

and the mission was to be disbanded by the end of March. UNIPOM was commanded by a Canadian, Major-General Bruce Macdonald. Twelve Canadian officers formed part of the 90-man mission.

The United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan of just over 40 men continued its task of patrolling the cease-fire line in Kashmir as it has done since its establishment in 1949. Canadian participation in UNMOGIP had been expanded in September 1965 to help deal with the emergency, but during 1966 the Canadian complement was gradually reduced to its normal strength of nine officers and an eight-man detachment from the Royal Canadian Air Force to operate one RCAF *Caribou* aircraft.

Cyprus

The Security Council renewed the mandate of the UN Force in Cyprus on three separate occasions during the year.

In March, the Secretary-General reported that the parties concerned had shown little will to intensify their efforts towards a mutual accommodation although the military situation remained calm and the cease-fire continued to be observed. He said the continued functioning of UNFICYP was indispensable, however, if this calm was to be maintained. It had proved possible to reduce the strength of the force to about 5,000 officers and men. Problems of financing continued to be acute and a deficit remained of about \$5 million. On March 16, after urging the parties concerned "to act with the utmost restraint and to make determined efforts with a view to achieving the objectives of the Security Council", the Council extended the mandate of the force for another three months.

In June, the Secretary-General again reported that UNFICYP's continued presence was indispensable and recommended extension of the mandate for a further period of six months. Conditions in Cyprus, he said, underscored the maxim that peace-keeping was a means and not an end. It could only be a first step towards a peaceful settlement. Efforts at the highest level might have to be undertaken if this settlement was to be reached. He expressed hope that the decision of the Governments of Greece and Turkey to hold bilateral talks on Cyprus would contribute to a peaceful settlement. He again reported that the financial situation was unsatisfactory and criticized the method of raising money by voluntary contributions as inadequate. On June 16, the Council extended the mandate of the force for six months "in the firm hope that by the end of this period substantial progress towards a solution will have been achieved so as to render possible a withdrawal or a substantial reduction of the force".