BIOGRAPHY

Lieutenant General Jean-Paul PERRUCHE

Branch : Artillery

<u>Succesive ranks</u> : -2nd Lieutenant : 01.10.1968

- Lieutenant 01.10.1970 - Captain 01.01.1976 - Major 01.07.1982 - Lieutenant-colonel 01.07.1986 - Colonel 01.07.1989 - Brigadier 01.09.1997 - Major General 01.09.2000 - Lieutenant General 01.04.2003

Qualifications and diplomas : - National Defence higher studies Institute

- Higher military studies centre

- Jumpmaster

German CMLE2 and P2 language degreeEnglish CMLE2 and P2 language degree

Lieutenant Général Perruche was born on 10 June 1947 in Besançon (Doubs). He entered the Saint-Cyr Special Military School in 1967 and upon graduating he enrolled in the Artillery.

His career can be divided between:

- The command of the troop, at the 73rd and 2nd Artillery Regiment in Germany, and at the 35th Airborne Artillery Batallion in Tarbes which he commanded from 1989 to 1991.
- ➤ Operational deployments, specially in TCHAD (1978-79) in SOMALIA (1992-93) and KOSOVO (2002-03)
- ➤ Instuctor, at the Saint-Cyr Military Academy, between 1979 and 1981.
- ➤ 13 years spent in Paris, in the high staff headquarters :
 - Army Staff, as case officier in the "Field Artillery" cell of the Studies bureau (1983-87);
 - Defense Minister Information and Public Relations Service, as Chief of Studies, Planning and Evaluation Division (1991-93);
 - Defense Staff, as "Central, Eastern and Balkan Europe" Section Chief and then, "Atlantic Alliance" Section Chief of the Foreign relations Division, before being appointed advisor to the Chief of Defense Staff on North American and European affairs, as well as head of the European Security Steering Group (1994-98).
- ➤ Since his promotion to the rank of général, he has been assigned :
 - at the Defense Staff, between 1997 and 1998;
 - Deputy Commander of the 11th Airborne Division in Toulouse, (1998 1999):
 - Chief of the French Military Mission to SACEUR (Mons), from 1999 to 2001;
 - Commander of the EMF 1 (Force Headquarters N°1) in Besançon.
 - Special assistant to Chief of Army Staff.

He has been the Director General of the European Union Military Staff since 1st of March 2004.

He is graduated from the War College (1982), the Advanced Military Studies Centre (CHEM) and the Institute of Higher National Defence Studies (IHEDN), in Paris (1994). He is also holder of a postgraduate degree in Defense studies (University of Paris).

Lieutenant Général Perruche is a Knight of the Legion of Honour and of National Order of Merit. He is married and father of three daughters and one son.