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DEFENCE NEWS

Canadian military explored plan to fully integrate





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forces with U.S.

CBC News

CBC News has learned that a Canadian military effort to formally create integrated forces with the United States for expeditionary operations included an even more ambitious option — a plan to fully integrate military forces, explored during a meeting with the top generals from the two countries. **READ MORE**

Canadian Rangers approve of smaller, more powerful new rifles







Government of Canada

The Canadian Rangers are bidding adjeu to the hunting rifle that has served them well for nearly 70 years and reactions to its replacement are positive. The new prototype rifle, the C-19, was designed by Finland's Sako, based on its Tikka T3 CTR model. Manufacturing will be done by Colt Canada. READ MORE

Elementary teachers say Remembrance Day activities unaffected by work-to-rule action







Inside Toronto

The Elementary Teachers of Toronto (ETT) are assuring students, parents and Royal Canadian Legion members that Remembrance Day activities will happen this year, despite the ongoing work-to-rule strike action. "We're making an exception for Remembrance Day. All Remembrance Day activities will continue," said ETT president John Smith. READ MORE

Bottle drive brings Timmins cadets one step closer to Vimy Ridge







Timmins Press

Members of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Tiger organized a bottle drive over the weekend to raise funds for a trip that, quite literally, only comes around once in a century. Eager cadets from the ages of 12 to 18 gathered at the Algonquin Street Beer Store, accepting empties and donations from the public to help fund their 2017 journey to Vimy Ridge in France. The trip will fall on the 100th anniversary of The Battle of Vimy Ridge, giving the young cadets the chance to mark a historical anniversary and learn more about the significant part of Canadian military history. READ MORE

Veteran paves the way forward







An army veteran working at Lakeland College has put forward a program to help military members and their families' transition into civilian life. Dale Pearce retired from the military 23 years ago after a 20-year career, and over the past 10 years has been working at Lakeland College as an accessibility advisor in The Learning Commons. READ MORE

Canadian veterans run, campaigns for better treatment







Military veterans are heating up campaigns in ridings across Canada for the Oct. 19 federal election, with a shared goal for better treatment. Their presence comes in the form of both candidates, and activists fighting for veterans' rights. The number of veterans running for the Liberal Party is into the double digits. They include retired general Andrew Leslie in Orleans, Ontario, READ MORE

Minister of Veterans Affairs meets with Our TMH





Inside Belleville

Erin O'Toole, Canada's Minister of Veterans Affairs, met with Our TMH chair John Smylie and other members of the advocacy group to discuss the committee's plans at City Hall. The purpose of the closed-door meeting, set up by Conservative Party candidate in the Bay of Quinte riding Jodie Jenkins, was to discuss the goals of the Our TMH committee and look ahead at forging partnerships with Veterans Affairs. Smylie said that he feels very encouraged by what Minister O'Toole said during the meeting. READ MORE

Conflict has generated new generation of veterans





Chatham Daily News

An important addition was made to the cenotaph in downtown Chatham with little fanfare that marks another

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important part of recent Canadian military history. "Afghanistan 2001-2014" is now etched forever into the monument that stands as a testament to the bravery of local residents who fought in the First and Second World Wars and the Korean War. READ MORE

Canadian military ponders integrated force with U.S. to respond to hotspots









CBC News

The Canadian military has been working on a plan to create with the United States a bi-national integrated military force to deploy to hot spots around the world. The so-called Canada-U.S. Integrated Forces would be the result of an agreement between the two countries under which air, sea, land and special operations forces would be jointly deployed under unified command, outside Canada. READ MORE

First World War discovery box program lets students touch the First **World War**







Government of Canada

What weighs 27 kilograms, contains five genuine and 17 reproduction First World War artifacts, including a gas mask and an example of trench art, and can be borrowed without charge by any school in Canada? It's the Supply Line First World War Discovery Box, created by staff at the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa to give students hands-on experience of what it was like to be First World War soldiers. READ MORE

Canada's patched-up military: Too few dollars, too many missions









CBC News

National defense is a dead zone in our elections, rarely debated in depth in a country where the military and its multiple problems are mostly out of sight, out of mind. Sure, the bizarre complexities of the F-35 stealth fighter inevitably surface, as they did when Justin Trudeau vowed to scrap it entirely from the competition to replace the aging CF-18s. READ MORE

Project to move to 'lean' DND HQ behind schedule







Ottawa Citizen

The Department of National Defence and Canadian Forces had planned to start moving employees last year and earlier this year as part of their "lean headquarters" initiative. The number was to be between 846 and 1,034 "fulltime equivalents" of the 12,000 military and civilian personnel in the National Capital Region who are employed at National Defence headquarters and other support directorates. **READ MORE**

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