

Graham Muir

Assistant Commissioner, Royal Canadian Mounted Police



Assistant Commissioner Muir was a soldier before becoming a police officer. He served five years with the Canadian Armed Forces Reserve Infantry before joining the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) in 1975. Following recruit training he was posted to Surrey Detachment in British Columbia where he spent eight years involved in municipal policing, both as a uniformed general duty constable and on plainclothes assignments. While in BC he completed graduate studies at Simon Fraser University, convocating in 1982 with a Masters Degree in Criminology.

In 1983 A/Commr. Muir was transferred to National Headquarters, Ottawa, where he was engaged in early research and writing in furtherance of the RCMP's commitment to community policing. Having spent two years at the Canadian Police College, A/Commr. Muir returned to operational policing duties in the National Capital Region where he served on various federal enforcement units, including a one-year secondment to the Ottawa Police Service. On two occasions over intervening years, A/Commr. Muir was called back to Headquarters for brief assignments.

His first international deployment occurred in 1993 as a civilian police monitor and detachment commander with the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in the Former Yugoslavia. In 2002, having spent five years as a senior investigator and detective inspector with the National Capital Region's Commercial Crime Section, A/Commr. Muir was selected to lead the RCMP's National Learning & Development Program.

In 2005 the Governor General of Canada appointed A/Commr. Muir as a Member of the Order of Police Forces. He went on to accept a one-year posting as Police Commissioner for the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH). He returned to Ottawa's National Headquarters to lead its Strategic Policy and Planning Directorate. Just before assuming duties as Canadian Police Commander of the Civilian Police Mission in Afghanistan, 2009-10, A/Commr. took on a temporary assignment in Bamako, Mali, as part of an integrated Canadian team that secured the release of two Canadian citizens held hostage by an extremist faction in north-west Africa. After a full year in Afghanistan, balancing mission priorities between Kabul and Kandahar, A/Commr. returned to Ottawa and retirement from active service.

A/Commr. Muir is the son of Richard E. Muir, Superintendent retired, RCMP. He has been married for thirty-four years to his bride, Corleen, and is the proud father of Ross and Dianna Muir. A/Commr. Muir is the Band Officer and a journeyman piper with the RCMP Pipes & Drums of the National Capital Region.