

SUBJECT: RETIREMENT CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER ALAIN GUIMOND, MMM, CD

1. CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER ALAIN GUIMOND WILL RETIRE ON 4 SEPTEMBER 2020, THE FIRST DAY OF HIS 38 TH YEAR OF LOYAL AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO CANADA AND THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES.

2. CWO ALAIN GUIMOND JOINED THE CANADIAN FORCES IN SEPTEMBER 1983 IN RIMOUSKI, QUÉBEC. THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, CWO GUIMOND SERVED AT ALL RANKS LEVEL FROM SAPPER TO CWO IN COMBAT ENGINEER REGIMENTS. HE ALSO SERVED AT CANADIAN FORCES SCHOOL OF MILITARY ENGINEERING (CFSME) CHILLIWACK, BC AND CANADIAN FORCES LEADERSHIP AND RECRUIT SCHOOL AS AN INSTRUCTOR. AS COMBAT ENGINEER, HE ACQUIRED THE SPECIALIST QUALIFICATIONS OF COMBAT DIVER AND BASIC PARACHUTIST. IN 2008, CWO GUIMOND WAS SELECTED AS THE ARMY REPRESENTATIVE ON THE YEAR-LONG KNOWLEDGE ACQUISITION PROGRAM AT RMC KINGSTON, ON. CWO GUIMOND IS A GRADUATE OF THE OFFICER PROFESSIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION PROGRAM (OPME) AND WAS APPOINTED TO THE ORDER OF MILITARY MERIT IN 2008.

3. CWO GUIMOND DEPLOYED TO BOSNIA WITH THE 2 RCR BATTLE GROUP FROM OCTOBER 1992 TO MAY 1993. IN NOVEMBER 1993, HE RE-DEPLOYED TO BOSNIA WITH 12 RBC BATTLE GROUP, AS A SECTION COMMANDER, SPENDING THE MAJORITY OF HIS TOUR IN SREBRENICA. PROMOTED TO WARRANT OFFICER IN JULY 1996, HE RETURNED AGAIN TO BOSNIA AS THE SQUADRON OPS WARRANT OFFICER. IN MARCH 2002, HE DEPLOYED FOR A FOURTH TIME TO BOSNIA AS A SQUADRON SERGEANT-MAJOR WITH 2 R22R BATTLE GROUP. IN 2009, WHILE SERVING WITH LFDTS HQ IN KINGSTON, HE DEPLOYED TO KANDAHAR AFGHANISTAN AS THE ENGINEER SERGEANT-MAJOR AS WELL AS THE RSM FOR CANADIAN PERSONNEL HQ REGIONAL COMMAND (SOUTH). IN 2006, CWO GUIMOND WAS APPOINTED AS THE 20TH REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR OF 5E RÉGIMENT DU GÉNIE DE COMBAT VALCARTIER. IN JULY 2010, HE BECAME THE 2 AREA SUPPORT GROUP FORMATION SERGEANT-MAJOR IN PETAWAWA. IN JUNE 2012, HE WAS APPOINTED LFCA/JTFC (4 CDN DIVISION) SERGEANT MAJOR IN TORONTO. IN JUNE 2015, CWO GUIMOND STARTED HIS JOURNEY AS THE 18TH CANADIAN ARMY SERGEANT-MAJOR. CWO ALAIN GUIMOND IS VERY HONOURED AND PROUD TO HAVE BEEN SELECTED AS THE CAF CWO.

4. HE PLANS ON TAKING A PAUSE AFTER HIS LAST YEAR IN UNIFORM AND WILL RELOCATE TO QUEBEC CITY.

5. A FORMAL DWD CEREMONY WILL BE HELD AT A LATER DATE WHEN THE SITUATION PERMITS. ANECDOTES, CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES AND PICTURES CAN BE SENT TO CPO2 M. ROY AT CFCWODWD.ADJUCFCDDD@forces.gc.ca