
The collection consists of photos of Princess Patricia’s Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI) activities in Cyprus. The peacekeeping operation there was one of Canada's longest overseas military commitments. A large Canadian contingent served on the island from 1964 to 1993. Around the time the island became independent, friction between the Greek and Turkish ethnic groups in Cyprus grew, leading to violence across the island in 1963. Because of this unrest the United Nations Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) was established in 1964. The fragile balance reached was upset in 1974 with a coup d'etat by Greek Cypriots who wanted the island to become a part of Greece. In turn, Turkey invaded the island and took control of the northern part of Cyprus. Canadian and other UN peacekeepers suddenly found themselves in the middle of a war zone where there was little stability and much violence. After several weeks of active fighting, a cease-fire was negotiated. The UN established the famous "Green Line," a cease-fire line and buffer zone stretching across Cyprus, separating the portions of the island controlled by the Greeks and the Turks. From 1968, when the first PPCLI unit served, Patricia battalions rotated for six-month tours of duty with other Canadian Army units until 1993 when the last Canadian unit left Cyprus. In total, battalions of the Regiment served thirteen tours or a sum of six and a half years on the Mediterranean island.

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P280(4.3)-1 Beaver Lodge, Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1991. – See 1993 Patrician (p. 96).

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P280(9)-1 Colonel-in-Chief, Lady Patricia Brabourne, inspects 4 Platoon (1 PPCLI) during the official opening of Frezenberg House in Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1984 May 7. – On the left is Pte. Anthony Adhofer and behind Lady Patricia is Sgt. Jim Sirois.

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P280(13)-1 2 PPCLI Senior NCO team preparing for the trailer race during Logistics Company Pioneer Days, Cyprus. – 1982. – Capt. Bob Duncan (beard) looks on as (L-R) MWO Conrad Shaddock, MWO Ken Robertson, Sgt. “Ski” Kearsley and Sgt. Ray Germain point out the correct method to the CSM, MWO Jack Paul. – See 1983 Patrician (p. 32).

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P280(15)-1 An unidentified captain and possibly a Black second lieutenant looking at a plaque, Cyprus. – [ca. 1970s].


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P280(19)-1 A soldier (possibly from 2 VP) stands guard beside Observation Post “Stavros” in Cyprus. – [ca. 1972-1973].

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P280(25)-1 8 photos from 1 PPCLI’s final tour in Cyprus. – 1991.

P280(25.1)-1 Change of Command Parade as 1 PPCLI take over from 12ᵉ Régiment blindé du Canada (12e RBC) in Cyprus. – 1991 Mar. 9.


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P280(27)-1 3 photos of an entertainment troupe and an officer at his desk. – [ca. 1976].

P280(27.1)-1 4 unidentified women on a stage with a drummer in the background as part of the Western Canada Revue variety show. – 1976 Jul.

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P280(30.1)-1 Sgt. Wes Kopp pulling a small car with a rope tied to its bumper. – 1972-1973.

P280(30.2)-1 Sgt. Wes Kopp standing between a pair of corporals while working on the front of a large truck. – 1972-1973.


P280(32.2)-1  Cpl. Slater and an unidentified soldier arrive at Nicosia International Airport for 2 PPCLI’s tour in Cyprus. – 1972 Oct. – 2 copies.

P280(32.3)-1  A clerk in the company post office sells a sheet of stamps to a soldier / National Defence Photo. – 1976. – (IL76-307).

P280(32.4)-1  A pay clerk sits at his desk counting money / National Defence Photo. – 1976. – (IL76-303).

P280(32.5)-1  An unidentified corporal works on the engine of a jeep / National Defence Photo. – 1976. – (IL76-382).

P280(32.6)-1  A soldier (from 2 VP) mans a machine gun from the turret of an armoured personnel carrier in Cyprus. – 1976. – (IL 76-320). – Same as P280(23)-1.

P280(32.7)-1  Soldiers of the Colour Guard, carrying the Colours, prepare to board an RCAF transport aircraft (Boeing 707) in Winnipeg headed for Cyprus / Canadian Forces Photograph. – 1972 Oct. 4. – (1W 72-089-2).

P280(32.8)-1  A contact sheet showing 10 images of weapon training in Cyprus. – 1973 Jan. 29.

P280(32.9)-1  Pte. Grant talks on the telephone while holding binoculars in a UN observation post / National Defence Photo. – 1976. – (IL76-385).


P280(32.12)-1  A private (possibly Pte. B. Drury) and Cpl. McDonald check their equipment after arriving in Cyprus / Canadian Forces Photograph. – 1972. – (1W 72-97-44).

P280(32.13)-1  An unidentified corporal talks to a pair of cooks in the 2 VP company kitchen in Cyprus / Canadian Forces Photograph. – 1972. – The two cooks may be Cpl. J.R. Poitras and Cpl. W.J. Gilfoy. – (1W 72-97-32).

P280(32.14)-1  Dancers perform on stage in an auditorium full of soldiers. – 1976.


P280(32.17)-1 An unidentified captain points out something of interest to a group of civilians. – 1972/1976.

P280(32.18)-1 BGen. C.E. Beattie (Commander, Canadian Contingent) reviews 2 PPCLI at the Nicosia International Airport during the change of command ceremony for departing commander LCol. Bob Stewart (far left) and incoming commander LCol. Larry Gollner (second from left). – 1976 Aug. 10.

P280(32.19)-1 An unidentified private receives his UNFICYP medal from LGen. D. Prem Chand (Cyprus Force Commander) while LCol. J.H. Allan (OC 2 VP) and Col. C.E. Beattie (Commander, Canadian Contingent) look on. – 1973 Jan. 15.

P280(32.20)-1 LGen. D. Prem Chand (Cyprus Force Commander) reviews 2 PPCLI while Col. C.E. Beattie (Commander, Canadian Contingent ; wearing medals) looks on. – 1973 Jan. 15.

P280(33)-1 4 photos from the 1990 UNFICYP Swimming Gala held at the Blue Beret Camp swimming pool, Cyprus. – 1990 Jul. 25. – The CANCON team, captained by Capt. Scott Macdonald of 2 PPCLI, won the overall championship and each of the three relays (freestyle, medley, and chain-of-command).

P280(33.1)-1 Capt. Scott Macdonald (right) accepts the overall team championship from British Brigadier Walter Courage (UNFICYP Chief of Staff). – 1990 Jul. 25. – (98.39.01).


P280(33.3)-1 Maj. Walter Semianiw, MWO Jack McGregor, Lt. Gerhard Hildebrandt, Capt. Dave Gosselin (Sig O), and Capt. Scott Macdonald watch the competition from poolside. – 1990 Jul. 25. – (98.39.03).


P280(34)-1 Pte. Pike (probably of 2 VP) and possibly MGen. Lewis MacKenzie in Cyprus . – [ca. 1990].

P280(35)-1 2 unidentified, shirtless soldiers repairing a Quonset hut, Cyprus. – [ca. 1980s].

P280(36)-1 3 unidentified soldiers posing in front of the Temblos Observation Post, Cyprus. – [ca. 1976]. – (CL 77 500).

P280(37)-1 3 photos of soldiers on parade, Cyprus. – [ca. 1978].

P280(37.1)-1 Soldiers of the Quarter Guard take the salute from MGen. J.J. Quinn, UNFICYP Force Commander, and LCol. L.W. MacKenzie, OC 1 VP, during a UN tour of Sector 4, Cyprus. – 1978 May 12.
P280(37.2)-1 MGen. J.J. Quinn, UNFICYP Force Commander, inspects the Quarter Guard (1 VP) for Sector 4, Cyprus. – 1978 May 12.

P280(37.3)-1 A senior officer (possibly LCol. L.W. Mackenzie) addresses the troops. – [ca. 1978].

P280(38)-1 Soldiers formed up after arriving in Cyprus. – [ca. 1978]. – The soldier third from the left in the front row may be Cpl. R.W. Buchanan (1 VP).

P280(39)-1 4 photos of 1 PPCLI and 3 PPCLI in Cyprus. – 1975-1978.

P280(39.1)-1 A corporal (Welrisch?) and a sergeant stand together while holding their submachine guns and white UN helmets / CANCON Newspaper. – 1978 Jun.

P280(39.2)-1 Members of 1 PPCLI’s Logistics Company get a taste of flak jackets and weapons as they prepare for an exercise / CANCON Newspaper. – 1978 Jun.

P280(39.3)-1 A pair of UN-marked armoured personnel carriers head out on patrol / National Defence Photo. – 1975-1976. – See 1975-76 Patrician (p. 46).

P280(39.4)-1 A group of soldiers take part in a “Jeep Loading Contest” to see how many persons can fit into a jeep / CANCON Newspaper. – 1978 Jul. 1. – Winners were able to fit 22 persons in the jeep. – Faces (L-R): Pte. Rachar, Pte. Mape, Cpl. Brown, and Pte. Downey.

P280(40)-1 A soldier talking on the radio stands next to the Hanley’s Hill observation post, Cyprus / CFB Calgary. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – (CL 77 494).

P280(41)-1 2 photos of soldiers assembling equipment and heading to a campsite. – [ca. 1976].

P280(41.1)-1 A group of soldiers appear to be assembling a vehicle at night. – [ca. 1976]. – (PCN 76 153).

P280(41.2)-1 Soldiers in winter camouflage head for a tent with an armoured personnel carrier parked beside it. – [ca. 1976]. – (PCN 76 151).

P280(42)-1 5 photos of Lady Patricia Brabourne’s visit to 1 VP in Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9.

P280(42.1)-1 Lady Patricia inspects a pair of 1 VP soldiers stationed in the buffer zone, Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9. – The soldier closest to the camera is Pte. A.V. Ferris.

P280(42.2)-1 Lady Patricia inspects a pair of 1 VP soldiers stationed in the buffer zone, Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9. – The soldier closest to the camera may be Pte. G.C. Pitt and beside him may be Pte. R.P. Dekuysscher.


P280(42.4)-1 Lady Patricia takes the salute from Pte. Varidi of 1 VP at an observation post, Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9.

P280(42.5)-1 Lady Patricia talks to a female soldier (possibly a cadet?). – [ca. 1978].


P280(43.2)-1 An unidentified member of 1 VP is inspected by the Colonel of the Regiment, MGen. G.G. Brown, in Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9.


P280(45)-1 Soldiers in shorts and t-shirts moving sandbags in Cyprus to upgrade the bunkers and trenches of Sector Four’s Wolseley Barracks. – 1978 Jun. – Carrying the sandbags are M/Cpl. Martin (left) and M/Cpl. Brown (right) of 1 PPCLI’s Signals Platoon.

P280(46)-1 Lt. Krause escorts an unidentified woman during the visit of the Colonel-in-Chief (Lady Patricia Brabourne) and the Colonel of the Regiment (MGen. G.G. Brown) to 1 PPCLI in Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9.

P280(47)-1 MWO Kohl serves members of 1 PPCLI slices of a regimental “Colours” cake to celebrate the 63rd anniversary of the Battle of Frezenberg. – 1978 May 8. – Soldier standing in the background may be Pte. Popp.

P280(48)-1 Soldiers sit at outdoor tables with their gear while waiting for orders. – [ca. 1970s].

P280(49)-1 A group of men chat with Lady Patricia Brabourne in Cyprus. – 1978 May 5-9. – From left to right: unidentified, George Higgs, Jim Carrol, Howie Gagnon, Lady Patricia, and Dee Molnec.

P280(50)-1 17 photos from the Sector 4 Change of Command ceremony from 2 Royal Canadian Regiment to 1 PPCLI. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.1)-1 The 1 PPCLI Colour Guard prepares the Colours for the Change of Command parade in Cyprus. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.2)-1 Soldiers march for the parade followed by bagpipes and drums. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.3)-1 Soldiers march onto the parade square. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.4)-1 Soldiers of 2 Royal Canadian Regiment (RCR) formed up on the parade square. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.5)-1 The 2 RCR Colours are marched onto the parade square. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.6)-1 Senior officers of 1 PPCLI and 2 RCR watch as the 2 RCR flag is lowered. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.7)-1 Senior officers of 1 PPCLI and 2 RCR watch as the 1 PPCLI flag is prepared to be raised. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.8)-1 LCol. R. MacPherson (OC 2 RCR) comes to attention in front of Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff) during the flag ceremony. – 1978 Apr. 4.
P280(50.9)-1 Soldiers leaving the Change of Command Ceremony walk near the Ledra Palace Hotel, Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.10)-1 LCol. R. MacPherson (OC 2 RCR) and Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff) salute the 1 VP Colours while inspecting the newly arrived soldiers of 1 PPCLI. – 1978 Apr. 4. – In the background is the Ledra Palace Hotel in central Nicosia, Cyprus.

P280(50.11)-1 LCol. L. MacKenzie (OC 1 PPCLI) and Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff) inspect the soldiers of 1 PPCLI. – 1978 Apr. 4. – In the background is the Ledra Palace Hotel in central Nicosia, Cyprus.

P280(50.12)-1 At the party following the Change of Command Ceremony, LCol. R. MacPherson (OC 2 RCR) receives a farewell gift from Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff). – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.13)-1 LCol. R. MacPherson (OC 2 RCR) presents a small gift to an unidentified woman. – 1978 Apr. 4.


P280(50.15)-1 Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff) signs a guest book for a 1 PPCLI major. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(50.16)-1 Col. C.V. Carlson (UNFICYP Chief of Staff) signs the Change of Command Certificate as LCol. L. MacKenzie, 1 PPCLI (left), and LCol. R. MacPherson, 2 RCR (right), look on. – 1978 Apr. 4. – See 1978 Patrician (p. 7) for similar photo.

P280(50.17)-1 LCol. R. MacPherson, 2 RCR, adds his signature to the Change of Command Certificate as LCol. L. MacKenzie, 1 PPCLI (left), and Col. C.V. Carlson (centre) look on. – 1978 Apr. 4.

P280(51)-1 Pte. M.L. Deschamps (left) and Sgt. D.R. Weathers (right) of 3 VP pose while on patrol in the UN Buffer Zone in the old city of Nicosia / P.E. Stoehr. – 1988.

P280(52)-1 PPCLI soldiers standing at attention during a night parade. – [ca. 1980s].


P280(54)-1 An unidentified lieutenant checks his notes while leaning on a jeep as a master warrant officer looks on. – 1978. – The MWO has a distinctive tattoo on his left arm of a woman in a bikini. – (IL78-311).

P280(55)-1 Capt. Hackel and Pte. Perrault of A Company smile at the camera while sitting in their vehicle. – [ca. 1980s].

P280(56)-1 Pte. Tambo??e keeps watch at a UN Observation Post in Cyprus. – [ca. 1970s].

P280(57)-1 3 photos from 1 VP’s 1984 tour in Cyprus. – 1984 Apr.-Oct.
P280(57.1)-1 PPCLI members enjoying the pool at the Ledra Palace Hotel in Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1984 Apr.-Oct. – See 1984 Patrician (p. 24).

P280(57.2)-1 M/Cpl. Morley receiving his inoculations before leaving for Cyprus. – 1984. – See 1984 Patrician (p. 26).

P280(57.3)-1 Lt. Mike Beaudette takes 1st place at track and field in Dhekelia, Cyprus. – 1984 Apr.-Oct. – See 1984 Patrician (p. 26).

P280(58)-1 A soldier talking on the radio stands next to the Hanley’s Hill observation post, Cyprus / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – Same as P280(40)-1.

P280(59)-1 2 photos of 1 PPCLI soldiers in Cyprus. – 1971 Apr.-Oct.

P280(59.1)-1 An sergeant looks through binoculars while a corporal studies a map on the hood of a jeep during a patrol in a mountainous district of Cyprus / CFB Calgary Photo. – 1971 Apr.-Oct. – (CL 77 503).


P280(60)-1 4 photos of the Sector 4 Change of Command Parade from 1 PPCLI to 1 RCR in Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1984 Oct. 11.

P280(60.1)-1 An unidentified general inspects 1 VP soldiers as LCol. L.C. Bowen (1 RCR) looks on. – 1984 Oct. 11. – Soldiers standing at attention are Pte. Tom Reid (L) and Pte. Larry Holtz (R).

P280(60.2)-1 The Colour Guard enters the parade square carrying the 1 PPCLI Colours. – 1984 Oct. 11.

P280(60.3)-1 Soldiers stand at attention facing the senior PPCLI and RCR officers with the respective flags flying. – 1984 Oct. 11.

P280(60.4)-1 The pipes and drums prepare to march onto the parade square. – 1984 Oct. 11.

P280(61)-1 MGen. Gunther G. Greindl (Cyprus Force Commander) signs the Change of Command document turning over the responsibility of Sector 4 from 2 RCR to 1 PPCLI. – 1984 Apr. 8. – Standing just behind MGen. Greindl are LCol. J.S.H. Kempling (L), OC 1 PPCLI and LCol. W.J. Aitchison (R), OC 2 RCR.

P280(62)-1 3 photos of 1 VP in Cyprus and Calgary. – 1984.

P280(62.1)-1 Col. W.B.S. Sutherland (Colonel of the Regiment) presents UN medals during 1 PPCLI CANCON medals parade in Cyprus. – 1984 Aug. – See 1984 Patrician (p. 27).

P280(62.2)-1 The Countess Mountbatten of Burma, Lady Patricia Brabourne, Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment, studies the plaque outside Frezenberg House in Nicosia, Cyprus which she had had just officially opened. – 1984 May 7. – Standing guard at the house are Pte. Hewitt? or Jewitt? (L) and Pte. Henderson (R). – See 1984 Patrician (p. 26).


Box 2:

P280(1.1)-2 A Gazelle AH.1 helicopter with UN markings hovers beyond a barbed wire fence in Cyprus. – 1984.
P280(1.2)-2 A pair of pickup trucks and an AVGP (Armoured Vehicle General Purpose) are parked outside near a small building in Cyprus. – 1984

P280(1.3)-2 Maj. R.C. McLaughlin, OC Urban Coy of 3 VP, points out the cease-fire lines in the Buffer Zone (BZ) to the Honourable R.G. Rogers, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, while the RSM, CWO H.R. Stinson, and Capt. M.W. Brause look on. – 1988 Apr.
P280(1.4)-2 A concrete building with an arched opening and marked with a “3 UN” sign sits partially hidden by overgrowth in rural Cyprus. – 1991.
P280(1.5)-2 An abandoned red roof-tiled building sits behind a barbed wire fence, partially covered by a red flowering bush and with a bright blue baby carriage in front. – 1984.
P280(1.6)-2 An abandoned street behind barbed wire is marked with a sign saying “Four Minute Walk” in Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1991.
P280(3)-2 RCHA Bombardier (Bdr.) Camplin (front) and Cpl. Crowhurst (rear) at work in the operations office, Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.
P280(7)-2 LCol. A.M. Potts (OC 1 PPCLI) greets members of the battalion and they disembark from their aircraft. – 1968 Apr. 16. – At the bottom of the stairs is Cpl. W.L. Kemp and two soldiers back is Cpl. T.W. Smith.
P280(10)-2 1 VP (dark uniforms) playing a soccer game on a scruffy field in Cyprus / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – The left-most VP player may be “Kaz” Zuboski.

P280(12)-2  Pte. Luchia (Barry or Robert?), relaxing in a hammock, while reading the April 1968 issue of Playboy magazine. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


P280(14)-2  An unidentified 2 VP soldier relaxes in a hammock while reading the April 5, 1968 issue of Life magazine beside the Snow White observation post. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(15)-2  M/Cpl. Richardson and Pte. W.B. Kellett study a map while stationed at the Beaver Lodge observation post. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


P280(17)-2  Sgt. Labrere (3 RCHA) and Sgt. Best standing outside of the UNFICYP Guard Room in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


P280(20)-2  4 photos from a volleyball game in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – PPCLI team are wearing the dark uniforms.

P280(20.1)-2  Sgt. Gary Pronk (#25) watches as Zeboski sets the ball for Lt. Hasken or Hosken (#31) to spike it. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(20.2)-2  Cpl. MacClean (#21) prepares to spike the ball over the net. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(20.3)-2  Lt. Hasken or Hosken (#31) spikes the ball over the net with Zeboski (#32), Sgt. Gary Pronk (#25), Ed Remin, Cpl. MacClean (#21), and unidentified (#24) watching. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(20.4)-2  After the game the teams shake hands. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – PPCLI players from L-R: Cpl. MacClean, Lt. Hasken or Hosken (#31), Zeboski (#32) and unidentified (#24).

P280(21)-2  2 photos of Cpl. Topam (Topham?) during a parachute course held in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(21.1)-2  Cpl. Topam has his equipment checked before starting the para course. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(21.2)-2  Cpl. Topam practices the fall position in the para course. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


Lt. A.J. Flaman (left) and Pte. P.J. Johnson (right) help with preparing parachutes in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


An unidentified soldier stands on watch outside an observation post with his dog. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

Cpl. R.P. Douglas (centre) and 2 other soldiers stand outside a building decorated for Canada Day in Cyprus. – 1968 Jul. 1.


A large UN helicopter lands at an observation post in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

Cooking breakfast at the Temblos observation post in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


2 photos from the Temblos observation post in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


An unidentified soldier with a sledge hammer smashes rocks beside the Temblos observation post in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

Range practice in Cyprus with a jeep-mounted recoilless rifle. – 1968 Apr.-Oct. – Standing beside the jeep are Pte. Low (L) and M/Cpl. MacDonald (R), while Cpl. McCarthy sits in the back.


P280(41)-2  A jeep drives past a UN observation post while receiving a salute from the soldier on duty. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(42)-2  Cpl. Eric Thomas updates the driving safety board in Cyprus at the main gate of Kyrenia Company, PPCLI. – 1968 Aug.

P280(43)-2  Bombardier (Bdr.) Roger Dubuc and another bombardier of “X” Battery, 3 RCHA (Royal Canadian Horse Artillery) try some Cypriot grapes near the Oneisha farm outpost. – 1968 Jul.

P280(44)-2  Cpl. J.D. Crawshaw driving a tractor used for hauling the heavy equipment from the weekly RCAF flight into Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1968 Aug.

P280(45)-2  Craftsman (Cfn.) Pat Aylward of the RCEME (Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) carries out an inspection of a jeep at Camp Maple Leaf, Cyprus. – 1968 Mar.


P280(47)-2  A 1 PPCLI private on duty with his rifle near a barbwire fence. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


P280(49)-2  RCEME (Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers) workshop at Camp Maple Leaf, Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(50)-2  Bombardier (Bdr.) J.N. (Norm) Levesque of “X” Battery, 3 RCHA, fills the shower apparatus with water at the Mountain Side outpost in Cyprus. – 1968 Jul.

P280(51)-2  Pte. Gardiner (front) and others empty sandbags while tearing down an observation post in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


P280(53)-2  A trio of soldiers pass the time playing Risk in their barracks. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.

P280(54)-2  LGen. F.R. Sharp (left), Canadian Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff, receives a briefing from Cpl. B.W. Brian Fulton, Pacquins Hill OP Commander, while Col. H.C.F. Elliot (centre), Commander Canadian Contingent Cyprus, and LCol. A.M. Potts (right) look on. – 1968 Jun.

P280(55)-2  MGen. J.A. Dextraze (left), Deputy Commander for Operations, Mobile Command HQ, and Col. H.C.F. Elliot, Commander Canadian Contingent Cyprus, during an inspection of the operational element of the Canadian Contingent serving in Cyprus. – 1968 Jun. – Behind the unidentified sergeant is LCol. A.M. Potts pointing out something to the general while Maj. C.W. Hewson (second from right) and another officer look on.

P280(56)-2  Sgt. Bill Bolen and Cpl. Harry Drummond of 1 VP check over the vehicle stores before turning their responsibilities over to the incoming 3 R22eR members. – 1968 Sep.

M/Cpl. Bazz Gosse (centre) and another soldier are inspected by an unidentified officer in Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


MGen. C.B. Ware, Colonel of the Regiment, leads a group of officers down a set of stairs during his tour of Cyprus. – 1968 Aug. 19-26. – Behind MGen. Ware are Lt. R.A. Parker, LCol. A.M. Potts, OC 1 VP, and Maj. C.W. Hewson.


MGen. C.B. Ware talks to members of the 1 PPCLI Reconnaissance Platoon outside of their HQ (Sami-House) while LCol. A.M. Potts looks on. – 1968 Aug. 19-26.


Cpl. Don McKay carrying a fire extinguisher near the Snow White observation post. – 1968 Apr.-Oct.


LCol. W.J. Newlands, OC 1 Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada, boards the RCAF transport taking the 1 RHR back to Canada after being relieved by 1 PPCLI in
Cyprus / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr. – Watching LCol. Newlands depart is Col. H.C.F. Elliot, Commander Canadian Contingent Cyprus.

P280(65)-2 Maj. C.W. Hewson, 1 VP, and a 1 RHR major (possibly Maj. Roger Strawbridge) exchange regimental plaques during the Change of Command in Kyrenia District of Cyprus / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.

P280(66)-2 LCol. A.M. Potts (OC 1 PPCLI) and LCol. W.J. Newlands (OC 1 RHR) exchange regimental plaques during the Change of Command in Cyprus / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.

P280(67)-2 LCol. A.M. Potts (OC 1 PPCLI) and LCol. W.J. Newlands (OC 1 RHR) watch as Col. H.C.F. Elliot, Commander Canadian Contingent Cyprus signs the Change of Command document / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr.

P280(68)-2 LCol. A.M. Potts reads the scripture during Easter Service in the foothills of the Kyrenia mountains to the soldiers of 1 PPCLI and 1 RHR / HQ Canadian Contingent Cyprus. – 1968 Apr. 14. – Officiating the ceremony was the Rev. K.A. Minchin, Anglican Church of Canada, standing on stage with LCol. Potts.

P280(69)-2 A truckload of 1 PPCLI (Reconnaissance Platoon) with their luggage driving through the Kyrenia Pass en route to their HQ (Sami-House). – 1968 Apr. – Seated in the truck facing the camera are (L-R): ?, Cpl. F.P. Anderson, Cpl. C.M. Kemp, Cpl. M.C. Ritchie, Cpl. F.G. Jarbeau, and Cpl. Reid.

P280(70)-2 Lt. D.G. Bird is greeted by LCol. A.M. Potts in Nicosia, Cyprus. – 1968 Apr. 16.

P280(71)-2 LCol. A.M. Potts (OC 1 VP), Cpl. J.W. Flynn (Outpost Commander), and LGen. F.R. Sharp (Canadian Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff), at the Temblos Listening Post, Cyprus. – 1968 Jun.

P280(72)-2 LGen. F.R. Sharp, Canadian Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff, receives a briefing from an unidentified OP Commander, while LCol. A.M. Potts and Col. H.C.F. Elliot look on. – 1968 Jun.

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