

Promotions and retirements amongst the senior ranks of HM Armed Forces. Below two star on second page

Admiral Sir George Zambellas KCB DSC is to be appointed First Sea Lord and Chief of the Naval Staff in succession to Admiral Sir Mark Stanhope GCB OBE ADC in April 2013.

Air Marshal Sir Andrew Pulford KCB CBE is to be promoted to Air Chief Marshal and appointed Chief of the Air Staff in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Dalton GCB ADC in July 2013.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Stuart Peach KCB CBE ADC is to be appointed Vice Chief of the Defence Staff in succession to General Sir Nicholas Houghton GCB CBE ADC in May 2013.

Lieutenant General Richard Barrons CBE is to be promoted to General and appointed Commander Joint Forces Command in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Stuart Peach KCB CBE ADC in April 2013.

R Adm Ian F Corder to be promoted Vice Admiral, to succeed Air Marshal Sir Christopher Harper KBE as UK MilRep at NATO wef 30 May 2013

R Adm M J Parr to succeed R Adm I F Corder as Cdr Opns and R Adm Submarines as Head of Fighting Arm wef 15 May 2013

DETAILED CVs

Vice Admiral Ian Fergus Corder (later CB) assumed the role of Military Representative to NATO and the European Union on 31 May 2013.

Educated at Rugby School and Peterhouse, Cambridge (Pure Mathematics), he joined the Royal Navy in 1978, volunteered for submarines and spent his early career in the SSN force as an operations and navigation specialist. His command appointments have included serving as Executive Officer of HMS SCEPTRE (SSN) and as the Commanding Officer of HMS ORACLE (SSK), HMS SPLENDID (SSN(TLAM)), and the frigate HMS CUMBERLAND. In the latter he participated in both Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and maritime sanctions against Iraq in the immediate lead up to the second Gulf conflict.

His early staff tours have included a desk officer assignment to the Naval Staff, responsible for SSBN operational policy and, as a Captain, a tour as Naval Assistant to the First Sea Lord and a second tour as a Deputy Director in the central staff directorate responsible for MoD policy regarding NATO, the EU, and the UN. As a Commodore, he served for 18 months as the Chief of the Strategic Systems Executive and two years as Director of Naval Personnel Strategy. As the former he was responsible for the delivery of the UK's independent nuclear deterrent and as the UK project officer for the UK/US Polaris Sales agreement. In the latter role he had responsibility for formulation of HR policy for the whole of the Naval Service.

Promoted to Rear Admiral, he was appointed as Deputy Commander Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO (STRIKFORNATO) and Commander STRIKFORNATO Maritime Forces during which, inter alia, he served as the Maritime Component Commander for the NATO Response Force. Immediately prior to taking up his current appointment as UK MILREP he served as Commander (Operations) for Royal Navy, NATO's Submarine Force Commander and the head of the Royal Navy's Submarine Service. During this appointment he acted as Maritime Component Commander for operations in Libya in 2011 and for the London Olympic Games in 2012.

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