<u>Scottish Secretary Alistair Jack marks</u> 2020 Armed Forces Week

News story

This year's annual celebration of the UK's military community is also marking 75 years since the end of the Second World War in Europe.



Scotland Secretary Alister Jack said:

"Beginning today [Monday 22 June], Armed Forces Week sees the whole country unite to celebrate and say thanks to our military community of service personnel, reserves, veterans, cadets and families — for their unwavering commitment in helping keep us safe.

"While this year's celebrations will, by and large, be virtual due to coronavirus, this does not diminish it's importance, with 2020 being 75 years since the end of the Second World War in Europe, followed by the end of the War in the Far East.

"As we are all too aware, this year the UK and the rest of the world have been embroiled in a new battle — against coronavirus. The UK's military have been front and centre in that fight, providing additional specialist skills and expertise in Scotland.

"On behalf of the whole of the country, I would like to offer heartfelt thanks to them all."

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