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**MGen (Ret'd) Dave Wheeler is the Director of U.S. Government Relations for the Canadian Commercial Corporation.**

He is responsible for managing the defence relationship, including business development, with the Government of the United-States of America.

Prior to this role, Mr. Wheeler served a distinguished 33-year career in the Canadian Armed Forces retiring as a Major General. He held multiple senior-level positions, most recently as Deputy Vice Chief of the Defence Staff in 2017.

Mr. Wheeler joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1984 following the completion of a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of New Brunswick. He graduated from Air Command and Staff College in Montgomery, Alabama where he also completed a Master of Public Administration from Auburn University. He also attended the Advanced Military Studies Program and the National Securities Program both at Canadian Force College Toronto. A fighter pilot by trade, he has accumulated over 4000 hours, with the majority flown on the CF18.

Mr. Wheeler has completed numerous command tours at the Squadron, Wing, and Division level, most recently as Commander 1 Canadian Air Division and Canadian NORAD Region in Winnipeg. He has conducted overseas tours as the Deputy Director of the Air Operations Coordination Cell in ISAF HQ in Afghanistan, and as Director of the CENTCOM Combined Air Operations Centre in Qatar.

Mr. Wheeler is married to Dorothy who are proud parents to Holly, Connor, and Clyde.