

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Canadian Flag lowered to half-mast at Nanaimo City Hall**

*City honours Canadian Forces personnel killed during terror attacks*

#### **Summary**

The Canadian Flag at City Hall has been lowered to half-mast in honour of Canadian Forces reservist, Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, of the Argylls of Canada-91st Canadian Highlanders who was shot in Ottawa October 22 while standing sentry at the National War Memorial and Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent of the Joint Personnel Support Unit at the Integrated Personnel Support Centre who died after being hit by a car during a terror attack in St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, October 20.

*Strategic Link:* N/A

#### **Key Points**

- Nanaimo has joined many cities across Canada in marking the tragic events occurring against Canadian Forces personnel this week.
- The Canadian flag will be raised following the forthcoming funerals.

#### **Quotes**

"Today our thoughts are with Canadian Forces personnel, their families, the citizens of Ottawa and the citizens St-Jean-sur-Richelieu. As well, our gratitude is extended to all men and women who serve to protect Canadians, our rights, our freedoms and our system of government."

John Ruttan  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

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