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## RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT



**Maj Dave Michaud, CD**

After 21 plus years of distinguished service in the Canadian armed forces (CAF), Maj Dave Michaud will retire on August 20th, 2018.

Maj Michaud joined the Canadian Armed Forces in June 1997 in Chicoutimi QC and graduated with a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from the Royal Military College (RMC) in Kingston ON in 2002. After completing his training as an officer in the Armour Corps, he was posted to 12e Régiment Blindé du Canada to be employed as a Leopard 1 C2 tank and Coyote reconnaissance troop commander. In 2004, as a lieutenant, he served at the headquarters of 5 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group as the commander's aide-de-camp. Promoted to Captain in 2005, he was posted to the Armour School, Combat Training Centre Gagetown NB, where he filled the role of instructor and then squadron deputy commander. In 2006, he was transferred to the Applied Military Science Department at RMC Kingston ON in order to complete the yearlong technical staff program, after which he was posted to the Directorate of Land Requirement to act as deputy project director for the TLAV fleet until 2009. Working hand-in-hand with members of the Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Corps during that period, he decided to reorient his career, some will say for the best, and submitted a voluntary occupational transfer to join the Corps. Officially rebadged and qualified at the end of 2009, he was posted to the Director General – Land Equipment Program Management where he served until 2012. During his



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assignment, he was employed as deputy equipment management team leader for field artillery systems and then as divisional adjutant. Subsequently, he completed his maintenance officer's tour with 5e Régiment d'artillerie légère du Canada in Valcartier QC. Upon promotion to Major in 2013, he became the senior logistic operations officer at 5 Service Battalion. For the last three and a half years, Maj Michaud has been employed as the operations officer at the Munitions Experimental Test Center (METC).

At the operational level, he completed his first mission abroad in 2004 in Afghanistan (OP ATHENA) as a reconnaissance troop leader. In 2014, he had the opportunity to deploy to Haïti as part of a United Nations mission – OP MINUSTA to serve as ops and plans officer.

Dave will make a career transition into the public service and join the engineering cell at METC Valcartier QC. He will enjoy his new life and stability with his wife and two wonderful little girls, Maeva and Lyvia.

His departure with dignity will take place on 20 August 2018 and he wishes to celebrate with his current section. Please send well wishes and anecdotes to Mr. Luc St-Pierre at [Luc.St-Pierre@forces.gc.ca](mailto:Luc.St-Pierre@forces.gc.ca).



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