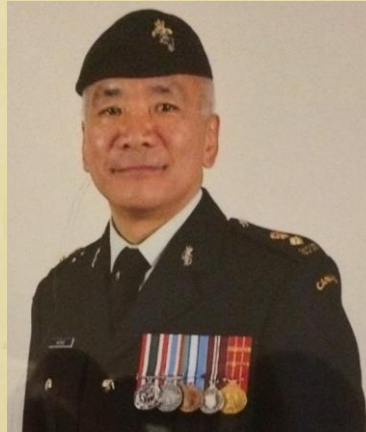


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Lieutenant-Colonel Ray Wong will be retiring on 23 August 2018 after almost 36 years of service.

LCol Wong was born and raised in Vancouver, B.C. Following graduation with a Mechanical Engineering Degree from U.B.C., he enrolled in 1982 as an Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Officer. After training at CFB Borden his first posting was in 1984 to 1 Service Battalion Calgary, serving as Vehicle Platoon Command and then as Unit Maintenance Officer.

In 1986 he assumed duties in Winnipeg as Maintenance Officer 3rd Battalion The Royal Canadian Regiment, which included a deployment to Cyprus. In 1988 he was posted to Director General Land Eqpt Program Management as an Eqpt Support Staff Officer, during which time he attended the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff Course. From 1990 to 1992 he served in 1 Canadian Division Forward HQ (Lahr, Germany) as G4 Maintenance 2.

Upon return to Canada he became Operations Officer, 2 Service Battalion Petawawa. In 1994 he assumed duties as Base Maintenance Officer at CFB Suffield, and upon promotion to Major became the G1/Base Administration Officer. In 1996 he returned to Winnipeg to take over as the G4 of then Manitoba-Lakehead District, and following amalgamation with Saskatchewan District, continued as G4 in the newly formed 38 Canadian Brigade Group. LCol Wong was selected to attend The Royal Military College of Science at Shrivenham, United Kingdom in 1999-2000, graduating with a Masters of Science Degree in Defence Technology. He then joined the Army Staff, taking on successive staff portfolios in Land Requirement, Land Strategic Plans and Land Force Development.

In 2006 Lieutenant-Colonel Wong took over as Officer Commanding Vehicle Company at the Canadian Forces School of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering at CFB Borden. He returned to Ottawa in 2009 to serve as the Chemical, Biological,



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Upon promotion to his current rank in 2010, he became Equipment Management Team Leader for Wheeled Light Armoured Vehicles, supporting the LAV III, Coyote and Bison fleets. He completed the Joint Command and Staff Program in 2010, and in 2011 he was assigned to 4 Canadian Division/Joint Task Force Central, firstly as the J1 and then as Headquarters Commanding Officer. In 2014 he proceeded to National Defence Headquarters on what was to become his last posting, as Director Capability and Structure Analysis Support.

LCol Wong is thankful to have had a healthy and rewarding career and for the great opportunity to have served alongside some incredible people over the years. He will continue to serve Canada in a civilian capacity within Assistant Deputy Minister (Science and Technology). He also thanks his two great children, Trevor and Victoria, for all their support throughout Dad's postings and time away from home. And as long as his body holds up, LCol Wong will continue to feed his passion for distance running, snowboarding and hockey.

LCol Wong will have his Departure With Dignity ceremony on 14 September 2018 at the Ottawa Army Officers Mess, details TBA. Anecdotes and well-wishes may be sent to Maj Rob Barwell (Robert.Barwell@forces.gc.ca), who will be coordinating LCol Wong's DWD.



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