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After more than 30 years and 5 months of service in the RCEME and CAF, MWO Denis J. Nadeau will be retiring on 31 October 2018.

He was born in Saint-Georges (Beauce), but raised in Valcourt in the Estrie region. He enrolled in the CAF on 12 May 1988 in the city of Sherbrooke, Quebec. He completed his basic training at the recruit school as a QL3 Vehicle Technician and finished language training at Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu.

Now more proficient in his second language, he was transferred to CFB Ottawa (Uplands) from October 1989 to July 1994. While on this posting, he completed his QL5 training in October 1991 and was promoted to Cpl in December 1991. With a desire to travel, he was sent on a UN mission to Golan Heights from June to December 1993, where he met his spouse.

Posted to 5 Svc Bn Valcartier in July 1994, within months he was attached posted to 3 R22eR Valcartier for his second UN mission from April to November 1995 to the village of Visoko in the former Yugoslavia. During his time at 5 Svc Bn, he was employed in a number of sections.

He was promoted to MCpl on 1 July 2000 and transferred to 12 RBC. He was employed in the HQ & Svcs Sqn, A Sqn and B Sqn.



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He was promoted to the rank of Sgt in June 2005 and transferred to 5 RALC as Production Sgt. During his time at 5 RALC, he was drawn to the vast expanses of the Canadian north and left for a six-month stint at CFS Alert.

Promoted to the rank of WO, he was transferred to DGMPD Ottawa on 14 July 2008 with the PMO LWTH M777. He was then transferred to DLEPS Ops, where he would remain for two and a half years. In September 2011, he moved on to DASPM 2 T-LAV, where he conducted equipment tests and destroyed old M113s.

Promoted to his current rank in May 2012, he was transferred to the CJOC in July of 2013 as a technical advisor; he supported missions and worked with the DGLEPM. He was also heavily involved in a number of files concerning the procurement and use of commercial armoured vehicles, which saw him travel to the United States, Germany, Jordan and Iraq.

MWO Nadeau is married to Ginette St-Jean. They have two children, Marie-Ève and Alexandre. He has accepted a position in the public service with DSVPM. He would like to thank everyone he has worked with over the years and who have had an influence on his life, particularly those who trusted and mentored him.

A Depart with Dignity (DWD) lunch will take place on 27 July at 1130 hrs at Tucker's Marketplace (Byward Market).

Please email your messages, anecdotes and especially your RSVPs for the DWD lunch NLT 24 July 2018 to MWO Jean-Pierre Boudreau.

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