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24 APPOINTMENT OF CORPS REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR

1. It has been decided to appoint a representative Regimental Sergeant Major, who will be responsible for centralised events involving Warrant Officers and Senior Non Commissioned Officers and upon whom the Commandant General can call for advice should he so desire. The Warrant Officer so appointed will be called the Corps Regimental Sergeant Major (Corps RSM).
2. The Corps RSM will be appointed by the Commandant General Royal Marines, having taken account of the seniority and employment of all WO1s in the Corps, and of their time remaining to serve. His duties will be additional to his main employment, and the incumbent will therefore normally be selected from amongst WO1s serving other than in Commando units.
3. The Corps RSM will have the following responsibilities:
 - a. He will be responsible for convening RSM seminars and for formulating the agenda - in consultation with Department of the Commandant General Royal Marines. He will chair the seminar, produce minutes and, if appropriate, nominate RSMs and/or WO1s to represent any specific issues through the chain of command.
 - b. He will be responsible for the organisation of centralised Sergeants' Mess activities, such as the reception following Beat Retreat.
4. The Corps RSM is to be available to advise CGRM from time to time on matters of Corps interest and is to call upon CGRM as directed. As a minimum, this will include calls:
 - a. Upon taking up and relinquishing the appointment of Corps RSM.
 - b. Prior to and after an RSMs' seminar.
5. The Corps RSM will be called upon to advise the Corps Dress Committee when WO, NCO and Marine uniform matters are being considered.
6. The Commandant General Royal Marines has selected WO1(RSM) D M Stollery to serve as the first Corps RSM with effect from 1 January 1989.