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## Anniversary message from Minister of Veterans Affairs

Congratulations to the Royal Canadian Legion on its Diamond Jubilee! We are celebrating another important milestone in the history of an organization representing "service" at its very best.

As a long-time member myself, I have enjoyed the camaraderie that is such an enjoyable part of Legion branch life. I have also seen first-hand the immense amount of work the Legion and its Ladies Auxiliaries donate to the life of so many communities across Canada. People of all ages have had reason to be thankful for the unselfish efforts of so many thousands of Legion volunteers.

As Minister of Veterans Affairs, I am well aware of the way The Legion has helped to fashion some of the best veterans' legislation in the world - and continues to do so.

I am particularly grateful for the manner in which the Legion has supported the government's insistence on speed, generosity and courtesy in its treatment of veterans and their families. Service officers have been very conscientious in relaying details about the changes we have made. The Legion has been most generous in allowing my officials to use their branch premises for information sessions. Such co-operation is a tremendous help.

Canadian veterans are a very special group indeed. The Legion, both nationally and locally, represents those qualities and traditions which served our country so well in wartime. My anniversary wish is that the "Sons and Daughters" of Legion veterans carry these traditions triumphantly into the future.

Happy 60th birthday, Legion. Canada is very proud of you.

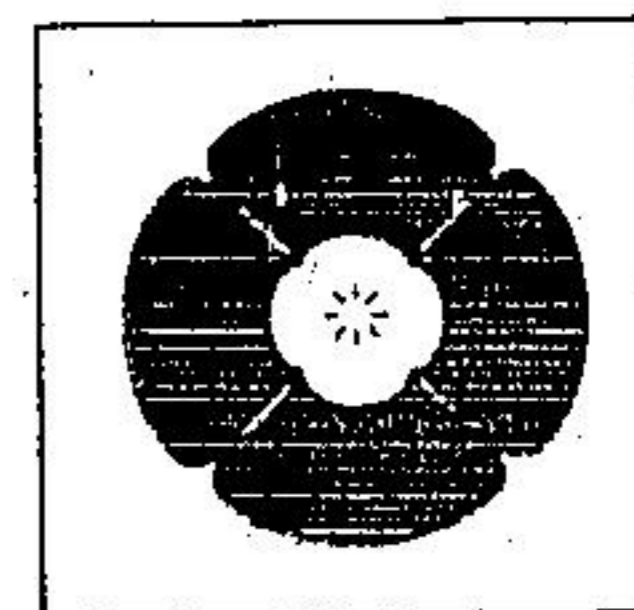
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