

Letter to the Globe re Arbour report

After three major reports in seven years on misconduct in the Canadian military, all with concrete recommendations, the time for action is now (Military should give up control -May 31, 2022). Any delay to accept and implement Judge Arbour's recommendations is unacceptable.

Our Government must immediately ensure that procedures are developed as they are critical to the lives of enlisted women. The transfer of sexual assault cases to the civilian court system is a good start. Taken within the context of the other recommendations, this will assure Canadians that change is a real objective and not simply part of the rhetoric

It is imperative that a comprehensive review of officer formation in the colleges in Ontario and Quebec must be undertaken without delay. The hostile culture of sexual assault, harassment, and misconduct starts here and must end here. The mandate of these colleges must reflect a significant change in the culture so these egregious practices can be eradicated.

Canadians should expect nothing less.

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