Good afternoon,

I have been actively watching the hearings on the study of hiring veterans For public service positions and as a military spouse i feel as though i have to say something especially given the testimony on Monday may 6th that i hope you will share with the members of the committee.

Firstly i do not know why the supposed "interim" dnd/caf ombudsman even appeared before the committee as i didnt find he added anything of value. Clearly he doesnt know his mandate. He did not really acknowledge how much focus his predecessor, Mr. Gary Walbourne, placed on transition, service attribution and priority hiring. Which i found to be disrespectful to not only his predecessor but to that Office that does so much for their clients. For example, he produced several reports about transitioning issues facing members including one specifically to priority hiring: (Note: Also, the recommendations that Mr Dalton provided specifically the last one has already been recommended in the reports mentioned below, so really nothing new.

- - CAF best positioned to Determine Public Service Priority Hiring for Releasing Members
- Determining Service Attribution for Medically Releasing Members
- Submission to Defence Policy Review
- Simplifying the Service Delivery Model for Medically Releasing Members of the CAF
- Determining Service Attribution for Medically Releasing Members

not including countless testimonies in front of NDDN, ACVA and the senate committees with respect to priority hiring and the impact that service attribution can have on a releasing member. If you would like i can provide.

i kept track of Mr. Walbourne's testimonies and recommendations in his reports mainly because they were straight forward and easy to implement and he was the only person in the system whereby I and many military members can sense his frustration through the screen and as part of my academic research.

Mr. Lick passively spoke of the DND's "work" on the "Transition Group". the reason the transition group was stood up, was the pressure Mr. Walbourne was putting, in my opinion, on the system and i'm not sure how much exposure you have on that "project" its basically the same recommendations as above. That said, word on the ground, typical DND style, quick to take something on, no idea on how to implement.

for the sake of not being repetitive, and more tax payers money, and for the sake of military members, if you haven't already, please review these documents and his testimonies and media articles. For the sake of not living up to more of the stereotype of the government reinventing the wheel. If you have already done so my apologies for the long-winded email.

thank you for your time,

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