CV Brigadier KD Sharifi OBE



Brigadier (Khashi) Sharifi was commissioned into The Queen's Royal Lancers in 1995 and has served at Regimental duty in both armoured and reconnaissance roles. He has filled the usual plethora of Regimental appointments, which included periods deployed on Op PALATINE in Bosnia, Op TOSCA in Cyprus and as commander of the Viking Group on Op HERRICK in Afghanistan.

Brigadier Sharifi's staff employment has included two tours of the Permanent Joint Headquarters (PJHQ). Whilst at PJHQ he served on both the Middle East Operations Team and Afghanistan Operations Team; as well as having the opportunity to deploy to Afghanistan on Op DAMIAN and as PJHQ LO to Multi-National Division (South East)) during Op TELIC in Iraq. His SO1 staff appointment saw him returning to the Joint Services Command and Staff College (JSCSC), where he was employed as Directing Staff (DS) on the Advanced Command and Staff Course (ACSC), prior to taking up the role of SO1 Campaigning.

Having completed his Lt Col command appointment at the Army Foundation College he again deployed to Afghanistan where he was employed in HQ ISAF; initially fulfilling the role of COS to the NATO Senior Civilian Representative, after which he 'stood up' the HQ ISAF Election Support Cell, and thereafter acted as its Deputy. On completion of his operational tour Brigadier Sharifi was assigned to the Army Headquarters where he was employed as Assistant Head for Capability Strategy. During this period he had the opportunity to attend the Higher Command and Staff Course; as well as acting as the principle staff officer, responsible directly to the Chief of the General Staff (CGS), for the post Strategic Defence Review 2015 restructuring of the British Army, and for which he was awarded the OBE.

Brigadier Sharifi lays claim to a modicum of educational capacity. He gained his BA in Politics and Philosophy from the University of Hull and later gaining an MA in Defence Management and Technology from Cranfield University. For the past two and half years has been engaged in PhD research into the effects of organisational culture on institutions' ability to conceive and execute strategic change, which has been conducted with King's College London. He is currently in the process of completing the first draft of his PhD Thesis.

Brigadier Sharifi has been married to Judy for the last 18 years, they have two sons: Barney aged 14 and Ru(pert) aged 13.

He assumed the appointment of Head of Defence Concepts at the United Kingdom's Development, Concepts and Doctrine Centre on the 1st of January 2019.