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COMMANDER NICOLAOS LUCA

Military Representative of Cyprus to the EU

Commander Nicolaos LUCA was born on July 16, 1972 in Limassol. He joined the Hellenic Navy Naval Academy in 1989 and graduated in 1993, as an Ensign. During his career he was specialized in the areas of Operations, Human Resources Management, and International Relations.

Career Profile:

At the beginning of his career he served at sea in various ships of the Hellenic Fleet. When he completed his early education in Greece, and returned to Cyprus, he served in various positions of the Cyprus Navy Command.

He was appointed as Commanding Officer of the Command Unit of the Navy Command (1998–1999), the Patrol Boat PP SALAMIS (1999-2001), the Coastal Battery 1 (2001-2003) and the Coastal Battery 3 (2003-2005).

His staff assignments include: Head of the Communication Information System Department, the Plans and Policy Department, the Human Resources Management Department, and the International Relations Office at the Cyprus Navy Headquarters. During the later, he was appointed as a Point of Contact for the Chiefs of European Navies (CHENs) and he was responsible for the organization of the Cyprus Presidency of the CHENs (2008 – 2009) and their annual meeting in Cyprus, in May 2009.

From August 2010 until August 2014, he served as the Deputy Military Representative of Cyprus to the EU, and as the EUMCWG and the Athena Special Committee national delegate. During that period was also responsible of the military and defence aspects of Cyprus's Presidency of the Council of the EU, from January to December 2012.

In September 2016 he was assigned the duties of the Commander of the Coastal Batteries Command.

From the 30th September 2019 he has been appointed as the Military Representative of Cyprus to the EU Military Committee.

Education:

He holds a Master of Arts (MA) in International Relations and Security from the University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece (2016).

He is also a graduate of the Hellenic Supreme Joint War College and the Hellenic National Defense College.

He speaks English fluently and French on an adequately level.

Family status:

He is married to Mrs Zoe Zakou Luca, a mathematician of Secondary Education, and they have a son named Marinos (born July 2008).