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Prince harry has confirmed he will not resume royal duties.

Published: 00:00 BST, 9 June 2018 | Updated: 19:33 BST, 9 June 2018 A Sikh Coldstream Guard has become the first soldier to wear a turban at Trooping the Colour today as hundreds of servicemen march to honour The Queen.More than 1,000 soldiers are taking part in the ceremony today which marks the Queen's official birthday as the nation celebrates the monarch.For Guardsman Charanpreet Singh Lall, 22, the event is not only his first Trooping the Colour, but also marks the first time a member of the Coldstream Guards has taken part wearing a turban.Coldstream Guards soldier Charanpreet Singh Lall has made history by becoming the first person to wear a Sikh headdress at Trooping the Colour The 22-year-old soldier from Leicester wore a black turban featuring the ceremonial cap star to match the bearskin hats He said he hopes it will 'signal a change' and encourage people from other religions and different backgrounds, that they will be encouraged to join the Army.'He wore a black turban featuring the ceremonial cap star to match the bearskin hats. Gdsm Lall joined the British Army in January 2016 but was born in Punjab, India, and moved to the UK as a baby.Charanpreet Singh Lall is one of more than 1,000 soldiers taking part in the ceremony today which marks the Queen's official birthday 'It is a good feeling... there's going to be a lot of eyes and I am going to have an influence on other people.'Trooping the Colour originated from traditional preparations for battle.Colours, or flags, were carried, or 'trooped', down the ranks so they could be seen and recognised by the soldiers.In the 18th century, guards from the Royal palaces assembled daily on Horse Guards to 'troop the colours', and in 1748 it was announced the parade would also mark the Sovereign's official birthday. Can I march too? A fox almost steals the show during the Trooping the Colour ceremony at The Royal Horseguards in London after running behind parading soldiers The colour being paraded in the traditional display of pomp and pageantry this year is the flag of the 1st Battalion Coldstream GuardsIts that a birthday smile? Her Majesty takes her place in the Royal carriage in celebration of her official 92nd birthday today Royals assemble: The whole family gather on the balcony of Buckingham Palace to watch the RAF flypast and wave to the crowds Harry and Meghan joined members of the monarchy on Buckingham Palace's balcony to watch the RAF flypast and acknowledge the crowds. It is the first time Meghan has stepped out on to the balcony for any ceremonial occasionO you two! Prince William gives a stern look as Savannah Phillips (daughter of Peter and Autumn Phillips) covers Prince George of Cambridge's mouth during the National Anthem All smiles: Kate, Meghan and Camilla share a laugh on the Buckingham Palace balcony Little fascas! Princess Charlotte, Savannah Phillips and Prince George giggled while watching the flypast overhead But they weren't smiling for long as a teary Charlotte could be seen cuddling into her mother with a scowl on her faceAll better: A visibly upset Princess Charlotte got a cuddle from Kate before returning to Savannah's side for the rest of the ceremony Tens of thousands of spectators flocked to Whitehall to join in on the Queen's official 92nd birthday and see the royals mingle on the balcony Fresh from their showstopping wedding three weeks ago, Meghan and Prince Harry paid tribute to the Queen at the spectacular Trooping The Colour ceremony today Her Majesty takes her place in the Royal carriage in celebration of her official 92nd birthday today. Royal watchers will be glad of her appearance, following her minor surgery to successfully remove a cataract. The moment RAF pilots got into formation and performed the flypast in front of the royal family who watched from the balcony of Buckingham Palace The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge arrive in a vintage Rolls Royce Phantom together this morning. Prince William stepped out in full military ceremonial regalia alongside Kate who wowed in a sophisticated teal dress The Duchess of Cambridge and the Duchess of Cornwall take their place in the Queen's carriage procession, which celebrate's Her Majesty's official 92nd birthdayAfter the ceremony the royal family will head back to Buckingham Palace and gather on the balcony to watch the RAF flypast Royal flush: Prince Charles, Prince William, Prince Andrew and Princess Anne make their way long the parade on horseback Queen Elizabeth II arrives at The Royal Horseguards during Trooping The Colour ceremony Taking over the reins: Riding in the ceremony for the first time is the Duke of York in his new role as Colonel of the Grenadier Guards (pictured right)Princess Anne cuts a stern figure draped in full ceremonial regalia (left) as she joins in on celebrations for the Queen's birthdayTens of thousands of cheering Royal enthusiasts flocked to Whitehall to see the royals mingle on the balcony, with Meghan and Kate sharing a chuckle while Harry watched on. Meghan wore a dress by Carolina Herrera and a hat by Philip Treacy. While Kate wore a dress by Alexander McQueen and a hat by Juliette Botterill.Camilla was in a pale blue silk dress and coat by Bruce Oldfield and a hat by Philip Treacy and the Queen wore a sky blue coat and dress by Stuart Parvin, and a hat by Angela Kelly.The Queen, who recently had a successful eye operation to remove a cataract, will watch the Trooping ceremony from a dais in Horse Guards and later inspect the lines of guardsmen in their scarlet tunics and bearskins. She was pictured today wearing her usual clear framed spectacles, having spent the previous three weeks wearing shaded lenses before the procedure (pictured today, left, and right at her annual garden party of May 31) The happy couple share a few words and smirk at one another as the carriage is pulled by two horses She's been practicing! Meghan was pictured fine tuning her royal wave alongside a grinning Harry at Buckingham Palace this morning Coldstream Guards and The Household Cavalry march down The Mall as part of Trooping the ColourThis year the ceremony, which is staged every June in London's historic Horse Guards Parade, saw the Colour of the 1st Battalion the Coldstream Guards being trooped.With weeks of rigorous training under their belt, soldiers wear immaculate uniforms and march with precision up the Mall and onto parade.Harry and Meghan have been pictured riding in a carriage together, staged on Whitehall's Horse Guards Parade, and will later join members of the monarchy on Buckingham Palace's balcony to watch the RAF flypast and acknowledge the crowds. The Queen, who recently had a successful eye operation to remove a cataract, watched the Trooping ceremony from a dais in Horse Guards and later inspect the lines of guardsmen in their scarlet tunics and bearskins. Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, Prince Andrew, Duke of York and Princess Anne, Princess Royal arrive at The Royal Horseguards during Trooping The Colour ceremony The Duchess of Cornwall watches the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guard from the balcony Crowds look on as soldiers of the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards during the Trooping the Colour ceremony at Horse Guards Parade The Duke and Duchess of Sussex's procession is accompanied by a Sovereign's Escort of the Household Cavalry, made up of Life Guards and Blues and Royals, in their silver and gold breastplates and plumed helmets Fans gather to catch a glimpse of some royals this morning on their procession Members of the queen's personal troops, the Household Division march past the Guards Division War Memorial With weeks of rigorous training under their belt, soldiers wear immaculate uniforms and march with precision up the Mall and onto parade.Security officers perform final safety checks along the parade today, ahead of the annual event they will see more than 1,000 soldiers taking part(The Duke of Edinburgh, who celebrates his 97th birthday on Sunday, has retired from official public duties and is not expected to attend.The royal colonels, all on horseback, will accompany the Queen: Prince of Wales, Colonel of the Welsh Guards, the Princess Royal, Colonel of the Blues and Royals, and the Duke of Cambridge, Colonel of the Irish Guards.Riding in the ceremony for the first time will be the Duke of York in his new role as Colonel of the Grenadier Guards. Published [hour]:[minute] [AMPM] [timezone], [monthFull] [day], [year] LONDON (AP) — Buckingham Palace confirmed Friday that Prince Harry and his wife, Meghan, will not be returning to royal duties, and Harry will give up his honorary military titles — a decision that makes formal, and final, the couple's split from the royal family.When Harry and Meghan stepped away from full-time royal life in March 2020, unhappy at media scrutiny and the strictures of their roles, it was agreed the situation would be reviewed after a year.Now it has, and the palace said in a statement that the couple, also known as the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, have verified "they will not be returning as working members of the Royal Family. "It said Queen Elizabeth II had spoken to 36-year-old Harry and confirmed "that in stepping away from the work of the Royal Family, it is not possible to continue with the responsibilities and duties that come with a life of public service." The palace said Harry's appointment as captain general of the Royal Marines and titles with other military groups would revert to the queen before being distributed to other members of the family.Harry served in the British army for a decade, including on the front line in Afghanistan, and retains a close bond with the military. He founded the Invictus Games competition for wounded troops, which first was held in 2014 at London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park. The Invictus Games Foundation said Harry would remain its patron. But he is relinquishing positions as patron of the Rugby Football Union, the Rugby Football League and the London Marathon Charitable Trust. Meghan, 39, will be stripped of her role as patron of Britain's National Theatre and the Association of Commonwealth Universities. "While all are saddened by their decision, the Duke and Duchess remain much loved members of the family," the palace statement said.American actress Meghan Markle, a former star of the TV legal drama "Suits," married the queen's grandson Harry at Windsor Castle in May 2018. Their son, Archie, was born a year later. In early 2020, Meghan and Harry announced they were quitting royal duties and moving to North America, citing what they said were the unbearable intrusions and racist attitudes of the British media toward the duchess, who identifies as biracial. The couple agreed to no longer use the title "royal highness" or receive public funds for their work, although it was unclear at the time if those decisions would stand. They retain their titles of duke and duchess, and Harry is still sixth in line to the British throne. Harry and Meghan now live in Santa Barbara, California and are expecting their second child. The couple recently announced they would speak to Oprah Winfrey for a TV special to be broadcast next month.Angela Levin, who has written a biography of Prince Harry, said the queen's anxiety about what the Winfrey interview might disclose may have prompted the royal family to announce the split with Harry and Meghan sooner than planned. "They're out on their own," she said. "They've got the freedom that they longed for." They continue to have a tense relationship with sections of the British media. Earlier this month, Meghan won a legal victory in a lawsuit against the publisher of the Mail on Sunday, when a British judge ruled the newspaper invaded her privacy by publishing part of a letter she wrote to her estranged father.News of their break with the palace comes as Harry's grandfather, 99-year-old Prince Philip, is in a London hospital, where he was admitted on Tuesday after feeling unwell.A spokesperson for the couple hit back at suggestions that Meghan and Harry were not devoted to duty. "As evidenced by their work over the past year, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex remain committed to their duty and service to the U.K. and around the world, and have offered their continued support to the organizations they have represented regardless of official role," the spokesperson said in a statement. "We can all live a life of service. Service is universal." Hilary Fox contributed to this story. Prince Harry would not return to the royal fold unless he received an apology from his estranged brother Prince William, sources have revealed.The Duke of Sussex is focused on "making a success of his life" in the United States and maintains he is happy with his decision on choosing to quit his royal life, sources close to the Duke suggest.However, it remains that he would be open to taking up a temporary role within the family to "help out" if he was asked to do so by the King.If you can't see the poll, click hereFriends of Harry say he is aware of his brother's feelings on the matter after The Mirror previously revealed Prince William suggested there was "zero chance" he would be welcomed back into the fold after penning his explosive memoir, Spare.Harry and William have not spoken for months and have no contact(Image: Getty Images)READ MORE: Prince William and Kate Middleton's move to Windsor had heartfelt link to QueenREAD MORE: Prince Harry has 'no interest' in returning to UK amid key move to 'protect' Royal FamilyHarry, 39, took aim at close members of his family and accused the King and Prince William of being desperate to leave the royal family if they could.William and Harry have not spoken for months and currently have no contact, choosing to stay apart from each other even when in the same room last month for their uncle Lord Fellows' funeral in Norfolk.Reports at the weekend suggested Harry had contacted a group of former trusted advisors as well as old pals to create a "blueprint" outlining how he might one day begin moving in UK circles again.But The Mirror understands this is "far from his mind" and any contact with former aides would be "purely for strategic and friendly advice", rather than any plot to return to the fold.Harry's book Spare reportedly widened the rift between the pair(Image: Getty Images)READ MORE: Prince William's heartbreaking plea to Prince Harry during heated argumentSources close to Harry say given the royal family's position this year, with the King and Princess of Wales both forced to take extended periods of leave from duties due to cancer treatment, the Duke remains open and willing to assist, if he was called upon.Friends of Harry say he is also determined to improve his relationship with his father, especially given his recent health woes.However, the Duke - who turns 40 next week - would still look for an apology from his warring brother if he was to represent the family in any capacity. Buckingham Palace confirmed Friday that Prince Harry and his wife, Meghan, will not be returning to royal duties, and Harry will give up his honorary military titles.When Harry and Meghan stepped away from full-time royal life in early 2020, it was agreed the situation would be reviewed after a year.The palace said in a statement "that they will not be returning as working members of The Royal Family."It said Harry's appointment as captain general of the Royal Marines and with other military groups would revert to Queen Elizabeth II before being distributed to other members of the family.Prince Harry sits with then-girlfriend Meghan Markle to watch a wheelchair tennis event during the Invictus Games in Toronto on Sept. 25, 2017. (Mark Blinch/Reuters)Harry, 36, served in the British army for a decade, including on the front line in Afghanistan and retains a close bond with the military. He founded the Invictus Games for wounded armed services personnel and veterans, first held in 2014 at London's Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.He will also have to relinquish positions as patron of the Rugby Football Union, the Rugby Football League and the London Marathon Charitable Trust.Meghan, 39, will be stripped of her role as patron of Britain's National Theatre and the Association of Commonwealth Universities.In early 2020, Meghan and Harry announced they were quitting royal duties and moving to North America, citing what they said were the unbearable intrusions and racist attitudes of the British media.The couple agreed to no longer use the title "Royal Highness" or receive public funds for their work, although it was unclear at the time if those decisions would stand.Harry and Meghan, seen here with their son Archie in South Africa in 2019, are expecting their second child. (Toby Melville/Getty Images)They retain their titles of duke and duchess, and Harry is still sixth in line to the British throne. Harry and Meghan now live in Santa Barbara, Calif., and are expecting their second child, a younger sibling for toddler Archie.They recently announced that they will speak to Oprah Winfrey in a TV special to be broadcast next month.They continue to have a tense relationship with sections of the British media. Earlier this month, Meghan won a legal victory in a lawsuit against the publisher of the Mail on Sunday, when a British judge ruled the newspaper invaded her privacy by publishing part of a letter she wrote to her estranged father.A spokesperson for the couple said in a statement that "as evidenced by their work over the past year, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex remain committed to their duty and service to the U.K. and around the world, and have offered their continued support to the organizations they have represented regardless of official role. We can all live a life of service. Service is universal." It has recently been reported that Prince Harry could take up his royal role once again in order to aid his father, King Charles, following the monarch's cancer diagnosis.On Friday, The Times reported that the King supported a reconciliation with his son and that there were feelings within Clarence House that an "arrangement" that saw the Duke of Sussex return as a working royal "could work". A royal source told the publication: "On all practical levels it makes perfect sense for the family to come together to support the King while he's sick." Recommended videoYou may also likeWATCH: Prince Harry reveals how he about King Charles' cancer diagnosis Due to his seniority within the royal family, Harry is a counsellor of state, meaning that the King could delegate royal functions to him through letters patent.Despite the reports, it's unlikely that Harry would return to the royal fold. The Duke of Sussex stepped back from being a working royal in 2020 when he and wife Meghan Markle left in what was dubbed 'Megxit' at the time. © DANIEL LEALHarry and Meghan stepped back from royal duties in 2020 When the pair stopped being working royals, they stopped representing the royal family on engagements, including military ones. A year later, Buckingham Palace confirmed Harry and Meghan could not "continue with the responsibilities and duties that come with a life of public service", which led to them giving up several military, honorary and charitable appointments. You may also like Despite the reports, Harry hasn't said he would return and seemed to hint the opposite on Friday. During an interview with Good Morning America, the Duke was asked about processing his father's health while living in California. © GettyRumours have suggested Harry could return to royal duties in response, the father-of-two said: "I have my own family as we all do. My family and my life in California is as it is." He then added that whilst he will return to the UK, it will only be briefly. "I have got other trips planned that would take me through the UK or back to the UK, so I will stop in and see my family as much as I can."Following the news of the King's cancer diagnosis, Harry returned to the United Kingdom, where he had a 45-minute meeting with his father, who delayed his trip to Sandringham in order to see his son. © GettyPrince Harry arrived in the UK shortly after her father's cancer diagnosis Neither Buckingham Palace nor sources from the Sussexes' Archewell organisation would comment on the meeting. However, one well-placed source told HELLO! that despite the brevity of their reunion, the King would have been "enormously touched" and "found time in the middle of a busy, planned day to see Harry as soon as he could"."The King is not in a position to suddenly throw the diary up in the air and rearrange everything," Robert Hardman, the author of Charles III: New King, New Court. The Inside Story, told HELLO!. "He doesn't want that anyway. He's trying to maintain as normal a schedule as possible. But it's lovely for Harry to have come over." © Getty ImagesThe King will be undertaking fewer duties following his diagnosis It was previously confirmed that Prince William will take on additional responsibilities amid his father's cancer diagnosis. It's believed that William will take on extra duties relating to Charles' public engagements and not to his constitutional role.READ: I joined Prince Harry and Meghan Markle for day three in Vancouver - and got the surprise of my lifeFAMILY LIFE: Meet Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's children Prince Archie and Princess Lilibet LISTEN: How Prince Harry and Meghan Markle plan on using their new website