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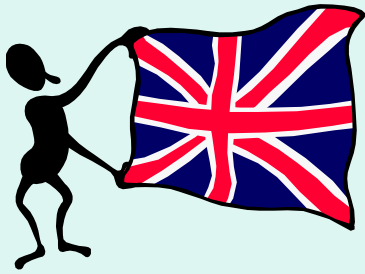
- 3900-2500 B.C.E. Chalcolithic Age. Copper discovered – Kypros in Greek – Copper.
- 2500 – 1050 B.C.E. Bronze Age – trading of copper
- Ruled by Greeks, Phoenicians, Assyrians, Egyptians, Persians, Romans, Byzantines, and even Richard the Lionheart and the Knights Templar



Roots of Religion, Culture

- 1489-1571 C.E. - Venetians - walls surrounding Nicosia and Famagusta - Catholicism.
- 1571-1878 C.E. - Ottomans - 307 years - Islam





Modern History

- The 1878 Cyprus Convention Britain administration
- Turkey allied with Germany in WWI
- Britain annexed the island in 1914.
- Treaty of Lausanne in 1923, Turkey had to give up all rights to Cyprus.
- 1925 colony of Great Britain.

Trouble Brews

- 1930 Enosis - union with Greece.
- Greek Cypriots remnants of the first Greek colonizers of Cyprus. Greek, Orthodox Christian majority
- Turkish Cypriots descendants of Turks/Ottomans. Turkish language, Islam 20% of the population.
- 1955-1959 Enosis versus ethnic division
- 1960 Republic of Cyprus - disagreement on Constitution



Situation Worsens



- 1960 - 1973, separation
- Turkish Cypriot enclaves and attacks
- 1964 United Nations peace keepers fail



Summer 1974

- Coup to overthrow the leader of Cyprus.
- Replaced the leaders with those that were for Enosis.
- Turkey uses 1959 Treaty of Guarantee to invade Cyprus.
- UN - 40,000 troops on the north coast.
- Thousands injured, killed, or missing
- Thousands displaced



Today

- Green Line divides the island into northern and southern Cyprus.
- Republic of Cyprus 66% of the island Greek, South
- Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC), North
- UN buffer zone
- Pyla - mixed village where Turkish and Greek Cypriots live together
- 2003 - Opened border
- 2004 the referendum for unification was defeated
- Republic of Cyprus - European Union, while the TRNC remains unrecognized by the United Nations.



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