

Minister  
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Mr. John Stanton  
Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel

Dear Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel Stanton:

Upon the recommendation of the Chief of the Defence Staff, I am pleased to approve your appointment as Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of The Loyal Edmonton Regiment 4th Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

The practice of honorary regimental appointments in Canada dates back more than a century. Although the tasks and roles of units have changed over the years, it remains the role of the Honorary to serve as a link between the community and the Canadian Forces. In this activity, distinguished Canadians, such as you, serve extremely well.

I am certain that over the next three years you will gain a heightened appreciation of the importance of your unit within the community. And in turn, this appointment will provide unique and satisfying experiences and will benefit the Canadian Forces.

I wish to congratulate you on your appointment and thank you for your interest in the Canadian Forces and the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter MacKay". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long tail that loops back under the name.

Peter G. MacKay