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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

NOMINATIONS TO THE BOARD The Board of Directors has received the report of the Nominations Committee. The task of this Committee was to prepare a slate of candidates who are willing and able to stand for election at the Annual General Meeting, to fill the vacancies on the Board of Directors. The slate of nominees for 1994 is as follows:

President: Prof J.G. Pike
V/President: LCdr F.J. Dunbar (Retd)
Secretary: LCdr S.E. Naismith
Treasurer: LCol G. Bissonnette (Retd)

Directors: (Total of five positions)
Ms. B. Brownlee
Mr. D. Carter-Edwards
Mr. P. Fortier
Ms. M. Gurney
Mr. D. Lavoie
Mr. M. Wake
Maj D.T. Yaworsky

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS FROM MEMBERS
As noted in Vol 1, No 1 of The Bulletin, OMMC, Inc. members may submit nominations for a fellow member to be considered for election to the Board of Directors, at the AGM. Only one additional nomination has been received. **MGen (Retd) Lionel Bourgeois** has been nominated to stand for election as a Director of OMMC, Inc. for 1994.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1994

1994 ELECTION An election for Directors will be required at the 1994 AGM, since eight members have been nominated for the five Director positions. The Officers will be elected by acclamation, since only one name has been proposed for the positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAW A, ARTICLE IV

The Nominations Committee was also tasked to review the terms of office for the Officers of the Board and make recommendations for any changes deemed necessary. As currently written, By-Law A states in part that:

"the business of the OMMC shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the four Officers of the OMMC (President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer) and a maximum of five other elected Directors. (Articles 4.1, 4.2 & 4.3)

The Officers and Directors shall be elected at each annual membership meeting for a term of one year, or until the next annual membership meeting. (Article 4.4)

The Committee recommended that Article 4.4 of By-Law A be amended to provide that the Officers and Directors-at-large be elected for a two year term, with half being elected in alternate years. This will provide continuity, in that there should be up to half the committee carrying over from year to year, instead of having the entire committee change on an annual basis.

At its meeting held 9 June 1994, the Board enacted By-Law "D" which provides for two year terms as recommended by the Nominations Committee. The text of By-Law "D" is enclosed in this edition of The Bulletin. Since this By-Law amends the Constitution which was approved by the Ministry of Corporate and Consumer Affairs, it is not effective until it has been ratified by the membership of OMMC, Inc. and also has been approved by the Minister. The By-Law provides for the terms of Vice-President, Treasurer and three Directors to be converted to a two year term, once the By-Law has received the necessary approvals.

PROXIES FOR 1994 AGM Proxies for the Annual General Meeting, including the election of Directors and the ratification of By-Law "D" will be mailed out only to those members who have paid their 1994 membership fees and who will not be attending the 1994 AGM and course.

FINANCIAL The Executive wishes to acknowledge receipt of a \$2,180 grant from the Alberta Museums Association Special Grants Program. This grant was received for the 1993 course, to assist with the cost of foreign guest lecturers.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Just a reminder - all correspondence with the OMMC Inc. is to be sent to the new mailing address, not to the CWM.

Please note that there is a 'typo' on some of our letterhead; the Post Office Box # is **26106**. My apologies for any confusion the error may have caused.

MEMBERSHIPS The number of members of the OMMC, Inc. has increased to 191, plus 15 honorary members. This number includes 70 members who have not yet paid their 1994 fees! Any members who have not paid their 1994 fees by August 1994 will be removed from the mailing and membership lists.

NEW MEMBERS The OMMC, Inc is pleased to welcome the following new members:

Institutional members:

The Beaver Valley Military Museum;
HMCS HAIDA Naval Museum;
The New Brunswick Museum;
Royal Canadian Legion Br 52 Museum;
Canadian Society of Military Medals and Insignia;
The West Point Museum (USMA); and
The US Cavalry Museum.

Individual Members:

Mr. Bob Baglow;
Mr. Claude Bergeron;
LCol Pierre Bibeau;
Mr. Henry B. Davis, Jr.;
Ms. Jacqueline Eliasson;
Mr. Bob Fowler;
Mr. R.J. (Bob) Henderson;
Mr. Norman Holt;
Ms. Cyndie M. Lack;
Mr. John Maybin;
Mr. Maxwell McDougall;
Mr. Mark Paine;
Mr. Sheperd Paine;
Mr. Robert W. Preston;

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Executive Director

Maj R.K. (Dick) Malott (Retd)

1994 Course Co-ordinator
(Québec City)

BGen Pierre Sénécal (Retd)

Mr. Gary Roncetti;
Mr. Tom Skelding;
Lt William A. Smyth;
Mr. Donald Thomas; and
Mr. R.S. Travers-Griffin.

1994 MUSEOLOGY COURSE UPDATE

This section provides an update on the 1994 OMMC Course, which is being hosted by CFB Valcartier (Quebec City) and the Musée R22eR (La Citadelle) from Monday 15 August to Friday 19 August 1994. **Please read this section carefully** - this is the only course information which will be mailed out to members, except for the course confirmation form. For additional information or details, contact the OMMC office at (613)829-0280, or LCdr Naismith, at (613) 241-3602.

REGISTRATION The registration desk will be located at "The Bridge", (Building 521), the accommodations block, from noon Saturday 13 August to 11 pm Sunday 14 August. Course packages, room assignments, etc, will be provided at the registration desk.

Monday 15 August to Thursday 18 August, a daily registration desk will be located at the Officers' Mess, for non-members who wish to attend lectures. The cost is \$10/day, or \$25 for all three lecture days. Non-members may also attend field trips; guest prices are indicated on the registration form.

TRANSPORTATION:

DND SERVICE FLIGHTS As we go to press, all 30 Priority 2 seats on DND service (charter) flights for non-DND personnel have been allocated. Due to recent changes in the Flight schedule, please note the booking dates for these seats:

members departing from Edmonton and Winnipeg are booked on SF 300 Thursday 11 August; members departing from Victoria, Vancouver and Toronto are booked on SF 300 Saturday 13 August; and all westbound members are booked on SF 301 on Monday 22 August 1994.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION A DND bus will meet course attendees at the Ottawa Airport on Saturday 13 August for transfer to CFB Valcartier, departing at 2000 hours (8 pm). The Executive Director will be at the airport, to co-ordinate transportation and travel

to CFB Valcartier, with the bus. The return bus trip will be on Sunday 21 August 1994; the departure will be announced later. **Note: this is the only ground transportation provided to meet DND flights.** Course attendees arriving or departing at any other times will need to make their own arrangements for travel between Ottawa and Valcartier.

Members arriving by car should take the Autoroute Henri IV (Highway 573) north from Highway 40, to reach the base. Members are to identify themselves as OMMC attendees and request a base parking pass, at the main gate to the base. You will need to provide proof of vehicle insurance. The Duty Commissionaire will direct you to Building 521 ("The Bridge"), the course accommodations.

Transportation for field trips during the course will be provided, so members will not need to use their own vehicles.

POSSIBLE AIR CANADA CHARTER: TORONTO TO QUEBEC CITY In Vol 1, No 1 of "The Bulletin", we mentioned a possible civilian air charter from Toronto to Quebec City, for members arriving on the eastbound DND flight and members from the Toronto area. Due to cost and the lack of member interest, the idea has been dropped.

OFFICIAL AIRLINE Air Canada is the official airline for the 1994 course. To make a reservation via, quote Event Number **CY 940770**, or call 1-800-361-7585.

ACCOMMODATIONS Accommodations will be at "The Bridge", the old Emergency Relocation Site at CFB Valcartier. The quarters are dormitory style, 4 - 8 per room; all efforts will be made to assign fewer rather than more people to each room. Most of the rooms do not have locks, so leave valuables at home or bring a lock for the lockers provided. Washrooms are communal, so bring a housecoat or other suitable attire for those "treks down the hall". Also, bring your own towels and soap, since these will not be supplied. Laundry facilities should be available. Members will be advised of room assignments on arrival.

Members arriving in Ottawa on Thursday 11 August and/or returning on Monday 22 August will require accommodations in Ottawa for the nights of 11, 12 & 21 Aug; this is at

the member's own expense, since military accommodations are not available in Ottawa. Please advise the office as soon as possible, if you wish us to make a hotel reservation on your behalf, at the Government rate.

The course ends Friday 19 August, however the accommodations at Valcartier will be available until Sunday 21 August, for members wishing to stay an additional day.

DRESS CODE Since we are being hosted on a military base, military dress codes are in effect for the Mess and lecture Halls. Casual dress (trousers and open neck shirt and the equivalent for ladies), is acceptable. Please note: shorts are not allowed in the mess hall; shirts and socks must be worn in the mess. The lectures will be held in the Officers' Mess, therefore jeans are not acceptable attire. For new members, the Dining-In Night, Thursday 18 August, is formal dress (mess kit, black tie or business suit and evening or cocktail dress for ladies), with decorations.

COURSE SCHEDULE The course schedule, with dates, topics and speakers is as follows:

MON 15 AUG: The Quebec Garrison - Mr. Mark Lafrance;
Preparing a Travelling War Poster Exhibition - Mr. Maurice Doll;
PM: Place Royale & Musée de la Civilisation, Québec City;
TUE 16 AUG: The Private Collector and The Museum - Confrontation or Co-operation? - Mr. David Love;
The Care of Outside Exhibits - Mr. Sten J. Holm;
Collections Management - Mr. Richard Gauthier;
Canada Remembers - Mr. Robert Taylor;
PM: Museum of the Seminary; Québec Experience; & Artillery Park, Québec City;
EVENING 16 AUG: dinner and historical reenactment at NCSM MONTCALM;
WED 17 AUG: Les Forges de St-Maurice, 12 Armoured Regiment Museum (12 RBC), Trois Rivières, and Voltigeurs de Québec Museum, Québec City;
EVENING 17 AUG: dinner in Québec City;
THU 18 AUG: RAF Tactical Air Power Development (1939/45) - Mr. Andrew Cormack;
Soldiering in the North Africa Campaign - Refurbishing the Battlefield Museum at El Alamein - LCol Dr. Ernst Schmidt (Retd);

Reacting to a Catastrophe - Ms. Deborah Stewart;
Resource Development & Partnerships: Strategies for co-operation between military museums & private sector - Mr. Paul Fortier & Mr. James Kochan;
The Borodino Battlefield Museum - Mme Nevskaya & Mlle Felina.
Simultaneous French translation will be provided for all presentations on Thursday 18 August.
PM: Meeting of The Association of Air museums of Canada
EVENING 18 AUG: Course Dining-In at Cercle de la Garnison (Garrison Club) in Québec City.
FRI 19 AUG: Fort Museum, National Battlefield Museum, R 22^e R Museum and the Citadelle, Québec City.

EDITOR'S END-NOTES

Hopefully, the recent DND Service Flight changes won't prove to be a major problem for members. Please contact the office if you require any assistance with your travel arrangements, because of the changes.

For members arriving on Sat 13 Aug and departing 21 Aug, two additional field trips are being planned. **SUN 14 AUG:** Historical Reenactment by The King Rangers, 1230 hours on the Plains of Abraham; and **Sat 20 Aug:** bus trip to La Chaudière Regimental Museum, Fort #1 and Fort La Martinère, in Lévis. Advise the office if you're interested in either of these trips, since space will be limited. There will be a nominal charge to cover the cost of admissions and lunch for both days.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS: The Canadian Museum of Flight & Transportation has finished the structural work on their Hampden torpedo bomber. CMFT plans a Mark 13 aerial torpedo display; if anyone knows of one, or spare parts, for sale/trade/loan, please contact the museum at (604) 535-1115.

After years of restoration work, Shearwater Aviation Museum flew their restored Fairey Swordfish (better known as the "Stringbag") on 13 April 1994. BZ to all those who made the flight possible!


As part of "Canada Remembers", many museums and organizations are planning exhibits relating to the end of the war; information sent to the Editor will be included in future editions of The Bulletin, space permitting.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Take notice that the Annual General Meeting of *THE ORGANIZATION OF MILITARY MUSEUMS OF CANADA, INC./L'ORGANISATION DES MUSEES MILITAIRES DU CANADA, INC. (OMMC, INC.)* will be held on **MONDAY 15 AUGUST 1994** at the **CASTOR CENTRE, CFB VALCARTIER**, at **2030 HOURS (8:30 P.M.)** for the following purposes:

1. To receive the annual report of the Chairman of the Board;
2. To receive and consider the financial statements of the corporation for the year ending 31 December 1993 and the auditor's report thereof;
3. To appoint auditors for 1994;
4. To elect Officers and other members of the Board of Directors for the following year;
5. To consider and vote on the ratification of By-Law "D" of the corporation, a By-Law to establish a two year term of office for the Officers and Directors of OMMC, Inc., as enacted by the Board on 9 June 1994; and
6. To transact such further or additional business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment thereof.

By Order of the Board,


F.J. Dunbar
Lieutenant Commander, RCN (Retired)
Secretary

NOTES:

- a) A member who is unable to attend the Annual General Meeting may appoint a proxy, who must be a member in good standing of OMMC, Inc. A proxy form will be mailed on 15 July 1994 to all paid up members who have indicated that they do not intend to participate in the 1994 course. Proxies must be received by the Secretary or the Executive Director not later than 72 hours before the scheduled time of the meeting, ie. on or before 5 pm, Friday 12 August 1994.
- b) A list of nominees for election as Directors is included in "THE BULLETIN", Volume 1, Number 2, Spring 1994. This includes the slate prepared by the Nominations Committee and the nomination received from the membership at large.
- c) A copy of the new By-Law "D" is enclosed. The changes provide for the officers and directors of OMMC, Inc. to be elected for a two year term of office. Provision is also made for the transition from a one year term of office to a two year term of office. Since By-Law "A" is included in the incorporating documents of the OMMC, Inc., By-Law "D" will not take effect until ratified by the membership and approved by the Minister of Corporate and Consumer Affairs.
- d) Immediately following the meeting, there will be an opportunity to receive an information report from the Canadian War Museum and from the Friends of the Canadian War Museum.

BY - LAW "D"

A By-Law to establish a two year term of office
for the officers and directors of

THE ORGANIZATION OF MILITARY MUSEUMS OF CANADA, INC /
L'ORGANISATION DES MUSEES MILITAIRES DU CANADA, INC.

1. The Officers and Directors shall be elected at an annual membership meeting for a term of two years until the second succeeding annual membership meeting.
2. At the annual membership meeting in 1994, the President and Secretary shall be elected for a one year term. Elections in 1995 and thereafter shall be for a two year term in alternate years to the Vice-President and Treasurer.
3. At the annual membership meeting in 1994, the Vice-President and Treasurer shall be elected for a one year term on the understanding that, subject to the ratification of this By-Law by the membership and approval by the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, the term of office shall be extended to a two year term. Elections in 1996 and thereafter shall be for a two year term in alternate years to the President and Secretary.
- 4.a) At the annual membership meeting in 1994, five Directors-at-large shall be elected for a one year term, on the understanding that, subject to the ratification of this By-Law by the membership and approval by the Minister of Corporate and Consumer Affairs, the term of office of the three Directors-at-large who receive the greatest number of votes shall be extended to a two year term;
- b) Directors-at-large elected in 1995 and thereafter shall be elected for a two year term;
- c) In the event of any change in the number of Directors-at-large, if there be an even number of Directors-at-large, an equal number of terms of office shall be filled in alternate years, and if there be an odd number of Directors-at-large, the number of terms of office to be filled at any annual meeting shall differ by one.
5. In order to preserve the two year term, any person appointed or elected to fill a position that has become vacant before the expiry of the incumbent's two year term, shall be appointed or elected for the balance of the original term only.
6. Officers and Directors-at-large shall be eligible for re-election.
7. Paragraph 4.4 of By-Law "A" is hereby repealed.
8. This By-Law shall become effective upon receipt of the approval of the Minister of Corporate and Consumer Affairs.

ENACTED THIS NINTH DAY OF JUNE 1994

Witness the Seal of the OMMC, Inc.

THE ORGANIZATION OF MILITARY MUSEUMS OF CANADA, INC /
L'ORGANISATION DES MUSEES MILITAIRES DU CANADA, INC.

President

Secretary

Ratified: Annual General Meeting held

Approved: Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs