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13 September, 2016

Dear Canadian Armed Forces Long-Term Disability (CAF LTD) Claimant,

As announced in the Government of Canada 2016 Budget, the percentage used in the calculation of Earnings Loss Benefits (ELB) payable by Veterans Affairs Canada (VAC) under the *The Canadian Forces Members and Veterans Re-establishment and Compensation Act* will be increased from 75% to 90%, effective 1 October 2016. This higher rate will be paid to Veterans who are determined to have a service related condition and a rehabilitation need, as defined by VAC.

As a CAF LTD claimant, I am hereby advising you that you may be eligible for a top-up to 90% under VAC ELB. You are asked to contact VAC to obtain more information regarding VAC's Rehabilitation and Vocational Assistance Program and ELB, online at www.veterans.gc.ca, by visiting a local VAC office, or by calling VAC at 1-866-522-2122. VAC will also guide you as to the steps to take in order to determine if you are eligible for a potential top-up.

Please find attached to this letter a separate information sheet containing key pieces of information about your particular LTD benefits. This sheet will be useful to both yourself and VAC in evaluating your eligibility for a potential top-up, and the amount that you may receive.

If you are already eligible for the VAC ELB, you can submit your information by sending a copy of the attached information sheet to the address below, or by uploading the documents using My VAC Account at veterans.gc.ca. Please note your VAC file number on any documentation you send.

Veterans Affairs Canada
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If you do not have an account with VAC or if you have any questions, you may contact VAC at 1-866-522-2122 (toll-free).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J.H. Vance", with a stylized flourish at the end.

J.H. Vance
General