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HISTORY OF THE CAPE BRETON HIGHLANDERS



Let our motto be: THE BOOK DESERVES TO BE WRITTEN

At the regular meeting of the Association held in Sydney, 26

January 1992, a motion was passed giving approval to Lt. Col. Alex Morrison MSC CD MA (assisted by Col. Ted Slaney CD) to prepare a history of the CBH for publication early in 1995.



The success which the Association had in getting the monument (all bills paid), was mentioned as a note of encouragement on the question. We are including a short biography on Alex Morrison to acquaint you with the man who is to be the author of the history: we do not feel that Ted Slaney, who will be co-author, needs any introduction (both men are Cape Bretoners).

Here are some comments from Alex Morrison.

"I understand you would like the history to be ready for 1995. That allows plenty of time and we should aim for a publication date of early 1995."



"It should be an all-appealing book - a combination of pictures, text, poems and whatever else strikes our fancy, such as those you left behind in Canada, the wives, children, parents, brothers and sisters."

"We must decide on the dimensions...whether of coffee table size or smaller. This is to be a work that will appeal to the general public as well, there is a good market in Canada for unit and regimental histories and we should aim for a large number of public sales."

"The idea is to pay tribute to the CBH and to do it with style and taste."

"There is the matter of costs...a lot can be done through the mail and by telephone, and expenses will run up quickly. There will be other expenses, perhaps for research in Ottawa. If the CBH Association should approve, there should be room for a small expense allowance."

"We can sort out later how we

would finance the printing of the book. One way is to sell copies in advance at a slight discount. That is the method that has been followed by others. It would not take that many advance sales to pay for most of the printing."

CBH History Account

On the question, permission was also given to the Secretary/Treasurer, Bill Metcalfe, to send out a special newsletter outlining the approval, and to request donations from the members towards establishing an account for this purpose. We would request a minimum donation of \$20.00 from each member at this time to start the account at once. You may donate more if you so wish - there will be need for more as the work progresses.

MEMORABILIA

Some of you have sent in brief histories, diaries, etc, all of which have already been made available to Ted and Alex. If others have things to offer they can send them direct to Alex, whose address is included in his bio.





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ALEX MORRISON, MSC, CD, MA
Executive Director/Directeur Général

Alex Morrison, Executive Director

Alex Morrison, MSC, CD, MA was appointed Executive Director of the CISS in June of 1989 after a distinguished career as a military officer and as a diplomat.

Prior to coming to the CISS, Mr. Morrison was Minister-Counsellor at the Canadian Mission to the United Nations where he served from 1983 to 1989 with special responsibility for matters concerning international security, arms control and disarmament, and peacekeeping.

In addition, he was a member of the Security Council delegation (1989), Rapporteur-General of the 1987 International Conference on the Relationship Between Disarmament and Development, President of the International Year of Peace Pledging Conference, Vice-President of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, and he represented Canada on The Ad Hoc Committee on the Indian Ocean as a Zone of Peace. During the 43rd session of the General Assembly, Mr. Morrison was Chairman of the Barton Group, an arms control body comprising twenty western nations.

Mr. Morrison is a graduate of Mount Allison University (B.A.), Royal Military College of Canada (M.A.), and Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College. He was a faculty member of the Canadian Forces College and has taught at the post-graduate level at Columbia University, New York, and at the undergraduate level at Glendon College of York University, at York University (main), and at The Royal Military College of Canada. He has lectured widely to universities, corporations and public interest groups in Canada, the United States, and countries abroad including Singapore, Costa Rica and Japan.

Mr. Morrison is the author of *The Voice of Defence: The History of the Conference of Defence Associations*; Editor of: *Nuclear Strategy in the 90s. Deterrence, Defence, and Disarmament*, *The Canadian Strategic Forecast: 1990, and 1991*; *International Security in a Changing Global Order*, and *Peacekeeping, Peacemaking or War: International Security Enforcement*. He is a former Associate Editor of *The Canadian Defence Quarterly* and is a frequent contributor to newspapers and magazines.

During his military career Mr. Morrison served in Canada, Cyprus, USA, and the Federal Republic of Germany.

On November 15th, 1989, he was decorated with the Meritorious Service Cross by the Governor-General in recognition of his work on behalf of Canada at the United Nations.

His diplomatic, military and academic experience have kept Mr. Morrison very much in demand as a media analyst and public speaker. He is invited regularly to appear on nationwide news and current affairs programmes such as *The Journal*, *The National*, and *Canada AM* as well as on various regional and local media.