



KAVANAGH, Stewart

Stewart Kavanagh was born and raised in Lancashire, United Kingdom. He worked for the Local Council in Rochdale for a short period before joining the British Army – the Coldstream Guards. Kavanagh later joined the Hong Kong Police Force and was posted to various positions and locations. At the time of the interview he had been residing in Hong Kong for 50 years. Kavanagh speaks fluent Cantonese.

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Relates his father's background, marriage and family life during the Great Depression and Second World War. Recounts his own decision to apply for the Hong Kong Police Force and describes his life at the training school in Aberdeen. Kavanagh also discusses his Cantonese learning process and his immersion into the Chinese culture. He also mentions the 1967 riots, the Peter Godber case and his own work experience at the Marine Police Headquarters.

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