



## **CURRICULUM VITAE LIEUTENANT GENERAL (CGEA)**

**CÉSAR MIGUEL SIMÓN LÓPEZ**

### **Duties**

As Commander of the Air Combat Command has the mission to prepare the units related to air combat, combat support, State action and command and control system, in order to establish, quickly and effectively, the air operational structures for conducting military operations.

### **Additional roles**

As Commander of the Aerospace Operational Command (MDOA) within the operational structure of the Armed Forces, he is responsible for the planning, conducting and monitoring of surveillance, security, control and air policing operations in airspaces of sovereignty, responsibility and national interest.

### **Courses**

- XXXVII National Defence course (2017)
- Training for the performance as Brigadier General.
- NATO Senior Officer Policy.
- NADEFCOL, for commissioned officers.
- Staff course, Air Forces.
- Fighter pilot.
- Advanced air traffic controller.
- Survival, Evasion & Escape.
- Air observer course.
- Procurement course.

## **Record of service**

- 1981 First lieutenant, 33rd class, Air Forces Academy.
- 1981/1982 Jet Aircrafts School. Jets course.
- 1982 14th Wing, Albacete.
- 1987 Air Forces Academy, San Javier (Murcia). Flight instructor.
- 1988 15th Wing, Zaragoza.
- 1991 General Staff, Air Operational Command, Torrejón Air Force Base (Madrid).
- 1992/1993 Air Forces Advanced Studies School. General Staff course.
- 1993 General Staff, Air Operational Command, Torrejón Air Force Base (Madrid).
- 1994 General Staff, Air Combat Command, Torrejón Air Force Base (Madrid).
- 1998 12th Wing, Torrejón Air Base (Madrid), Support Group commander and Air Forces Group commander.
- 2001 NATO Eurofighter and Tornado Management Agency (NETMA), Eurofighter programme, Munich, Germany. Programme management.
- 2004 Logistic Support Command/Eurofighter programme.
- 2006 Central Organ, Directorate General of Defence Policy, Deputy Directorate General of Planning and Defence International Relations-NATO
- 2007 Air Force General Staff, secondment at the Directorate General of Defence Policy.
- 2008 Permanent Representation to the NATO, NATO Headquarters in Brussels; Defence Advisor of Spanish Ambassador to the NATO
- 2011 Assistant to the Chief of Air Force Staff.
- 2014 Air Combat Command Staff Chief.
- 2016 Air Combat Command Deputy Commander.
- 2017 Air Combat Command Commander.

## **Personal review**

- Born in La Coruña, married and father of a daughter.
- Almost 3000 flight hours; over 2500 in jet fighters.