

BRITISH MOVIE TONE NEWS

EDITORIAL DOPE SHEET

Cameraman J. DAVIES

Soundman _____

Date 19-6-56~~Ex~~ Length 670'Location CYPRUS

Type of Film _____

Description of cut subject : "FOREST FIRE"

Today, 19-6-56 at 00.30 I arrived at scene of the previous days disaster in which 19 members of Security forces lost their lives and 18 were injured. All concerned were taking part in the operation "Lucky Alphonse"

Some of the dead were taking part in fighting a fire others being relieved from patrol duty track which they normally have been guarding during the operation. The fire ~~xxxx~~ was under control, when a wind whipped it into a raging inferno which trapped the troops who were fighting it also those who were changing patrol duty. The length of time taken to cause this disaster is estimated at three minutes. Vehicles trapped or blocking the road were pushed over side to allow rescue teams to get to the scene. Helicopters also played a big part in rescue work by dropping doctors and medical supplies to stricken area. Today as I toured area from 12 30 until 1 9 o'clock the scene was one of desolation and reminded me of scenes from some bygone age. No life - just miles of fire ravaged country, black and desolate.

SCENES SHOW:-

Roll 1 and 2 The fire raging at night (various shots); Greek Cypriot civilian fire fighters at first light help to get fire under control; 2 three ton army vehicles in which some troops were trapped; Ferret pushed off road to allow rescue teams to pass; fire just passed it by without damage; ambulance, which had gone to rescue, burnt out/ with a burnt out stretcher on road way; various shots of burnt out forest; End of Roll 3. Operation still continues; captured terrorist leaving camp about to lead patrol to hide out of terrorist; winding way

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Description of cut subject : **continued)****along mountain track.****Roll 4:- The cave built inside in the side of the rocky valley;
paratroopers destroy hide out.**

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