



**General Jacques LANGLADE
de MONTGROS**

**EUTM RCA Mission Force
Commander**

Married and father to 7 children, General Jacques Langlade de Montgros was born on 15 June 1969 in Le Petit Quevilly in the North of France.

He started at Saint Cyr in 1988 and then moved onto the armoured cavalry instructional school at Saumur. In August 1992 he joined the 1st Regiment, The Airborne Hussards in Tarbes as a troop commander then took over as the GCP commander where he deployed to Bosnia, Rwanda and Chad.

Promoted to Captain in 1995 he was sent to 2nd Regiment, Dragons of Laon where he took on the role of Squadron Second in Command. He attended the advanced armour course at Fort Knox (USA) in 1997. He returned to the 1st Regiment, The Airborne Hussards in 1997 where he took command of No. 2 squadron deploying to Central African Republic, Chad and Bosnia.

In 2000, he was posted to the communications cell within the office of the Chief of the Defence Staff where he promoted to Major. He deployed to Afghanistan in 2002 before attending 'école de guerre' (Staff College) between 2003 and 2004.

Posted again back to the 1st Regiment, The Airborne Hussards in 2004 he took over the role as head of the instructional wing. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 2005 and was re-deployed to Afghanistan in 2006.

In 2006, he was posted to Paris to work within the operational control centre of the Armed Forces HQ and then onto the Minister of Defence's office between 2007 and 2010, during which time he was promoted to Colonel.

He then commanded the 1st Regiment, The Airborne Hussards deploying on operations as Commanding Officer to Chad.

Returning to Armed Forces HQ between 2012 and 2014 he was in charge of a strategic review about armed forces transformation. From 2014 to 2015 he attended General's staff college and the institute of higher national defence studies.

He then became head of intelligence at CPCO (headquarters for operational control and planning) between 2015 and 2017; then returned again to the Minister of Defence's office.

General de Montgros, who has two citations, took command of the 11th Airborne Brigade in Toulouse from the 31 July 2019 to July 2021. He is “ *commandeur de l’ordre national du mérite*”.

The 11th of September 2021 he received the command of EUTM RCA in Bangui.