



The Chiefs of Defense Meeting - 2023 a success



2023 CHOD Group photo at InterContinental Fiji Resort: Photo by INDOPACOM PAO

The 2023 Chief of Defence meeting, which saw the presence of 26 Defense Force heads from militaries within the Indo-Pacific region, was held from the 14th to the 16th of August 2023 at the InterContinental resort in Natadola. The meeting which was co-hosted by the Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) and the US Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM), created a platform where militaries could engage in dialogue concerning security and defence.

In an interview with Mataivalu News, Commander RFMF Major-General Ro Jone Kalouniwai said that the meeting came as a huge learning curve in terms of leadership for the RFMF as a smaller military when looking at the strategic space and how other defence forces operated within the Indo-Pacific region.

"It (conference) offers us insights into how they operate, their view of their role within the strategic space,

and how they view the region in terms of security. One of the key takeaways that we had seriously deliberated in the last two days was on the rules-based international order," Maj-Gen Kalouniwai said.

"I believe that as for small island nations such as Fiji, this is the only thing that we have that enables us to become coequals when we work with larger nations with bigger powers that exist around us. Without that, then there is nothing that we can do that will safeguard us from bigger nations emerging into our region who are looking into various resources that they feel they can capitalize on."

In addition to this, the Commander RFMF said that the three days allowed smaller militaries to understand emerging challenges in the region and how they could respond.

"The biggest challenge for us being a small military establishment is how

we respond, and how do we cope with these emerging conditions, and the fact that we can join up with forums such as this one allows us to understand our value and how we can go into dialogue with other military establishments and see what we can get out of it." Maj-Gen Kalouniwai said.

Maj-Gen Kalouniwai further stated that "the fact that we can co-host this Chief of Defence Force meeting is an indication of how proactive we would want to become in terms of offering what we can do, the support we can provide, or how we can operate when it comes to HADR.

By: Sgt P. Taoi



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Welcome to the 1st Volume and 1st Issue of the Mataivalu News.

Since the last publication of the Mataivalu News in 2005, a lot has changed. The RFMF has evolved through its strength and capabilities to complement the tasks it pursues in the country, region, and the globe as far as peacekeeping is concerned.

As this issue bridges the gap between 2003 and 2022 the RFMF Media cell will focus on highlighting the RFMF's engagement with relevant stakeholders on different activities and share important announcements, achievements, and success stories of the institution, its battalions, units, and individuals. Our aim is to promote professional development, recognize achievements and contribute to the institution's overall effectiveness.

This first volume consists of a total of ten news stories and includes the Commander RFMF and Force Sergeant Majors message. The news stories and images are prepared by the Media Cell team under the guidance of the COS RFMF Brigadier-General Sapenafa Motufaga.

The RFMF Media cell wishes to thank all those that have assisted in the publication of the Mataivalu News, and we hope that you enjoy this first Volume! Have a great read!

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**Commander Republic of Fiji Military Forces
Major General Ro Jone Kalouniwai**

Greetings,

Today, as we gather to celebrate the launching of the latest edition of Mataivalu News, I address you with great pride. This book, the result of the hard work of our military's best, represents the spirit and strength of our organization. It exemplifies the values, norms, and standards that the Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) uphold.

It is a privilege for me to address you today, not only to acknowledge the outstanding effort that has gone into Mataivalu News, but also to encourage each of you to continue working hard for the greater good of the nation we love.

Our nation looks to us for security, safety, and protection of our way of life. The sacrifices we make, the diligence with which we carry out our duties, and the commitment we show to the institution are all essential in safeguarding our nation's interests. Our citizens entrust us with their safety, and we owe it to them to be the best versions of ourselves.

In upholding the values, norms, and standards of our institution, we reaffirm our commitment to discipline, honor, and respect. We must remember that the RFMF is more than just a military force; it is a symbol of hope, unity, and national pride. It is a reflection of the values that define us as Fijians.

The pages of Mataivalu News are a testament to the remarkable work done by our troops. The stories within its covers speak of dedication, bravery, and the sacrifices made by each one of you in service to our nation. Your actions and achievements exemplify the very essence of what it means to be a member of the RFMF.

But let us not rest on our achievements. We must continue to push the boundaries of excellence. Whether you are on the frontlines or supporting our troops from behind, your role is invaluable. Each and every one of you play a crucial part in our collective mission.

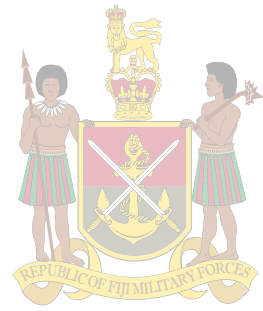
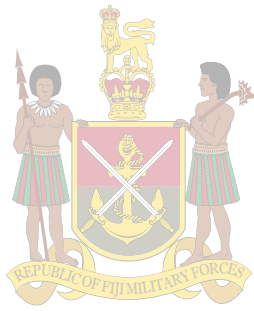
As we release this edition of

Mataivalu News, let it serve as a reminder of our purpose. Let it inspire us to work even harder, to strive for greater accomplishments, and to embody the values and standards that define us as a force to be reckoned with. We must continue to adapt, to innovate, and to lead by example.

Our mission is clear - we must protect our nation, its people, and its future. The RFMF is more than an institution; it is a source of strength, unity, and resilience. Together, we will ensure that Fiji remains a place of peace, prosperity, and opportunity for all.

So, I urge you to continue your hard work, your unwavering dedication, and your commitment to the RFMF. Together, we will uphold the values, norms, and standards that defines us.

Vinaka vakalevu, and may God bless Fiji



Force Sergeant Major Republic of Fiji Military Forces WO1 Joeli Rabuli

It is indeed a great honor for me to state my first ever remarks on the Mataivalu News after spending the last two years at the Republic for Fiji Military Forces Force Sergeant Major's office. The reviving of the Mataivalu News for periodical release is a great effort by our Media Cell at HQ RFMF. My last two years in the office have been very challenging and have involved a lot of memorial activities which the RFMF has involved itself in. The handover of the outgoing Commander RFMF to the current Commander RFMF in September 2021 begins a new journey for the institution, which also includes the new Senior Leadership Team at HQ RFMF.

The RFMF also facilitated the inaugural ceremony for the new Commander-In-Chief and Fiji's 6th President, His-Excellency Lieutenant-Colonel (Ret'd) Ratu Wiliame Maivalili Katonivere after his inauguration at the State House on Friday 12th November 2021.

The RFMF has also collaborated remarkably in courses and exercises with other enlisted

forces in our partner nations over the last two years which saw the active involvement of our enlisted soldiers and non-commission. Our force has also participated on several ceremonies with other countries including the platinum ceremony for the Queen's Birthday in June 2022 and the Coronation of the New King Charles II in 2023.

In addition to this, we have participated in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in the Pacific region, which saw the deployment of our troops to Tonga, Vanuatu and New Zealand. This greatly shows our efforts on climate change and regional partnerships.

The CRFMF launched his Strategic Plan Beyond 22 last year and states that it is crucial that we know our way forward and the what now from our current status at all level in order to be ready to meet the complex environment alongside the transformation of the RFMF into a modern Defense Force. One of the key takeaways concerning the Strategic Plan Beyond 22 is

for all Senior Enlisted Leaders, NCOs and Enlisted Soldiers must generate confidence at all levels through good management and accountability.

Trust must be a two-way street, as it will surely facilitate mutual cooperation and coordination in the RFMF. Your ability to fulfil your roles and discharge your responsibilities depends on the trust amongst the Soldiers and between Soldiers and Leaders and between Families and the RFMF. I urge all Enlisted Leaders to bear in mind that Leaders are to Lead and lead from the front and be perfect mentors to their team and squad. As a leader, you assure your leaders and soldiers of your competence, character, and commitment.

We have a great task ahead of us as we are in the last quarter of the year and the cyclone season is just around the corner. We must stand strong and work together for the betterment of the RFMF and the nation as a whole.

Vinaka Vakalevu

RFMF PARTICIPATED IN THE EX-TALISMAN SABRE 2023



Private Makario Aganisimai leads a section out on patrol during Exercise Talisman Sabre in Townsville, Australia. Photo by: Pte L. Soro

The Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) for the first time participated in the multinational military exercise; Exercise-Talisman Sabre in Australia. Forty-eight (48) regular personnel from various Land Force units including the 3rd Battalion Fiji Infantry Regiment and Engineers Regiment, were part of Battle Group RAM alongside a company from the Australian Defence Force, French Foreign Legion, the US Army and the New Zealand Defence Force.

Talisman Sabre is the largest bilateral combined training activity

between the Australian Defence Force and United States military, reflecting the closeness of their alliance across the region and the world. More than 30,000 military personnel from 13 nations participated in Talisman Sabre this year. This year's exercise involves field training, including force preparation, logistics activities, amphibious landings, ground force maneuvers, air combat, and maritime operations.

Our troops (RFMF), with the Australian (ADF) and French soldiers, were inserted into the quarry in order to secure the

perimeter. Upon their insertion, two AH-64 Apaches provided security in the air while they disembarked from the US Blackhawk, CH-47 Chinook, NZ NRH, and Australian MRH helicopters.

The Commanding-Officer for Battle Group RAM, Lieutenant Colonel Ben Watson from the Australian Defence Force in an interview said that the participation of the RFMF allows them to collaborate closely hand in hand.

"We have learnt a great deal from our Pacific Family"
-ADFLT-COL Ben Watson

"We have learned a great deal from our Pacific family, and in particular the RFMF with their ability to integrate into local populations and the environment. If we are to conduct an operation in the region, we are doing it with them in lockstep besides us as a united force." Lt-Col Watson said.

In addition to this, Major Julian Toganivalu from the 3 FIR who led the troops, said that the exchange of personnel over the years between the ADF and RFMF had allowed favorable outcomes that he witnessed during the exercise.

"Recently, the ADF has sent training teams to Fiji to conduct short courses. RFMF has also sent personnel to Australia for ADF accredited courses. The subsequent success of these exchanges was evident during Ex Diamond Strike and Ex Talisman Sabre. Specialists from the RFMF including combat engineers, mortar and snipers were embedded with their Australian counterparts. Officers were embedded into various command nodes and the Combat Training Centre(CTC) coaching team."

Maj Toganivalu said.

The two-yearly exercise is an opportunity to exercise high-end, multi-domain warfare capabilities, build and affirm military-to-military ties and interoperability, and strengthen strategic partnerships across the region. The Talisman Sabre 2023 includes Fiji, Australia, Indonesia, Japan, the Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, the United States of America, France, the United Kingdom, Canada, and Germany.

By: Pte L.Y Soro

VEILIUTAKI FRAMEWORK



Former CRFMF Rear-Admiral (Ret'd) Viliame Naupoto officiates the launch of the Veiliutaki Framework at the Pearl Resort in Deuba.
Photo by: Sgt R.K.Lal

The success of the RFMF, and consequently our national security hinges on effective leadership. The existing and emerging security challenges have prompted the RFMF to invigorate institutional leadership to achieve operational success. In 2019, the RFMF embarked on a journey with the assistance of the New Zealand Defence Forces to develop a leadership framework that can guide and strengthen leadership in the RFMF.

The RFMF leadership framework commonly known as the Veiliutaki Framework articulates the leadership behaviours, and the unique value that leaders add at all levels, which represent success in the RFMF. The Veiliutaki Framework is symbolised by the

Fijian Drua. The Drua represents the six Key Elements that make up the framework. The hull of the Drua represents the Ethos and Values of the RFMF, as it is the foundation. The four 'magimagi' on the Drua represents the Key Elements of Think Smart, Influence Others, Develop Teams and Develop Positive Culture which are crucial for the RFMF to enhance resilience and unity. The last Key Element, Mission Focussed is represented by the sail as it will guide the RFMF towards what success looks like with CRFMF at the helm.

The Veiliutaki Framework recognises the way in which leaders need to add value which also differs as they progress up through the leadership levels, therefore it includes value add statements unique to each leadership level. There are in total seven levels, with the first and foremost being Lead Self and the highest level being Lead Organisation. Courses are being designed and delivered for each

level that will arm leaders with skills and tools to fulfil the value adds.

To date, the RFMF has developed two courses associated with Lead Self and Lead Teams Levels. The former has been delivered 24 times and the latter has been delivered 4 times thus far. These courses are not only for junior ranks but are meant for all ranks within the RFMF noting that the Senior Leadership of the RFMF completed the Lead Organisation Course in Jun 2023.

The Veiliutaki Framework is a living document, and it is here to assist us in enhancing our leadership which is crucial for us to successfully achieve our operational objectives. This will not only help us to define our identity as a force but also align our identity with our reputation. You are being urged to find out more about the Veiliutaki Framework or attend a course. Let's join our senior leadership on the journey of leadership transformation.



By: Lt Col A. Kumar

FMS TAKES PROACTIVE MEASURES



*Army Medical Scheme Staff assisting RFMF soldiers at the Army Medical Scheme Office
Photo By: SSgt P. Waqaimoala*

The Force Medical Scheme (FMS) formerly known as Army Medical Scheme provides Group Medical and Life Cover to members of the Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF). In accordance with the authority vested in Part XIX, Section 4, and Subsection 19:44 of Vol 1 of the RFMF Standing Orders, The Commander RFMF (CRFMF) had directed that the RFMF Welfare Group Life and Medical Scheme be established with effect from 1 October 1991.

FMS main objective is to provide Life Cover for members with Next of Kin (NOK) and Health Cover of RFMF personnel and dependents in Fiji, on both In-patient and Out-patient basis.

In 2022, the FMS Management Board support its members by minimizing social security risks through the introduction of the Basic Life Cover of Fifty Thousand dollars (50K) for Regular Force (RF) and Territorial Forces (TF) members. Retirees are given the option of maintaining Life Cover of Ten Thousand dollars (10K) or alternatively increasing it to the basic cover as well.

FMS has taken a proactive stance to support George Mate Medical Center (GMMC) for annual Health Audit of members and

their families and this worthwhile exercise was extended and supported by Pinktober and Movember Health programs. This is an integral part of our health and wellness journey to enhance

our service to the nation and also support overseas commitment within the region and in the international arena.

FMS continue to work in collaboration with GMMC and other stakeholders to assist RFMF in its endeavour to improve service delivery and support to members and families. FMS is always aligning its role with the CRFMF intent for improve service delivery and support to members and families of the Force Medical Scheme.

By: Medical Scheme

RFMF Psychology Cell's Journey



Force Psychologist Sgt Nand facilitates a discussion concerning mental health at the Stanley Brown Naval Base at Walu Bay.

The RFMF Psychology Cell helps people with their emotions and problems in life. Life can be hard and make us feel stressed and anxious. The cell is like a safe place where people can get help and support.

They have experts who listen and talk to individuals and families. They teach ways to deal with

feelings and become stronger.

The cell also does workshops for groups of people to talk about mental health. They share stories and learn from each other. They give tools to handle stress better. When things get really tough, the cell can help with crisis situations and teach ways to be strong even

ALMS Project to Modernize RFMF Logistics Standard

when things are bad.

They know that mental health is important for families too, so they offer counseling to help families understand and heal together. They want everyone to know that asking for help is brave, not weak. Taking care of our emotions is as important as taking care of our bodies.

Privacy is really important at the cell. Everything you say is kept private. The leader of the cell, Sergeant Sheemal Nand, and the team are here to help you. You don't have to face problems alone. The cell is here to help you have a happier and healthier life.

Remember, you don't have to do everything by yourself. The RFMF Psychology Cell is here to support you and help you grow. It's okay to ask for help, and you deserve to do well. You can start by reaching out to the cell, where a caring team is ready to guide you to a better future.

By: LCpl P. Vakacemena



Director Finance, Logistics, and Acquisition Navy Captain Lepani Vaniqi delivers the opening address for the first ALMS course this year. Photo by: Cpl T. Rasiga

The Automated Logistics Management System (ALMS) Project is part of the Logistics Transformation Program (LTP) aimed at modernizing RFMF's logistics services to be in par with international defence logistics best practices and standards in supporting military operations. The LTP consists of 3 projects – Policy Review; Systems Automation; and Integrated Logistics which involves Warehouse and Distribution operations.

The primary objective of the ALMS Project is to automate RFMF's logistics system since the current paper-centric process is archaic and fails to meet the desired efficiency and effectiveness standard expected in this contemporary logistics environment. The new digitized system will enhance transparency, accountability, and visibility thus promoting good governance

and efficacy in supply chain management. The Project also provides the ideal platform for RFMF to prepare for government's planned transition from Cash to Accrual Accounting.

The Project is governed by the ALMS Project Committee which is chaired by DFLA and operates three teams - Logistics, IT (Software Developers, Hardware) and Policy. The core of the Project consists of 5 modules: Module 1 – Food & Ration; Module 2 – Clothing; Module 3 – Transport; Module 4 – Assets & Inventories; Module 5 – Warehouse. Except for the Warehouse, all modules are progressing well with parallel trial runs (of both the manual and automated systems) scheduled to be effected before the end of this year.

By: ALMS Team

Female Soldiers Enroll in TTS



L-R: Sapper (Spr) Elenoa Niumataiwalu and Spr Glorlah Grace are the first female personnel to join the Engineers Trade Training School in the history of the RFMF. Photo by: LCpl S. Koba

The Republic of Fiji Military Forces Engineers Regiment has opened a new chapter in its history after admitting two female soldiers to the Regiments Trade Training School (TTS) this year, 2023.

These two females were the first to be selected to learn carpentry, block laying, and plastering in the engineers trade school after 49 years of the school's establishment.

Sapper (Spr) Glorlah Adi Grace and Sapper (Spr) Elenoa Niumataiwalu were recently posted to the school after graduating from the First Basic Recruit Course (BRC) this year at the Force Training Group (FTG) in Nasinu.

In an exclusive interview with Mataivalu news, the two personnel stated that they were happy to be part of the training and were proud to be the first female Sappers to undergo training with the TTS. Spr Niumataiwalu said that regardless of the challenges

ahead, she was determined that they will complete the training.

“We are really excited and proud to be included into the training as first females. We understand that we will face challenges along the way but we will do our best to accomplish what required of us in this one year and complete the course.” Spr Niumataiwalu said.

However, TTS Senior Instructor Warrant Officer Class Two (WO2) Esala Donu stated that his senior officers had given the green light for the two females to undergo training on the Fiji National University (FNU) academic qualification for carpentry, block laying, and plastering.

WO 2 Donu further mentioned that, the two will and so as the rest of the course will come across work under pressure in performing during the course and at the same-time carry out regimental duties.

“TTS is not an ordinary course; it is a course that requires full attention as it becomes a trade later on for our participants. The two females and so as the rest of the course will face challenges and will have to work well with time to balance their role as a student and also as a Sapper in the Engineers regiment . . .we will ensure that everyone will not only complete this training; but complete it with the highest standards.” WO2 Donu said.

According to Lieutenant Mohammed, the TTS Training Officer (TO) said school was male-dominant before 1988 and changes were implemented during the leadership this year to include females in the force. Lt Mohammed said that this would greatly empower women and promote gender equality in the RFMF.

By: Ssgt Wagaimoala

SBLT Sokoilagi Embraces Challengers

Sub-lieutenant (SBLT) Mereseini Sokoilagi is breaking barriers as a female naval officer in the Republic of Fiji Military Forces. Despite surprising her family and friends with her decision to pursue a career in the navy, she never looked back and embarked on an inspiring journey. The Fiji Navy's dedication to duty and service, combined with unique opportunities for learning and travel, have fueled her passion for the profession.

As a woman in the male dominated institution, SBLT Sokoilagi has overcome obstacles they face is the lack of female representation in the Fiji Navy, with only two commissioned junior officers. Finding suitable mentors and role models becomes challenging, making it essential for female officers to support and guide each other throughout their naval careers.

Achieving a work-life balance poses another hurdle for female officers. Demanding deployments

and overseas courses can limit the time they can spend with their families, adding complexity to managing personal and professional commitments.

Despite the challenges, being part of the Fiji Navy offers continuous learning and skill development opportunities, including leadership, critical thinking, problem-solving, and effective communication. Serving in the navy instills vital qualities such as resilience, discipline, adaptability, and perseverance.

The Fiji Navy is known for its physically and mentally demanding environment, which underscores the importance of developing a strong mindset and adaptability to handle different situations. Pushing oneself and staying motivated are key factors in thriving within this field.

SBLT Sokoilagi encourages women to be confident, assertive, and steadfast in their abilities.

Embracing the challenges and striving for success is crucial in this male-dominated domain.

SBLT Sokoilagi's remarkable journey in the Fiji Navy exemplifies the dedication and determination required to break barriers and create a more inclusive and diverse naval force.

Her passion for service and commitment to her country's maritime security serve as an inspiration to aspiring female officers and a testament to the transformative power of women in the armed forces.

SBLT Sokoilagi's is a Navigator on board Republic of Fiji Navy Ship (RFNS) Savenaca and is responsible for chart and route planning.

By: Sgt R. Lal



Sub-Lieutenant Mereseini Sokoilagi's family farewells her as she leaves our shores on board RFNS Savenaca for Exercise Kakadu in Australia. Photo: Fiji Navy Media

RFMF's Impact on Youth Development through Cadetship Training

The Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) has contributed to the nurturing of current and future leaders of Fiji, from overall discipline to leadership skills, starting at the grassroots level through cadetship training. The focus of this form of training is to provide a structured and disciplined environment where youths can grow, learn, and develop essential skills that, in return, benefit the students personally and contribute to their overall development.

Queen Victoria School (QVS) is one of the many schools that have actively conducted cadetship training in Fiji, and recently held its pass-out parade, which was officiated by the Honorable Prime Minister and former Old Boy Sitiveni Rabuka. In an exclusive interview with Mataivalu News, the school principal, Mr. Timoci Vosailagi, said that he appreciated the assistance rendered by the RFMF, which was highly commended by the relevant stakeholders of the school.

“As Principal of the school, I observed that the officers from RFMF’s FTG participated extremely well above our expectations in terms of high discipline, commitment to their responsibilities, imparting a disciplined attitude towards our students, quality drill delivery sessions throughout the week, and cordial work relations with our staff and school community,” Mr. Vosailagi said.

“Their effort has immensely contributed to the high level of performance of our students during barracks week, especially



The Colour Party of QVS with their new ceremonial colours marches pass the chief guest at the Nukuvuto grounds during the schools pass-out parade. Photo by: LCpl L.Asela

the passing out parade drill performance of our students . . . we have confirmed that the 2023 barracks week was the best ever to be observed here at the Vulinituraga.”

Mr. Vosailagi also stated that the training greatly impacted the students’ general discipline and has been an eye-opener for some students who may later pursue a career in the military.

In addition to this, QVS Head Boy and Baton of Honor recipient Josese Tawake said that it was an honor to lead as the parade commander for the pass-out parade and a privilege to have received the award from the

honorable PM. Tawake said that the instructors had taught him the importance of attitude, time management, teamwork, and becoming an effective leader.

This year’s cadet passout was a significant one for QVS as they commissioned their new ceremonial color, which replaced the old color, that was presented 70 years ago by Ratu Sir Lala Sukuna. The event marks a new era for QVS, its Old Boys, friends and family.

By: LCpl L. Asela

Navigating Challenges and Finding Strength on First TOD



LCpl Lyndon O'Brien conducts sentry duty at the UN Camp in Tamimi.

"I've learned so much about my rank and have gained a lot of experience as a peacekeeper." These were the words of 32-year-old Lance Corporal (LCpl) Lyndon O'Brien, who is on his first tour on duty as a Section Commander with the Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF) Fiji Guard Unit (FGU), operating under the United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI).

LCpl O'Brien entered the peacekeeping theater on the 24 of December, 2022 and went straight into quarantine as safety measure implemented by the UN to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. With this in place, alongside the growing political tension in Iraq, LCpl O'Brien said that he knew it would be a difficult time for him and his comrades.

"My time in Iraq was full of memories that I will never forget. When we arrived, we had to go through quarantine. We saw many

things happening around us. Iraq's politics had good and bad times. I was part of a section, and we faced a lot of tough situations. This did not deter me or my comrades, as we still managed to continue our tasks required from us by the United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS). This experience taught me about my duties, how to manage time, and how to work as a team." LCpl O'Brien said.

Notwithstanding all this, LCpl O'Brien said that facing those challenges also helped him, as a section commander, adjust to any type of situation. He said that this was a crucial aspect of being a section commander.

"I've learned so much about my rank. With the changes in situations that we face here, it is important to be good at managing people, handling time well, and being a link between higher- and lower-ranking soldiers. Taking

responsibility is really important too, and I have learnt so much during my first tour here in Iraq," LCpl O'Brien said.

"I joined this mission to gain experience and get better at my role. I was in charge of navigating challenges and finding strength in my section and I know that I have met the responsibilities and role of a section commander . . . it was all about making the team work together."

When asked about what kept the Lance Corporal motivated when encountering these challenges, he said that his family kept him going every day and was fortunate to keep in touch with them regularly. LCpl O'Brien also acknowledged the command and his comrades team for their endless support and said that his first time experience as a peacekeeper is one that he will never forget.



Pte Tamanitoakula and LCpl O'Brien prepare for sentry duty in Iraq.

By: Cpl R. Tumoi