

Egypt-- Following the decisions of the United Nations, Israeli troops (with their vehicles, heavy guns, and mortars), continued their withdrawal from the Sinai Desert- at a distance roughly 30 miles from the Canal Zone.

The plans for this operation had been discussed ^{AT THE COAST TOWN OF EL ARISH,} by General Burns, Commander of the United Nations Emergency Force.

~~Israeli troops staying at the coastal town of El Arish~~

Meanwhile, Jugoslav United Nations soldiers took over positions, evacuated by the Israeli forces. ~~and~~ Spreading out on a narrow line, they left a "No-Man's Land" between themselves and the ^{Israelis.} ~~Israelis.~~

Back on the Canal itself, where many wrecks block the waterway, a team of British naval frogmen did an invaluable job, surveying the hulls of submerged wrecks, and passing their information to the salvage experts.

German ships join the Suez operations, (already the biggest salvage fleet ever mustered) ^{TO HELA TOWARDS} ~~a~~ a speedier opening of this vital waterway.

As the Allied withdrawal continues, over 1200 officers and men ~~who~~ embarked in the carrier "Theseus" - en route for Malta. Here, they'll trans-ship for their journey to Britain.

And General Sir Hugh Stockwell, (Commander, Allied Land Forces), came to say a personal "Thankyou", and to wish them "Bon Voyage".

Sailing away from the troubled Middle East, there's the joy of well-~~earned~~ -earned leave ahead-- among the folks at home.