
June 2018: General Sir Mark A.P. Carleton-Smith (late Irish Guards): Chief of the General Staff, June 2018 (2/1964; 57)


April 2020: General Timothy B. Radford (late Rifles): Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, April 2020 (2/1963; 58)
LIEUTENANT-GENERALS: MARCH 2021


June 2018: Lieutenant-General Sir Tyrone R. Urch (late Royal Engineers): Commander, Home Command, June 2018-June 2021; to retire, October 2021 (6/1965; 55)

Lieutenant-General Douglas M. Chalmers (late Princess of Wales’ Royal Regiment): Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (Military Strategy and Operations), June 2018-April 2021; to retire, February 2022 (2/1966; 55)


Lieutenant-General Sir James R. Hockenhull (late Intelligence Corps): Chief of Defence Intelligence, December 2018 (7/1964; 56)

March 2019: Lieutenant-General Ivan B. L. Jones (late Royal Engineers): Commander, Field Army, March 2019-April 2021 (9/1966; 54)


August 2019: Lieutenant-General Christopher L. Tickell (late Royal Engineers): Deputy Chief of the General Staff, August 2019 (3/1964; 57)

September 2019: Lieutenant-General Richard Wardlaw (late Royal Engineers): Chief of Defence Logistics and Support, Strategic Command, October 2019 (9/1967; 53)
October 2019:   Lieutenant-General Giles P. Hill (late Parachute Regiment): to retire, November 2021  
(1/1967; 54)

February 2020:   Lieutenant-General James F.P. Swift (late Royal Welsh): Chief of Defence People, February 2020  
(10/1967; 53)

(4/1964; 56)

(to be promoted):

April 2021:    Lieutenant-General Ralph W. Wooddisse (late Royal Anglian Regiment): Commander, Field Army, April 2021  
(1/1970; 51)

   Lieutenant-General C. Roland V. Walker (late Grenadier Guards): Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (Military Strategy and Operations), April 2021  
(5/1970; 51)

June 2021:    Lieutenant-General Ian J. Cave (late Mercian Regiment): Commander, Home Command, June 2021  
(5/1966; 54)

December 2021:    Lieutenant-General Nicholas R.M. Borton (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Commander, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, December 2021  
(1969; 52)
MAJOR-GENERALS: MARCH 2021

June 2015: Major-General William J.F. Bramble (late RA): Deputy Commander, NATO Rapid Deployable Corps, Italy, July 2019 (10/1966; 54)

Major-General Richard J.A. Stanford (late Welsh Gds): to retire, August 2021 (8/1966; 54)

July 2015: Major-General Ian J. Cave (late Mercian Reg.): to be promoted to Lieutenant-General, June 2021 (5/1966; 54)


October 2016: Major-General Timothy D. Hyams (late Ry. Dragoon Gds): Military Secretary and General Officer, Scotland, October 2019 (8/1966; 54)

December 2016: Major-General Nicholas R.M. Borton (late Ry. Reg. of Scotland): Chief of Staff (Operations), Permanent Joint HQ, February 2019-2021; to be promoted to Lieutenant-General, December 2021 (1969; 51)

February 2017: Major-General James T.E. Illingworth (late Army Air Corps): Director, Land Warfare, October 2019 (1966; 54)


Major-General Ralph W. Wooddisse (late Royal Anglian Reg.): to be promoted to Lieutenant-General, April 2021 (1/1970; 51)

June 2017: Major-General Duncan F. Capps (late Royal Logistic Corps): Commandant, Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, March 2020 (12/1966; 53)


March 2018: Major-General C. Roland V. Walker (late Grenadier Gds.): to be promoted to Lieutenant-General, April 2021 (5/1970; 51)


November 2018: Major-General Neil D. Sexton (late Army Air Corps): Director, Engagement and Communication (Army), November 2018 (1967; 53)

Major-General Colin J. R. Weir (late Royal Irish Regiment): Chief of Staff, Field Army, November 2020 (3/1971; 50)


March 2019: Major-General Sharon P.M. Nesmith (late Royal Signals): GOC, Army Recruiting and Initial Training Command, January 2021

April 2019: Major-General Simon P. Hamilton (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Director of Support, Army, April 2019

Major-General Simon L. Humphrey (late Royal Artillery): to retire, 2021 (10/1966; 54)


Major-General Andrew S.D. Harrison (late Parachute Regiment): Senior British Military Advisor, U.S. Central Command, September 2020
Major-General Andrew M. Roe (late Yorkshire Regiment): Commandant, Joint Services Command and Staff College, May 2019


August 2019: Major-General John R. Mead (late Royal Artillery): Chief of Staff, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, August 2019

September 2019: Major-General David W. Southall (late Royal Engineers): Director of Army Basing and Infrastructure, September 2019

Major-General Richard J.B. Spencer (late Royal Signals): Director of Delivery: Intelligence and Expeditionary Services, Information Systems and Services/Defence Digital, September 2019

Major-General Robert J. Thomson (Late Rifles): Commander, British Forces, Cyprus, September 2019

December 2019: Major-General Darren H. Crook (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Director, Land Equipment, Defence Equipment and Support, December 2019

February 2020: Major-General David J. Eastman (late Royal Logistics Corps): GOC, Regional Command, February 2020

Major-General Michael R. Elviss late Royal Artillery): GOC, 3rd Division, February 2020


April 2020: Major-General Darrell P. Amison (late Royal Logistic Corps): Director, Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre, July 2020

Major-General Robert J. Walton-Knight (late Royal Engineers): Director, Strategy and Planning, Defence Infrastructure Organization, July 2020

July 2020: Major-General Kevin M. Copsey (late Royal Engineers): Deputy Commanding General, Strategy, Combined Joint Task Force, Iraq, August 2020

((6/1971; 49)

Major-General Charles S. Collins (late Rifles): GOC, 1st Division, September 2020

January 2021: Major-General Benedict D.A. Kite (late Intelligence Corps): Director, Intelligence Interoperability, January 2021 (1970; 50)

Major-General Paul R. Griffiths (late Royal Signals): Director, Personnel (Army), January 2021

March 2021: Major-General Nicholas C.L. Perry (late King’s Royal Hussars): Assistant Chief of the General Staff, March 2021
BRIGADIER APPOINTMENTS: as at MARCH 2021

2012: Brigadier Edward J.R. Chamberlain (late Rifles): Head, Army Personnel Services, February 2021

2013: Brigadier Martin P. Moore (late Royal Logistic Corps): Director, Support Strategic Capability and Strategy, M.O.D., January 2019

2014: Brigadier Gregor W. Wilson (late Royal Signals): Assistant Chief of Staff, Transformation, Field Army, October 2019

2015: Brigadier James S.A. Carr-Smith (late Royal Dragoon Guards): Commander, Sandhurst Group, Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, September 2019

Brigadier Graham W. Fletcher (late Royal Signals): Chief Operating Officer, Defence Digital, July 2018

Brigadier Douglas C.R. Gibson (late Royal Engineers): Defence Adviser, Canada, August 2020

Brigadier Frederick E. Hargreaves (late Royal Signals): Deputy Director, Strategy, Engagement, Transformation and Force Development, Strategic Command, September 2020

Brigadier Ian S. Mortimer (late Queen’s Royal Hussars): Assistant Commandant (Land), Joint Services Command and Staff College, July 2019

Brigadier William S.C. Wright (late Rifles): Brigadier, Army Staff, August 2019

Brigadier Suzanne Anderson (late Adjutant-General’s Corps): Deputy Military Secretary, October 2018-September 2021

Brigadier Peter E.J. Drew (late Royal Signals): Head, Deployed Platform Services, Information Systems and Services/Defence Digital, January 2019

Brigadier Frazer M. Lawrence (late Duke of Lancaster’s Regiment): Head of Training Capability (Army), April 2020

Brigadier Angus G.C. Fair (late Light Dragoons): Commander, Specialised Infantry Group, August 2019

Brigadier Philip W.C. Kimber (late Mercian Regiment): Director, Army Division, Joint Services Command and Staff College, August 2018-August 2021

Brigadier Alexander T.L. Potts (late King’s Royal Hussars): Chief of Staff, Regional Command, October 2018-2021; Head, Arms and Services, Home Command, May 2021

Brigadier Paul P. Tennant (late Army Air Corps): Military Attache, U.S.A., August 2019

Brigadier R. Huw Lloyd-Jones (late Royal Welsh Regiment): Commander, British Military Mission, Kuwait, December 2020

Brigadier Matthew T.G. Bazeley (late Royal Engineers): Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. European Command, September 2019-August 2021

2017: Brigadier Barry W. Bennett (late Royal Artillery): to retire


Brigadier Robaird J. Boyd (late Duke of Lancaster’s Regiment): Principal Staff Officer to the Chairman, NATO Military Committee, April 2018

Brigadier Charles S. Calder (late Royal Regiment of Fusiliers): Commander, British Military Mission to the Saudi Arabian National Guard, March 2020

Brigadier Richard J. Carter (late Royal Signals): Assistant Chief of Staff (Plans and Customer Services), Defence Digital Operations, Strategic Command, September 2019

Brigadier E. David Colthup (late Yorkshire Regiment): Director of Operations, Army Recruiting and Initial Training Command, August 2018

Brigadier Gerald Ewart-Brookes (late Royal Logistic Corps): Head of Logistics (Army), August 2020
Brigadier Michael R. Keating (late Army Air Corps): Chief of the Defence Staff’s Liaison Officer to the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, October 2019

Brigadier Nicholas S. Pond (late Royal Artillery): Senior Military Advisor, U.N. Assistance Mission, Afghanistan, April 2022

Brigadier James C. Roddis (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Commander, Main Army Building, 2019

Brigadier Sara L. Sharkey (late Royal Signals): Head, Application Services and Development Operations, Defence Digital, April 2017

Brigadier Zachary R. Stenning (late Yorkshire Regiment): Head, Military Strategy and Priorities, M.O.D., May 2019

Brigadier Mark J. Thornhill (late Royal Artillery): to retire

Brigadier Neil B. Thorpe (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Head of Capability, Combat Service Support, January 2020

Brigadier Andrew J.P. Barr (late Royal Engineers): to retire, June 2021


Brigadier James C. Coote (late Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment): Deputy Director, Strategy, Plans, Policy and Assessments, U.S. Central Command, August 2019-2021; Chief of Staff, Regional Command, 2021

Brigadier Jasper J. De Quincey-Adams (late 1st Queen’s Dragoon Guards): Commander, 7th Infantry Brigade and HQ, East, June 2020

Brigadier Anna C. Luedicke (late Royal Logistic Corps): Head of Commissioning and Management Organisation, Logistics Delivery Operating Centre, Defence Equipment and Support, June 2020

2018: Brigadier Nigel C. Allison (late Royal Logistic Corps): Head, Defence Support Chain Operations and Movements, Defence Equipment and Support, October 2018

Brigadier Jonathan G.E. Bartholomew (late Royal Scots Dragoon Guards): Head of Overseas and Training Region, Defence Infrastructure Organisation, May 2020
Brigadier Thomas J. Bateman (late Royal Dragoon Guards): Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations, Permanent Joint HQ, November 2020

Brigadier Thomas H. Bewick (late Rifles)

Brigadier Dominic S.J. Biddick (late Royal Anglian Regiment): Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations, Field Army, July 2020

Brigadier John H. Bowron (late Rifles): Army Operational Transformation Adviser, Ministry of Defence, North Macedonia, July 2020

Brigadier Richard C. Brown (late Royal Engineers): Head of Infrastructure (Army), July 2020

Brigadier Julian N.E. Buczacki (late Royal Lancers): Head, Military Strategic Effects and Deputy Director, National Security, M.O.D., March 2021

Brigadier Philip J. Clark (late Intelligence Corps): Military Head, Regional and Thematics Assessment, Middle East and Africa, Defence Intelligence, July 2020

Brigadier Richard M. Clements (late Royal Artillery): Chief of Staff, Home Command October 2019

Brigadier Adam W.A. Griffiths (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Assistant Chief of Staff, Training and Development, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, August 2019

Brigadier Mark P. Kenyon (late Duke of Lancaster’s Regiment): Head of Integration and Training, Joint Warfare, Joint Force/Strategic Command, June 2018

Brigadier Oliver J. Kingsbury (late Parachute Regiment): Head of Warfare Development, Land Warfare Centre, August 2019

Brigadier Robin R.E. Lindsay (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Commander, 51st Infantry Brigade and HQ Scotland, May 2018-May 2021; Director, Army Division, Joint Services Command and Staff College, August 2021

Brigadier Eldon N.S. Millar (late Royal Engineers): Head, Army Engagement and Communications, October 2019

Brigadier Mark C. Proctor (late Intelligence Corps): Visiting Fellow, Royal United Services Institute, July 2020-April 2021

Brigadier Mark Pullan (late Royal Artillery): Head, Innovation and Experimentation, Army, July 2020

Brigadier Adrian P. Reilly (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Deputy Director (Military), International Security, Military Strategy and Operations, M.O.D., February 2021

Brigadier Simon P. Stockley (late Royal Engineers): Head, Efficiency, Resources Directorate (Army), May 2020

Brigadier Niall M. Stokoe (late Royal Signals): Assistant Chief of Staff, Communications, Permanent Joint HQ, December 2020

Brigadier Andrew J.W. Stuart (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Head of BOWMAN and Tactical Communication and Information Systems, Defence Digital, October 2020

Brigadier Andrew J.W. Sturrock (late Royal Engineers): Head of Infrastructure, Strategic Command, July 2020

Brigadier Jonathan Swift (late Royal Regiment of Fusiliers): Head of Capability, Ground Manoeuvre, October 2019

Brigadier Jonathan R.H. Timmis (late Royal Logistic Corps): Chief Mentor, Afghan National Army Officer Academy, May 2020-May 2021

Brigadier Benjamin M.A. Wrench (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Commander, 51st Infantry Brigade and HQ Scotland, May 2021

Brigadier Michael R. Butterwick (late Royal Regiment of Fusiliers): Commander, Initial Training Group, September 2018-September 2021

Brigadier Andrew M. Fallows (late Royal Signals): Head of Capability, Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, Strategic Command, September 2018

Brigadier John R.G. Stephenson (late Parachute Regiment)

Brigadier Timothy F. Law (late Royal Artillery): Defence Attache, China, December 2018-May 2021
Brigadier Gavin J. Thompson (late Royal Tank Regiment): Defence Adviser, India, December 2018

Brigadier Leigh Tingey (late Royal Engineers): Chief of Staff, Standing Joint Command, September 2020-2021; Director, Plans, Policy, Strategy and Capabilities, U.S. European Command, August 2021

Brigadier Alastair B. Veitch (late Royal Engineers): Deputy Commanding General, 1st French Division, October 2018-September 2021; Defence Attache Training, 2021-2022

2019:  Brigadier Christopher B.K. Barry (late Royal Welsh): Commander, Collective Training Group, September 2018-August 2021

Brigadier Oliver C.C. Brown (late Royal Anglian Regiment): Commander, 4th Infantry Brigade and HQ North-East, April 2019-July 2021

Brigadier Joseph Butterfill (late Royal Regiment of Fusiliers): Commander, 12th Armoured Infantry Brigade, August 2019-August 2021

Brigadier Joseph E.A. Chestnutt (late Royal Logistic Corps): Commander, 104 Logistic Support Brigade, September 2019-September 2021

Brigadier John L. Clark (late Royal Engineers): Head, Strategy (Army), February 2021

Brigadier David S. Clouston (late Royal Logistic Corps): Student, Royal College of Defence Studies, September 2020


Brigadier Edward J.M. Dawes (late Royal Artillery)

Brigadier Joseph E. Fossey (late Royal Engineers): Commander, 8 Engineer Brigade, August 2019-August 2021; Head, Capability Strategy, Financial Military Capability, M.O.D., November 2021

Brigadier G. Alexander J. Macintosh (late Welsh Guards): Project Officer, Defence Engagement Strategy, 2019

Brigadier James R. Martin (late Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment): Commander, 16th Air Assault Brigade, July 2020
Brigadier Philip D. Prosser (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers); Commander, 101 Logistic Brigade, August 2019-August 2021

Brigadier Mark R. Purves (late Royal Signals): Programme Director, Saudi Arabian National Guard Communications, January 2019

Brigadier Daniel Reeve (late Rifles): Cabinet Office Placement, 2020-August 2021; Chief, Joint Force Operations, August 2021

Brigadier Anna-Lee Reilly (late Royal Logistic Corps): Head, Vehicle Support Delivery Team, Land Equipment, Defence Equipment and Support, April 2019

Brigadier Peter J. Rowell (late Royal Engineers): Commandant, Royal School of Military Engineering, September 2019

Brigadier Nicholas T. Sawyer (late Royal Artillery): Defence Attache Training, 2020-December 2021

Brigadier Khashayar D. Sharifi (late Queen’s Royal Lancers): Head of Concepts, Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre, January 2019

Brigadier T. Marcus L. Simson (late Royal Tank Regiment): Defence Advisor, Australia, January 2019

Brigadier Alexander J. Smith (late Royal Signals); Commander, 11th Signal Brigade and HQ West Midlands, August 2019-February 2022

Brigadier D. Mark Wheeler (late Royal Welsh): Army Inspector, December 2020

Brigadier Andrew M. Wright (late Parachute Regiment): Deputy Commander, London District, October 2018

Brigadier Lisa C. Keetley (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Deputy Chief of Staff, Support, NATO Rapid Deployment Corps, Spain, August 2019

Brigadier Adam D. McRae (late Royal Logistic Corps): Defence Attache, Iraq, December 2019-December 2021

Brigadier Michael B. Murdoch (late Royal Irish Regiment): Defence Attache, South Korea, September 2019

Brigadier Nathan M. Sempala-Ntege (late Royal Artillery): Head, Personnel Strategy (Army), January 2021
2020: Brigadier Duncan P. Bedding (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Commander, Standing Joint Logistic Support Group, SHAPE, July 2018

Brigadier Nigel J. Best (late Royal Lancers)

Brigadier Matthew W.L. Botsford (late 1st Queen’s Dragoon Guards): Chief of Staff to Chief of Materiel (Land), Land Domain and Army Customer Team, Defence Equipment and Support, July 2020

Brigadier Michael E.G. Caldicott (late Royal Logistic Corps): Commandant, Defence College of Logistics, Policing and Administration, November 2019


Brigadier Benjamin J. Cattermole (late Royal Scots Dragoon Guards): Commander, 11th Infantry Brigade and HQ South East, June 2020

Brigadier James P. Cook (late Royal Artillery): Programme Director, CASTLE, Personnel Directorate, June 2020

Brigadier Nicholas J. Cowey (late Royal Tank Regiment): Head of Equipment (Army), October 2020

Brigadier Alison L. Curnow (late Royal Logistic Corps): Deputy Chief of Staff, Combat Service Support, Rapid Reaction Corps, France, January 2020

Brigadier Lee J.N. Daley (late Royal Logistic Corps): Head, Supply Chain Transformation Expansion, Logistics Delivery Operating Centre, Defence Equipment and Support, October 2019

Brigadier Christopher D. Davies (late Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment): Commander, 38th (Irish) Brigade, September 2019-August 2021

Brigadier Andrew P.L. Dawes (late Royal Artillery): Commander, 160th (Welsh) Brigade, February 2020

Brigadier Elizabeth J. Faithfull-Davies (late Royal Logistic Corps): Commander, 102nd Logistic Brigade, February 2020

Brigadier C.R. Patrick Ginn (late Mercian Regiment): Commander, 20th Armoured Infantry Brigade, June 2020
Brigadier Matthew H. Jones (late Intelligence Corps): Commander, 1st Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Brigade, June 2020

Brigadier Richard F.L. Lyne (late Royal Anglian Regiment)

Brigadier Andrew D. Moffat (late Royal Logistic Corps): Deputy Chief of Staff, Support, Field Army, January 2021

Brigadier Patrick S. Reehal (late Royal Logistic Corps): Higher Command and Staff Course, January-May 2021; Commander, 101 Logistic Brigade, August 2021

Brigadier James M. Senior (late Light Dragoons): Commander, 38 (Irish) Brigade, August 2021

Brigadier Paul T. Tedman (late Army Air Corps): Deputy Commander, Joint Helicopter Command, October 2019, and Commander, 1st Aviation Brigade, April 2020

Brigadier I. Alexander J. Turner (late Irish Guards): Commander, 77th Brigade, November 2020

Brigadier Simon T. Waddington (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Defence Adviser, Pakistan, February 2020

Brigadier Adam E.A. Corkery (late Royal Signals): Head, Information Services (Army), December 2020

Brigadier Andrew D. Cox (late Mercian Regiment): Deputy Commanding General, 1st (U.S.) Armored Division, July 2020

Brigadier Stefan B. Crossfield (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Head of Information Exploitation, Army, February 2021

Brigadier Charles A. Hewitt (late Royal Artillery): Commander, 1st Artillery Brigade, July 2020

Brigadier Jason C. Rhodes (late Royal Engineers): Defence Attache, Germany, July 2020

Brigadier Charles R.M. Story (late Royal Engineers): Chief Engineer, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, July 2020
Brigadier Stuart C. Williams (late Royal Artillery): Deputy Commander, Cadets, Regional Command, October 2020

Acting and Designate:

Brigadier Samuel L. Humphris (late Yorkshire Regiment): Commander, 1st Armoured Infantry Brigade, July 2020

Brigadier James E.H. Vigne (late Royal Artillery): Deputy Director, Resource and Portfolio Management, Strategic Command, September 2020


Brigadier Timothy J. Crossland (late Royal Logistic Corps): Assistant Chief of Staff (Personnel and Logistics), Permanent Joint HQ, December 2020


Brigadier F.A. James Piggott (late Royal Dragoon Guards): Defence Attache Training, January-December 2021

Brigadier Neil A. Den-McKay (late Royal Regiment of Scotland): Deputy Commanding General, Support, 82nd (U.S.) Airborne Division, January 2021

Brigadier Philip R.D. Muir (late Royal Signals): Commander, 1st Signal Brigade and Chief, Communications, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, February 2021

Brigadier Philip J. Bassingham-Searle (late Yorkshire Regiment): Head, Personnel Policy and Director, Manning (Army), February 2021

Brigadier Richard S.C. Bell (late Royal Irish Regiment): Deputy Commanding General, Combined Joint Task Force, Operation Inherent Resolve, Iraq, April 2021

Brigadier Matthew J. Birch (late Royal Artillery): Head, Joint Fires and Influence, Allied Rapid Reaction Corps, July 2021

Brigadier Marcus J. Mudd (late Royal Lancers): Commander, 4th Infantry Brigade and HQ North East, July 2021
Brigadier Mark C.P. Wilson (late Rifles): Commander, Collective Training Group, August 2021

Brigadier Michael D. Cornwell (late Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment): Commander, 12th Armoured Infantry Brigade, August 2021

Brigadier David J. Bickers (late Royal Engineers): Commander, 8 Engineer Brigade, August 2021

Brigadier Paul M. Hayhurst (late Army Air Corps): Defence Attache Training, August 2021

Brigadier Shay J.J. Marks (late Intelligence Corps): Head of Intelligence Operations, Defence Intelligence, August 2021

Brigadier James W. Taylor (late Royal Regiment of Fusiliers): Commander, Initial Training Group, September 2021

Brigadier Jon P. Cresswell (late Royal Artillery): Deputy Commanding General, 1st French Division, September 2021

Brigadier Christopher King (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Commander, 104 Logistic Support Brigade, September 2021

Brigadier Clare P. Phillips (late Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers): Deputy Military Secretary, September 2021