

Lieutenant General Julio Salom Herrera, Chief of the Canary Islands Command of the Spanish Army and Commander of the Operational Land Command.

Lieutenant General Julio Salom Herrera studied Higher Military Education, was promoted to lieutenant of Infantry in July 1987, and was assigned to the Tercio Gran Capitán I de la Legión, in the II Motorised Flag, in Melilla, where He served as Section Commander.

As a captain, He was assigned to the "Pavía" 19th Motorised Infantry Regiment, and later to the Tercio Gran Capitán I of the Legion, in the 1st Mechanised Flag, deploying in 1993 on his first mission abroad, as a member of the "Canarias" Tactical Group, UNPROFOR II in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

After gaining his General Staff diploma, in the rank of Major, he performed his duties in the Directorate of Education, Instruction, Training and Evaluation, in Granada. Later on, stationed at the General Headquarters of the General Command in Melilla, he was chief of the logistics area; during this period he was also deployed in Najab (Iraq) as head of the CIMIC Unit.

As a lieutenant colonel, he was promoted to head of the I Flag of the Legion, being deployed with his unit in the KSPFOR XXV contingent in Istok, Kosovo. Later, in February 2011, he was appointed aide-de-camp under King Juan Carlos I, transferring in June 2014 to King Felipe VI, also as aide-de-camp, until December.

In July 2014 he was promoted to colonel, and in December He was assigned to command the Tercio "Alejandro Farnesio" IV of the Legion, deploying in January 2015 with part of his unit in Besmayah (Iraq), on the occasion of the first deployment of Operation A/I, fighting against Daesh.

In July 2017, he was promoted to brigadier general, taking command of the Operations Division of the Army General Staff, until he was promoted to major general in February 2019, becoming Chief of Staff of the Ground Force in March 2020.

In November 2022, he was appointed Chief of the Canary Islands Command of the Army, being promoted to Lieutenant General in January 2023.

Born in Madrid, he holds numerous civilian and military decorations and speaks English. He is of recognised courage.

