

2016 Canadian Armed Forces Outlooks (Army)

Navigating a Year of Transition

Welcome Remarks

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Welcome to the first in our series of three Outlooks over the next three days. Before I get things started, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Steve Noonan, our Army Outlook Chair, and our Army liaison Lieutenant Colonel Jake Galuga. These two individuals played a leading role in bringing the Army Outlook together this year.

The Outlooks, along with CANSEC, are CADSI's annual flagship events. They provide a platform for the senior leadership of the Army, Navy and Air Force to give our industry their frank perspectives on the capital priorities of the services over the short-medium term. In a sense, the Outlooks put the real flesh on the bone of the Defence Acquisition Guide. They are an important part of the ongoing dialogue and engagement between our industry and the Department of National Defence that helps ensure the delivery of a successful defence equipment program. The Outlooks serve the mutual interests of the Canadian Armed Forces and Canada's defence industrial community, and CADSI is proud to host them again this year.

I want to thank the Army, Navy and Air Force for taking the time to speak to and network with us over the next few days in what is a busy time for them.

This promises to be a very exciting year at National Defence. With a new government comes some changes in defence priorities. We in industry are particularly interested in the government's commitment to "modernize procurement practices so that they are simpler, less administratively burdensome...and support the government's economic policy goals".

Nous attendons aussi l'examen de la Défense et souhaitons mettre à contribution les connaissances et l'expertise de l'industrie dans le cadre de ce processus. Plus particulièrement, nous croyons pouvoir enrichir le dialogue sur la manière d'améliorer l'efficacité du système d'approvisionnement en défense, ce qui est essentiel pour garantir l'efficacité de la politique du gouvernement en matière de défense.

Next year at this time we will likely have in front of us a new defence white paper articulating this government's defence policy. This will probably have implications for the capital program. So we are in a period of some change and uncertainty. Which is why the Outlooks are particularly important this year. The next three days are vital for our industry to hear the priorities of the Army, Navy and Air Force as they head into the Defence Review process.

We have a rich program for you today on the Army. After we hear from Lieutenant General Hainse, we

will hear about the Army Program and Requirements, followed by a series of detailed breakout sessions covering a broad range of issues, including Soldier Systems and Simulator Systems, Artillery and Armored Vehicles, Command and Control and Combat Support, and Service Support Systems.

I hope you find the presentations, discussions and networking opportunities helpful and profitable.

Before I introduce our next guest, I'd like to share some exciting news. Over the past year, we have been taking a more public stance on the capabilities that we bring to our Canadian Armed Forces and our Nation's Industrial base which is important for all of our prosperity.

You might have seen the slideshow playing as you sat here waiting for the Outlook to begin. That is a small part of what we've been doing.

We've also been working towards a new, modern image and story for CANSEC--symbolic of our reputation for excellence and the global reach of both the show and our members.

The inspiration for our new CANSEC brand is two-fold: the shield, symbol of security, pride and forward vision; and the chevrons, symbols of military and police rank, authority and our connection to those who protect us. Finally, if you look closely at the logo, you will see hidden inside the letters C and S from CANSEC. Brought all together this crisp and authoritative new logo is now the official symbol of Canada's global defence and security tradeshow.

Given that over 4,200 DND and Government personnel join us each year at CANSEC, I'm happy to present to you the CANSEC 2016 website in order to announce that Registration, Ladies and Gentlemen, is now open!

It is now my pleasure to introduce Lieutenant General Hainse.

Lieutenant-General Hainse joined the Canadian Forces in 1977 and studied at the Collège militaire royal de Saint-Jean. He was commissioned as an officer in August 1980 and then joined the Royal 22e Régiment.

His operational postings began in 1980 with the 2nd Battalion Royal 22e Régiment in Quebec City. He served on five operational missions abroad and participated in two domestic operations, namely Oka and the 1998 ice storm. He also held diverse command appointments at every rank level. In 1996, he assumed command of the 1st Battalion Royal 22e Régiment in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

In April 2002, he served as Commander of the Bosnia-Herzegovina Task Force and on 2 September 2004, he became the 21st commander of 5 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group. In 2007, he served in Southern Afghanistan as Deputy Commander Regional Command South (a NATO British led multinational Division). He assumed Command of Land Force Doctrine and Training System in May 2008.

Lieutenant-General Hainse also filled many staff positions. At National Defence Headquarters (NDHQ) in Ottawa, he was a staff officer for the Vice Chief of the Defence Staff and aide-de-camp to the Chief of the Defence Staff. In the summer of 2001, he held the position of Chief of Staff of Land Force Quebec Area. He was transferred back to NDHQ as J3 International in the fall of 2002. In July 2006, he was appointed Chief of Staff of Canada Command in Ottawa. In August 2010, he was appointed as Chief of Programme at National Defence Headquarters.

He was involved in training and education on three different occasions: in 1984 at the Infantry School in Gagetown, in 1994 at the Royal Military College in Kingston as my DCadets during the years that I served.

In 2008 he was Commander of Land Force Doctrine and Training System, where he oversaw all aspects of training of the Canadian Land Force.

Lieutenant-General Hainse has pursued professional development at the Land Force Command and Staff College in Kingston and at the Canadian Forces Command and Staff College in Toronto. On completion of Battalion Command in 1999, he undertook a master's program at the École nationale d'administration publique (ÉNAP) in Quebec City. He holds a Master's degree in Public Administration and an advanced graduate diploma (DESS) in International Management Studies.

Please join me in welcoming Lieutenant General Hainse.