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INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS HALL OF FAME

The International Fellows Hall of Fame was established on 1 April 1999. The purpose of this program is to provide a prestigious and visible means of honoring National Defense University graduates who have attained, through military merit, the highest positions in their nations' Armed Forces or who have held equivalent positions in multinational military organizations. Recognition of this distinguished status includes inscription of the inductee's name on the International Fellows Hall of Fame plaque to be displayed with a photograph, along with other inductees in the International Fellows Hall of Fame. The inductee will also receive an individual certificate and a plaque.

CITATION

The United States National Defense University, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C., in recognition of outstanding military achievement, hereby inducts into the United States National Defense University International Fellows Hall of Fame Lieutenant General Drago Lovrić, Chief of General Staff of the Croatian Armed Forces. By order of Major General Gregg Martin, President, United States National Defense University, dated the 28th day of August 2012.

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

In honor of
Lieutenant General Drago Lovrić
Chief of General Staff of the
Croatian Armed Forces

28 August 2012



NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY
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WASHINGTON, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Lieutenant General Drago Lovrić



Lieutenant General Drago Lovrić was born on 2 December, 1961 in the village of Gornji Vukšić, Bosnia and Herzegovina. He graduated from the Military Academy of the Land Forces (Air Defence Branch) in 1983. He voluntarily joined the National Guard Corps in August 1991 and after being appointed as a Staff Officer in Zagreb Operational Zone and Zagreb Area Command, he took command over 153rd Infantry Brigade (1992) and 202nd Air Defence Brigade (February 1992). In July 1994 he took a position of the Chief of Staff of Gospić Area Command and in February 1995 he became Deputy Commander of Gospić Area Command.

After the abolishment of Gospić Area Command, he became Deputy Commander of the 1st Area Command in Karlovac. In September 1998 he took a position of the Commander of the 1st Area Command and in October 1999 he became Deputy Head of Operations Directorate in the Croatian Armed Forces General Staff. From October 2000 to February 2007 he was Head of Operations Directorate in the CAF General Staff, with a break from May 2003 to November 2004 for his education at National Defense University in the USA. From September 2007 to February 2011 he was a Croatian Military Representative to NATO and EU. Upon decision taken by the President of the Republic of Croatia on 25 February 2011, he was appointed as Chief of General Staff of the Croatian Armed Forces.

General Lovrić's educational accomplishments include a Master of Science Study on International Relations at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Zagreb. He also completed Command and Staff College at Petar Zrinski Croatian Defence Academy. In 2004, he earned a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at National Defense University in Washington, D.C.

In 1996 he was promoted to the rank of Staff Brigadier and in 2000 he was promoted to Brigadier General. In 2005 he was promoted to Major General and in 2011 he was promoted to Lieutenant General.

He has received the following military orders and decorations: Homeland War Commemorative Decoration, Homeland War Commemorative Decoration for 5 and 10 years of distinguished service, Order of the Croatian Braid, Order of the Croatian Trefoil, Order of the Croatian Cross, Order of Ban Josip Jelačić and Order of Duke Domagoj with Neck Ribbon. He has also received a Medal for Participation in Operation "Storm" and a Medal for Daring Feat.

He is married, with two children.

PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies

Colonel John Charlton, USAF (Ret)

Senior Director, International Student Management Office

Welcome Remarks

Major General Joseph Brown

Commandant, Industrial College of the Armed Forces

Remarks

Major General Gregg F. Martin, Ph.D.

President, National Defense University

Induction of

Lieutenant General Drago Lovrić

Chief of General Staff of the Croatian Armed Forces

Presentation of Certificate

Presentation of Hall of Fame Memento

Unveiling of Hall of Fame Photograph

Inductee Remarks

Conclusion of Ceremony

**A Buffet Luncheon will Follow in
Marshall Hall South Atrium**