalla oli juhla, joka edellisten tapaan jää varmasti jokaisen mukana elleen mieleen. Kyproksessa vietettiin suomalaiset häät.

Vuokko Mikkonen on hyvin nuori ja hyvin vaalea ja hyvin hiljainen kainuulaistyttö, joka kaukaa Kontiomäestä tulvihittäväsivi avioliittoon yhtä vähäpuheisen, mutta sitäkin jämerämmän ja päättäväisemmän YK-kersantin Ensio Vaallon kanssa. Ehkäpä pitkä matka olisi jäänyt tekemättä, ellei eräs suomalainen aika-kauslehti olisi valinnut kihlautuneita "romanttiseksi onnenpariksi" ja suurenmoisena lahjana antanut siihen mahdollisuutta.

Vihkimistilaisuus oli pataljoonan vakinaisesti käyttämässä St Paulin kirkossa Nikosiassa. Vieraiden joukossa oli mm. Suomen asiainhoitaja, maisteri Pekka Malinen, pataljoonan johto, sulhasen oman kompanian kaikki vapaana olevat miehet ja runsas edustus muistakin yksiköistä. Pataljoonan komentaja, eversti E. Siilasvuo saattoi morsiamisen kirkkoon ja toimi siten hänen omaistensa edustajana. Vihkimisen suoritti suomalaisten sotilaspastori Pekka Kuusiniemi. Vastavihityn parin poistuessa kirkosta kaksi kivääriryhmää ryhtyi juhlaan tervehdykseen. Pataljoonan jalkapallojoukkue, jonka avainpelaajia kersantti Vaalto on, oli kokonaisuudessaan omana kunniakujana.

Häällillisellet YKSP:n huoltokeskukseen Kykkon leiriin morsiuspari opastettiin kahden pansariauton ja moottoripyöräosaston saattamana. Suomalaiset sotapoliisit ohjasivat liikennettä kulke- reitin varrella. Illallispyödyssä olleiden noin 50 henkilön joukossa oli vain kaksi naista ja yksi siviilipukuinen herra. Mutta romantiikalla ei nyt ole Kyproksessa pysyvää sijaa. Kersantti Vaallon loma kestää vain muutaman päivän. Hän palaa ryhmänjohtajan tehtäviinsä, ja samoihin aikoihin nuori rouva lentää yli Euroopan palatakseen parinkymmenen lämpöasteemaa maasta kenties yhtä moneen pakkasasteeseen Kontiomäellä.

VIHREAN LINJAN VIESTI

Vihreää linjaa pitkin suoritettiin komppanioiden välinen katuviesti perjantaina 5 päivänä helmikuuta. Näin avattiin vihreän linjan käyttö kilpailevan rinnakkaiselin tarkoituksiin.

Kilpailun lähtöpaikka oli pataljoonan esikunnan edessä. Ensimmäistä viestiä veivät Esikunnan puolesta pataljoonan komentaja ja komppanioiden päälliköt. Tästä edelleen kilpailureitti noudatteli vihreää linjaa mahdollisimman tarkasti. Maalipaikka oli Flying Bedsteadin luona. Kilpailuosuuksia oli kymmenen ja osuuk- sien pituudet vaihtelivat 300 metrin ja 900 metrin välillä.

Kilpailun startti tapahtui kello

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10.30 Vielä ensimmäisessä vaihdossa olivat joukkueet samassa ryhmässä, mutta matkan varrella erottuivat jyvät akanoista. Melko

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Canadian Broadcasting Corporation			
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	0915 — 0930		
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Wednesday Finnish Programme
Thursday Irish Programme
Friday English Programme
Saturday Danish Programme
Sunday Request Programme

NOTE: Every Wednesday and Saturday a United Nations News Round-Up provided by the UN office in New York is broadcast.

PAPA EMILIO'S BAR I BEIRUT

BEIRUT - Dette Ostens handelsparadis - hvortil praktisk talt alle FN - soldaterne fra Cypern henlægges i hvert fald en del af deres ferie, er en særdeles livlig og farvestraelende by; men samtidig er det en hektisk by i dette ords egentlige forstand - helt forskellig fra Nicosia i mentalitet.

Når man som udsending fra De Forenede Nationer besøger Libanon, bør man absolut intet foretage sig, før man har spurgt Emilio. - Og hvem er saa denne Emilio, som man har hørt saa meget om? Gaza-folkene kender alle denne mand, der så beredvilligt hjælper dem tilrette i Beirut, men da Cypernstyrken, ny som den i realiteten er, ikke har de samme forudsætninger for at kende ham, vil en Cypern-soldat fortælle lidt om, hvad Emilio betyder for FN's orlovssoldater i Beirut:

Først et par praktiske oplysninger: Libanon har en befolkning på ca. 2 mill., defar de 800.000 i Beirut alene. Indbyggerne består af mange forskellige racer og trosretninger, men fælles for majoriteten er, at de er de fødte forretningsmænd, der i visse tilfælde skruer priserne i vejret til det dobbelte, hvis de kan komme af sted med det.

Man får den første ført af det, når man ankommer til hotellet og er klar til at drage ud at se på byen. "Taxi to Emilio?" - No, Sir! No good! Men tag af sted trods alle advarsler fra piccoloesnes side. Det betaler sig, for ingen kan (eller vil) som Emilio forklare hvor og hvad man skal købe og specielt til hvilke priser. I forbigående skal her nævnes, at Emilio veksler vores penge til den bedste kurs i Beirut (8,50 LL for et Engelsk - den amerikanske bank giver 8,40).

Når man efter at have lokaliseret baren i det forholdsvis skumle kvarter træder indenfor, fanges øjet først af de mange flag - danske, norske og svenske, der pryder det lille rums vægge. Thi vitteligt er stedet ikke stort (ca. 30 m²). Så heledes opmærksomheden brat på den charmerende og smilende unge mand bag baren, der på uforfalsket dansk siger: "Du er en af de nye "drenge" - gi' mig dine penge!" Man forbløffes. Gi' mig dine penge!?" - hvad bilder han sig ind? Men i løbet af 2 min. har

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samtligte tilstedeværende soldater i munden på hinanden forklater een, at man skal aflevere sine værdigenstande til Emilio, der så fungerer som bank og udbetaler et dagligt beløb til at gå i byen for (Og beløbet størrelse fastsættes af Emilio!) - Og der hjælper ingen kære mor - Emilio kan på lang afstand mærke, om man forsøger at skjule en enkelt 5-punds note, og på spørgsmålet: "Sværges du på det danske flag, at du ikke har mere? må man nødvendigvis ryste op med det hele. Dette system har fungeret upåklageligt siden 1957, da Emilio for første gang iværksatte sit private korstog mod de handlendes udnyttelse af FN-soldaterne. For når større indkøb skal gores, går Emilio personligt med i byen, og man kan være sikker på at få varerne til den aktuelle pris.

Naturligvis har denne hans virksomhed skaffet ham mange uvenner, men det tager ham mindre tungt, når bare hans drenge bliver ordentligt behandlet! De to eneste venner, han har ud over tallose soldater, er Tarzan og skopudseren Ali, der begge går til hånd og hjælper efter bedste evne.

Hvis Emilio havde villet udnyttet sine drenge, kunne han være millionær idag, men en sådan ind-

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Farewell party for Zone QM



FINNISH SERGEANT WEDS

A "first" for UNFICYP took place on Wednesday last week, when a wedding was solemnised between a member of the force and a national of his own country. Saint Paul's Church, Nicosia, was the scene when Sergeant Ensio Vaalto, aged 20, of Tornio, Lapland,



a platoon sergeant with 4 Company, YKSP 2, married Vuokko Mikkonen, also from Lapland.

After the wedding service, the couple were guests of honour at a special supper at Kykko Camp and then left for a six day honeymoon in Limassol. Among the guests as the wedding and supper were the Finnish Charge d' Affaires in Cyprus, Pekka Malinen and the Commander of the Finnish Contingent, Colonel Siilasvuo.

Our pictures show: Top left: Sergeant Vaalto and his bride arrive at the church. Left: The newlyweds leaving the church after the ceremony. Above: The bridal pair talking with Major Veijo Nurmi, Company Commander of 4 Company.

Major Bruno Krueger — Joergessen of the Danish Contingent, the outgoing Nicosia Zone Quartermaster was the guest of honour at a party at Kykko Camp last week. Our pictures show: — Above (top) Maj Joergessen, promoted to

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an honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of the Finnish Defence force with (left to right) Maj Aage Mortenssen, the new QM, Lt Col Eric Francke and Major Aake Jauffs. Above: Lt Col Joergessen receiving congratulations on his promotion



Baking day in 'A' Company, 41 Inf Bn, cookhouse at Limnitis and Cpl William Stokes of Kilkenny (right) watches Pte Michael Kelly of Dublin preparing a batch of scones.

UNA FEDERATION HEARS MESSAGE FROM U THANT AT RECENT ASSEMBLY

THE nineteenth Assembly of the World Federation of United Nations Associations which groups non-governmental organizations which support the principles and work of the United Nations, recently held a week-long meeting in New Delhi.

U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, in a message to the Assembly expressed his "particular pleasure" in noting that the meeting was taking place at the beginning of International Co-operation Year.

Following is the text of the message which was delivered at the meeting by Leonard A. Berry, Director of the United Nations Information Service in New Delhi.

'World of conflicts'

"As you will recall, International Co-operation Year was first proposed by the late Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru. Speaking at the sixteenth session of the General Assembly, on 10 November 1961, Prime Minister Nehru observed that 'we live in a world of conflicts and yet the world goes on, undoubtedly because of the co-operation of nations and individuals'. He therefore recommended that the Assembly might resolve to devote a year 'not to speeches about peace' but to the furtherance of co-operative activities in all fields.

'Universal example'

"The United Nations today is the most important and nearly universal example of international co-operation at the governmental level. In twenty years it has grown from a set of principles drawn up in San Francisco into a living organism. Through its work in so many different fields of activity, it is the hope of thousands of millions of

people for peace and security and a more abundant life. "International co-operation is not, of course, the responsibility of Governments alone; it is also the responsibility of the peoples of the world working through organizations such as the World Federation of United Nations Associations. International Co-operation Year and the twentieth anniversary of the establishment of the Organization are therefore appropriate occasions for nations and individuals to appraise not only what has been and is being accomplished but also the tasks which lie before us.

'Deeply impressed'

"I am deeply impressed both with the achievements of United Nations Associations everywhere and the World Federation of United Nations Associations I commend the goals which you have set for yourselves in the future, particularly in promoting a wider and deeper understanding of the work of the United Nations and its family of agencies. Your continuing programmes in the field of teaching about the United Nations and the studies which you have made on the development of the international civil service are notable contributions.

"In the spirit of International Co-operation Year, I therefore wish you a fruitful and successful session."

Meeting of tribute to Maurice Pate

The 30-nation Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) held a special meeting at United Nations Headquarters last week to pay tribute to the memory of Maurice Pate, Executive Director of UNICEF, who died two weeks ago of a heart attack.

Mr. Pate had served with the Fund since it was established by the United Nations

International cooperation is "fully possible" - lecturer at UN HQ

IN a lecture given at United Nations Headquarters last week in connection with the observance of International Cooperation Year, a former Premier of France, Edgar Faure, said on Tuesday night that international cooperation was fully possible and could be durable.

Though international problems persisted, Mr. Faure said, they could be reduced and even made to disappear if properly dealt with.

He said that difficulties of international life could be placed under four categories of relations — those between industrialized countries and between "the liberal world" and the "socialist world"; relations between industrialized countries and countries in the process of development; and lastly, the lack of relations between certain states and the exclusion of certain powers from the world organization.

Another lecture in the series was given on Thursday night by Dr. Mohammed Kamel Hussein, a surgeon, scholar and educator from the United Arab Republic, who said international cooperation was the most promising factor in creating the right atmosphere to lead mankind to world peace.

Dr. Hussein said that in the last 10 years the United Nations had managed to prevent major clashes by ad hoc political means, but in the same period, he said, no new political theory to prevent war had emerged, except perhaps the idea of an international police force which he commented could be applied only as a limited temporary measure.

General Assembly in 1946.

Speaker after speaker took the floor to pay tribute to Mr. Pate for the untiring devotion with which he served the humanitarian mission of bringing aid to millions of needy children all over the world.

He was described as a truly international civil servant whose devotion to people knew no geographical or political boundaries.



IRISH CONTINGENT NEWS

4 INFANTRY GROUP

Now that we are fully operational, we would like to express our appreciation to Lt Col T. McDonald, Commander of 3 Inf Group, and his energetic staff not only for their homely welcome but also for their very detailed briefing and guided tour of Paphos District. The highlight of the tour unquestionably was the visit to an outpost on a bleak and wet afternoon to witness the expected pleasures of "active service" condition in Cyprus.

By now the reins of office at Group and Company locations have been accepted, and we look forward to furthering the efforts of UN in its mission here.

We are now looking forward to plenty of sunshine — we hope — games and not least a little hard work.

★ A certain maestro of the "big ball", who had intended competing in the Island Golf Championship, had to withdraw as work took precedence over pleasure.

41 INF BATTALION

Our visitors from Army Headquarters have returned to Ireland after a very enjoyable stay at our Camp, but we would have liked to prolong their visit especially until this week, and show them how happy we are when the weather is really bad.

★ The Battalion sporting programme had to be cancelled due to the weather, and soccer fans were particularly disappointed.

★ The recent absence of HQ Company bugler in the Holy Land has upset all the early risers. The olive grove cock, however has taken over temporarily.

★ We wish to deny the rumour that a certain company were adopting French. Wine waiters will have to be more particular in future.

SECRETARY GENERAL REPLIES TO PROTESTS ON CONTRIBUTION ARREARS FROM TEN STATES

SECRETARY-General, U Thant, replied last week to protests received from a number of countries against their listing in a recent U.N. Secretariat report as being more than two years in arrears in their contributions to the United Nations.

The protests arose from the fact that the Secretary-General included assessments against the costs of U.N. operations in the Congo and in the Middle East in calculating the extent to which Members were in arrears.

The protesting States —

Albania, Byelorussia, Czechoslovakia, Cuba, France, Hungary, Poland, Romania, the Soviet Union and the Ukraine — took the position that they were not obliged to contribute to these operations on the grounds that only the Security Council, and not the General Assembly, had the right under the U.N. Charter to authorise peacekeeping forces and make their support obligatory on Member States.

U Thant said the Secretariat was bound by resolutions and decisions of all principle organs of the United Nations despite any reservations or objections by some of the Members. In this case, he said, the Secretariat was bound to furnish to the Assembly the information available to it concerning the payment of contributions, and in so doing, it had to be guided by the financial regulations and the resolutions of the General Assembly.

In 1962, the International Court of Justice gave an advisory opinion to the effect that costs involved in the Middle East and the Congo fell within the expenses of the Organization which the Charter provides should be borne by Member States as apportioned by the General Assembly. The Court's opinion was subsequently endorsed by the Assembly.

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tasaisen karkiryhman muodostivat 5,2,3,4, komppaniit sekä Ensikuntakomppania. Viimeisssen vaihtoon saapui ensimmäisenä viides komppania ja sen ankuriosuuden juoksa ja pystyi pitämään pintansa maaliin asti. Viidennen komppanian voitaneessa joukkueessa juokisivat majuri Havu, jääkäri Saikkonen, jääkäri Pelkonen, kersantti A. Kaartinen, jääkäri Railo, Väepeli Linkkanen, jääkäri Kilpinen, kersantti Strandman, kersantti Saarinen ja kersantti Sinkkonen.

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	3) 3 JK	"	10.18
	4) EK	"	10.20
	5) 4 JK	"	10.35
	6) 1 JK	"	11.00
	7) E	"	12.05
	8) HK	"	13.59

SUUNNISTUSTA NIKOSIASSA

Paikasta GR 03657010 start-tasi 1.2. kello 12.30 ensimmäinen suunnistaja pataljoonan suunnistuskilpailuun, jonka rastit oli sijoitettu pataljoonan alueella Nikosian kaupunkiin. Kilpailu käytiin joukkuekilpailuna. komppanioiden välillä. Joka joukkueeseen kuului yksi upseeri, yksi aliupseeri ja yksi jääkäri. Suunnistus suoritettiin kaupunkialueella, joten se erosi mallo paljon kotimaisesta suunnistuksesta. Rasteja ei kuitenkaan ollut sijoitettu kielletyille kaduille. Upseereille ja aliupseereille oli polkupyörän käyttö sallittu.

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	III 4 JK	0.59.30	6vp
	IV HK	1.04.30	3vp
	V 5 JK	1.06.30	3vp
	VI EK	1.22.00	4vp

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SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD No. 16:- ACROSS:- 1. Sows. 5. Broach. 10. Adhere. 11. Free. 12. Lied. 13. Attire. 14. Annals. 16. Sid. 17. Natives. 19. Sag. 22. Ned. 24. Cashier. 27. Tar. 28. Dainty. 31. Actual. 33. Good. 34. Lies. 35. Exhale. 36. Coress. 37. Then. DOWN:- 1. Salads. 2. Odor. 3. When. 4. Sedan. 5. Beast. 6. Off. 7. Arisen. 8. Cerise. 9. Heed. 15. Lash. 18. Idea. 20. Acacia. 21. Garter. 23. Dryden. 25. Idles. 26. Right. 27. Talc. 29. Noah. 30. Tale. 32. Use.

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stilling ligger fjern for denne mand, der ved hvert orlovsholds afrejse arrangerer et afskedsparty enten i baren eller eventuelt hjemme hos ham privat. Og så præsenteres man for både Ostens specialiteter og dansk tillavet kaffe!

Til slut: Når I kommer til Beirut, så opsig Emilio, og døm selv. I vil værdsætte hans hjælpsomhed og venlighed.

U Thant comments on Cooperation Year

IN a statement recorded last week by United Nations Radio and Television and made available to broadcasting organizations throughout the world, the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, commented on International Co-operation Year and on the extent of such co-operation as it now existed.

U Thant said the world heard so much about conflict and strife that it sometimes did not realize the vast extent to which peoples were working together.

He said International Co-operation Year, in which the United Nations would observe the twentieth Anniversary of its founding, has been designated to show the accomplishments of international co-operation, which had been beneficial to mankind in many ways.

He said such co-operation was not easy, not even outside the political field. It required strenuous and continuing efforts by people from many lands and many cultures.

The Secretary-General said international co-operation demanded and deserved the help of everybody, whether inside or outside of government, and that if humanity were to survive, people of the United Nations had no choice but to co-operate.

ASSEMBLY ACTION ON OMAN ISSUE URGED

THE U.N. General Assembly should use its good offices to help settle the longstanding dispute about Oman in the South-East of the Arabian peninsula, according to a report issued at U.N. Headquarters last week.

The report was drawn up by the five-nation Committee established by the Assembly a little over a year ago. The Committee is formed by representatives from Afghanistan, Costa Rica, Nepal, Nigeria and the Senegal.

Since 1957, the Arab Members of the United Nations have been charging Great Britain with aggression against the independence and sovereignty of Oman — and the have referred in particular to the intervention of

British troops in the area in 1957.

Britain contends that Oman is not an independent political entity, but simply a part of the Sultanate of Muscat and Oman. She also argues that her 1957 action was undertaken at the Sultan's request to put down a foreign-supported rebellion.

The five-nation Committee said the Oman question was "a serious international problem deriving from imperialistic policies and foreign intervention in Muscat and Oman".



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Appeal for funds for UNFICYP

Cuba charges "aggression"

CUBA has declared it has irrefutable evidence that the Dominican Republic, together with the "colonial government of Puerto Rico and in open complicity with the United States" is openly committing acts of aggression against Cuban sovereignty, and providing mercenaries with weapons and equipment for their activity.

In a letter to the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cuba, Mr. Raul Roa, said the latest incidents directed against the security and independence of Cuba constituted flagrant violations of the United Nations Charter and threatened international peace and security.

Mr. Roa said Cuban military forces recently discovered, pursued and captured a group of armed foreign agents consisting of the counter-revolutionary leader Eloy Gutierrez Menoyo, and three mercenaries, and a quantity of weapons, explosives and radio equipment.

He said that according to statements made by the captured men, the group sailed from a training camp and operational base at the western extremity of the Dominican Republic near the border of Haiti. The Cuban Foreign Minister's letter said the weapons seized when the four men were captured were purchased in the United States.

\$2 MILLION SHORTAGE ON PREVIOUS MANDATE ESTIMATE

AN appeal for more funds for the United Nations peacekeeping operation in Cyprus was made by the U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, at a meeting last Wednesday with representatives of the 33 countries which have been providing voluntary financial support for the operation.

A United Nations spokesman at U.N. Headquarters in New York said the Secretary-General, in his appeal, had referred "in particular" to the period which expired on 26 December and the following period which ends on 26 March.

The spokesman added that there is still a shortage of more than two million dollars in the financing estimated at seven million dollars in the cost of UNFICYP for the three-month period ended 26 December. For the current three-month period there has been so far a contribution of one million dollars from the United Kingdom, \$40,000 from Austria, and pledges of \$100,000 from Australia, \$120,000 from Sweden, and six million francs from Belgium.

The 33 countries which have contributed to UNFICYP at any time so far are Australia, Austria, Belgium, Cambodia, Cyprus, Denmark, the Federal Republic of Germany, Finland, Greece, Iran, Israel, Italy, the Ivory Coast, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Liberia, Libya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Morocco, Nepal, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States, Venezuela and Vietnam.

Later in the week, the Fe-

deral Republic of Germany informed the United Nations of a decision to make a further contribution of \$500,000 to the costs of UNFICYP. The sum is made available for the current three-month period. Malta also informed the Secretary-General of the Government's decision to contribute £250 to the costs of UNFICYP.

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US - RUSSIAN PACT ON DESALINATION

THE Soviet Union and the United States have informed the International Atomic Energy Agency of an agreement concluded between them providing for close cooperation in their research in the use of nuclear and other forms of energy for large-scale desalination of water.

They have at the same time agreed to make available to the Agency information exchanged between them, and from time to time to invite the Agency to participate in their joint meetings.

The process of desalination by distillation—removing salt from saline water by heating it and condensing salt-free steam—has been practiced for centuries. So far, however, no process has been perfected for doing it on a scale enough to provide water for the cultivation of vast areas of arid land.

Of recent years there has developed a great interest in perfecting such a process or processes, and considerable progress has been made in the United States, in the Soviet Union and elsewhere.

Much of today's research relates to the use of nuclear energy as a source of heat since, for use on the large-scale projects envisaged, the cost of nuclear energy promises to be competitive with the cost of conventional form of energy and to offer other advantages.

Last December, a number of contracts were allocated for the development of a large plant on the west coast of the United States which envisages the combined production of electric power and desalinated water for the area.

A similar project is being jointly studied by the United States and Israel to supply water and power in the arid areas of the latter country.

The agreement now concluded between the Soviet Union and the United States was signed by their respective representatives to

the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna, Alexander Alexandrov and Frank K. Hefner, and handed over to the Acting Director of the Agency, Algie A. Wells.

Mr. Alexandrov described the agreement as the first step taken jointly by the two countries which, although small, might nevertheless help to create a better future. Mr. Wells said the very fact that the two countries were cooperating in the field and were willing to enable the agency to reap the benefits of that cooperation, was "truly significant".

Special mission to Israel-Jordan

THE U.N. Secretary-General, U Thant, last week sent a special mission to investigate recent incidents of firing involving Israel and Jordanian armed elements in Jerusalem, on Mount Scopus and elsewhere in the area.

The mission consists of Pier Spinelli, Director of the U.N. European Office, as Representative of the Secretary-General, and Maj. General I. J. Rikhye as military adviser.

The decision to send the mission followed receipt of a letter the previous week from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations and from the views on the situation expressed orally by the Representatives of Israel and Jordan.

Finnish supply run



Pictured above are members of the Recce Platoon of KSP 2 loading a Landrover with supplies at Kykko Camp before leaving on a supply run to some of the outlying posts in the Finnish Contingent area.