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Cpl John Gianni Segreti
Weapons Technician

On June 15 2018, Cpl John Segreti will retire from the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) after 24.3 years of loyal and dedicated service, 16 of them with the Corps of Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (RCEME).

Born in Montreal, he joined the CAF Army Reserve on February 8th 1994 with the Royal Canadian Hussars (Montreal). He first started as an Armoured Crewmen until 2002 and then went to Borden to complete his qualification level QL3R Wpns Tech in May 2002. Upon completion of his course, he was hired as a Class B working at the 51st Svc Bn Maint Coy in St- Hubert where he completed his QL4 OJT.

In May 2003 he returned to Borden to complete his QL5R Wpns Tech, and back to the 51st Svc Bn in St Hubert where he worked on various types of equipment while participating in different tasks, notably in Exercise Nobel Warrior in beautiful Sunny Camp Blanding Joint Training Center Florida in March 2004, where he trained with the U.S Marines joint training Detachment.

In April 2004, he decided to join the Regular Force still as Wpns Tech. He found himself once again in Borden to complete the Reg force QL3 and, once his course was completed, he was promoted back to Cpl and was posted to 5 GS Bn Valcartier in August 04 working at maintenance platoon until the reorg that saw the GS Bn being integrated with 5 Svc Bn. During his posting, he was tasked to different units including combat school, 1R22R and 2R22R and while completing his QL4.

In Jan 2006, he was posted to 12 RBC Maint Sqn and worked on ATI's and VMO's for Coyote's and LAV 3 AFV. In Oct 2006, he was once again back to Borden to complete his



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Weapons tech QL5. He then realized there is not much sun in Borden from December through February. Once his course completed he returned to 12 RBC Maint to complete his mission there.

In July 2007, he was posted to 5 GSS Maint (St Hubert) where he spent the first 6 months on the Reserve side of the Base (affectionately called The Dark Side by the Reg Force Guys). He had different tasks including ATIs to all the Reserve units in and around the Montreal region but not excluding Rouyn-Noranda, which is nowhere close to Montreal.

In Jan 2010, he was deployed on a mission with the NSE to Haiti (OP HESTIA) after the 2010 Earthquake, where he took part in humanitarian functions with various international military organization, including American 82nd Airborne U.N. Peacekeepers and Italian Combat Eng.

Upon his return to Canada at the end of March 2010, he was loaded onto PLQ in French where he quickly realised that it is not as easy as he thought working in his second language.

In July 2011 he was posted to 202 Workshop Depot where he was put to work on different types of weapon systems including BDR equipment returning from Afghanistan and 25mm M262c1 SNAP project.

John and his wife Carmela and their two boys Marco and Luca will remain in the Montreal Region where he will continue to volunteer with the Royal Canadian Legion, St Anne's Veterans Hospital and Montreal English School Board. John would like to thank all his colleagues and friends he has made during his 24 yrs in the Army.

There will be a DWD on June 14 2018 at La Cage au Sport Place Versailles, Please confirm your presence before EOP June 8 2018 to Eric.Pomerleau@forces.gc.ca

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