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RETIREMENT MESSAGE



Major J. Im

Major John Im will retire from the CAF on 12 April 2019 after 15 years of service in the RCEME Corps.

John Im was born and raised in Toronto, Ontario. He enrolled in the CAF on 19 June 2004 and proceeded to RMC Kingston completing a degree in Mechanical Engineering. On graduation from RMC in 2008, 2Lt Im spent time at LFCA TC Meaford as a platoon commander for several reserve and regular force SQ (BMQ-L) serials. Later completing RCEME Officer Phase IV training, he was posted to CFB Wainwright where he spent 2 years as the Ancillary Platoon commander for Wainwright Base Maintenance.

In 2010, Lt Im was posted to the RCEME School to develop the RCEME Officer DP 1.2 course. During his time at the school, Capt Im was involved with various Phase III & IV Officer courses as field assessor and instructor. Capt Im completed the development of RCEME Officer DP 1.2 and managed the DP 1.2/1.1 courses as A/CSO and CSO respectively.

Capt Im completed his platoon level command as Maintenance Officer from 2013-2015 at CFB Borden Base Maintenance where he managed a workshop of 100 soldiers and civilians. He was also 2IC of Maintenance and Logistics Support Company of the base assisting with the management of approximately 250 personnel.

In 2015 he moved to DGLEPM in Ottawa, where he managed the Turret & Survivability Systems for the WLAV Fleet (LAV II – Coyote and Bison, LAV III, LAV 6.0) while completing his masters' degree in Business Administration.



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Capt Im was appointed as Project Manager for the Adjustable Tow Bar project which was initiated to procure new tow bars capable of towing the increased weight of the LAV 6.0. The contract was signed successfully on 9 Dec 2016 and Capt Im's team was subsequently awarded the Assistant Deputy Minister (Materiel) Merit Award for their successes.

Maj Im moved on as Deputy Equipment Management Team Leader for the Leopard Family of Vehicles in 2017 assisting with the fleet management of the Main Battle Tank and supporting armoured vehicles.

He was then posted to Toronto in 2018 as the 4 Cdn Div G4 Systems. The posting to Toronto marked the highlight of Maj Im's career where he was selected to attend the Taylor Swift Reputation Stadium Tour in Toronto, Ontario, with 7 of his friends. What a way to finish a career – thank you Taylor Swift!

John will be retiring from the regular force and moving on to a senior management role at Metrolinx in Toronto.

John's DWD will be held in the Officer's Mess at the LCol George Taylor Denison III Armoury, 1 Yukon Lane, Toronto at 1300 on 10 April 2019. Messages and RSVP can be sent to taein.kim@forces.gc.ca and joseph.roberge@forces.gc.ca.



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