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TOWN HALL MEETING
CALAIS BRANCH #162



The Department of National Defence military ombudsman, Mr. Gary Walbourne will conduct an information session speaking on transition issues to serving military members, Veterans and their families.

MEET & GREET - 1815
INFO SESSION - 1900
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QUESTIONS / COMMENTS

Ombudsman

Mr. Gary Walbourne

On 11 March 2014, Minister of National Defence Rob Nicholson named long-time public servant Gary Walbourne to a five-year mandate as the new National Defence and Canadian Armed Forces Ombudsman.

Mr. Walbourne has had a distinguished career in the public service of Canada to date. In 2011, he joined the Office of the Veterans Ombudsman (OVO) as Executive Director Operations and Deputy Ombudsman.

Prior to the OVO, he served as Director General Executive Secretariat at Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Gary was accountable for coordination of Parliamentary Affairs, Access to Information and Privacy, and Ministerial Correspondence.

Before joining DFO, Gary was the Director of Strategic Initiatives and Shared Support Services at the Department of National Defence (DND), where he was accountable for four streams of services: providing Corporate and Shared Services support related to Government of Canada Strategic Initiatives; a range of DND/Canadian Forces Shared Support Services; Corporate and Shared Services Business Planning & Analysis; and National Office Accommodations including Business Continuity Planning. He was also the Contract Liaison Manager with the 103 Search and Rescue Squadron in Gander, NL, before moving to HQ as Director.

Prior to his public service experience, he spent over twenty years in the private sector specializing in the management of operations, corporate programs and administrative service delivery.

Gary holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration, a Certified Human Resources Professional (CHRP) designation, and a Certified Management Accountants (CMA) designation