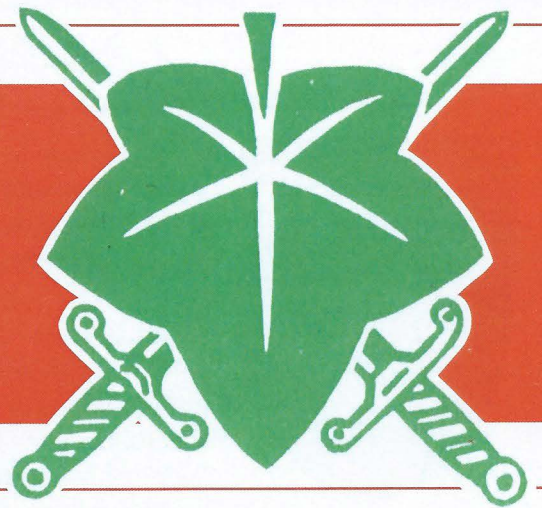
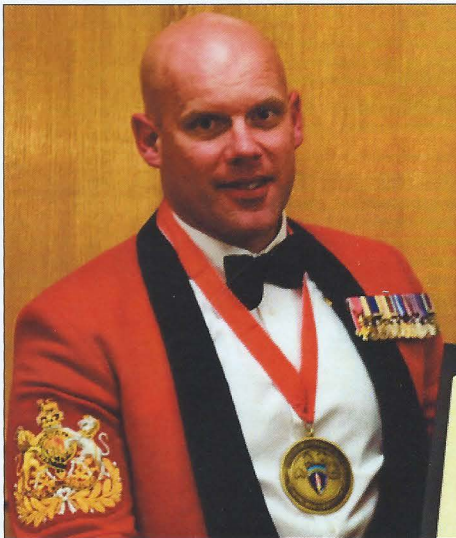


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## The New SEAC



In March 2015 Warrant Officer I Glenn Haughton, OBE previously Regimental Sergeant Major, 1st Battalion, Grenadier Guards and Academy Sergeant Major at the RMA, Sandhurst was appointed to the newly-created post of Army Sergeant Major, the British Army's senior warrant officer. Taken in May last year by Staff Sergeant Tamika Dillard, U.S. Army Europe, WO I Haughton is shown in mess dress wearing the Army Sergeant Major's new rank badge.

In November last year WOI Haughton was appointed to another newly-created role, that of Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chief of Staff's Committee, a post that revives the abbreviation SEAC, long associated with the Second World War's South East Asia Command. The SEAC's role is to advise the Chiefs of Staff Committee, contribute to policy and decision making, and "bring the perspective of the Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Junior Ranks". The position echoes that of the Senior Enlisted Advisor to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

(also SEAC), the most senior non-commissioned or petty officer in the United States Armed Forces. The adoption of this similar role probably accounts for the use of "enlisted", a word not previously used in the British Army to describe its Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Junior Ranks.

Thanks to **Gary Gibbs** we can show the rank badges for these new posts. As far as Gary knows only two sets of these badges exist, those worn by the post-holders and those shown. They are backed with scarlet on mess dress, red on dark navy blue for the greatcoat, on a dark blue backing for No 1 Dress, on khaki for No 2 Dress.

