



ANNOUNCEMENT – LIEUTENANT GENERAL PETER LEAHY APPOINTED TO THE CODAN BOARD

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Codan Limited is very pleased to announce the appointment of Lieutenant General Peter Leahy to its Board, effective 19 September 2008.

Lieutenant General Peter Leahy, AC retired from the Army, as Chief of Army, in July 2008. During his 37 year career he served in a wide variety of command, training, research and strategic appointments in Australia and overseas.

During his 6 year appointment as Chief of Army, the Army had its busiest operational period since the Vietnam War with multiple, concurrent, large scale, war fighting deployments to Afghanistan and Iraq and complex stabilization deployments to East Timor and The Solomon Islands.

His formal duties as Chief of Army were to advise the Government and Chief of the Defence Force on Army matters and to raise, train and sustain the Army. He was involved in the preparation of defence strategic assessments and plans, the development of Army capabilities and the maintenance of Army preparedness. He was also responsible for the leadership of the Army and the maintenance of professional standards within the Army.

As well as being Chairman of Army's senior board he was also a member of the Defence Committee, the Chiefs of Service Committee, the Council of the Australian War Memorial and the Defence Housing Authority.

Among his qualifications he holds a BA (Military Studies) a Masters of Military Arts and Science and is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

"General Leahy brings with him a wealth of valuable and relevant experience to the Codan board" Codan's chairman Dr. David Klingner said today. "Codan is entering security, protection and military markets for its communications products in addition to the aid and humanitarian markets we already serve. Recent acquisition Minelab offers metal detection products to both aid and military organisations for clearance of mines and unexploded ordinance. General Leahy has first hand strategic insights into the new roles and challenges emerging for military organisations today, spanning the spectrum from aid and disaster relief to front line military operations."

Codan is an international leader in remote area communications and metal detection equipment, manufacturing and marketing a diversified range of products and systems for the international high frequency radio, satellite and consumer and countermine metal detection markets.

Its products can be found in over 150 countries. Codan customers include the United Nations, Red Cross, and the US government.

The Board welcomes General Leahy.

On behalf of the Board


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