



DANISH DEFENCE

BIOGRAPHY

Henrik Berg

Lieutenant General
Vice Chief of Defence and Chief of Defence Staff



Lieutenant General Henrik Berg serves as Vice Chief of Defence and Chief of Defence Staff at Defence Command Denmark. The Defence Staff supports the Chief of Defence in the operational command and administration of the Danish Armed Forces. The Chief of Defence Staff reports directly to the Chief of Defence and acts as the Chief's deputy. Together, they constitute the senior leadership of the Danish Armed Forces.

Lieutenant General Henrik Berg joined the Royal Danish Army in 1983 and was commissioned from the Royal Danish Military Academy in 1987. In his early career, he served with the Royal Life Guards and the Danish Life Regiment in platoon and company-level leadership positions, including a deployment as platoon commander with UNFICYP in Cyprus.

In 1994, he deployed as company commander with the Danish Battalion under UNPROFOR in Croatia. From 1996, he held a series of staff and intelligence appointments, including service with the Danish Defence Intelligence Service and operational tours in Sarajevo and Tuzla.

From 1998–1999, Lieutenant General Berg attended the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. Afterwards, he served in planning, training and executive staff positions within the Army Operational Command, Eastern Regional Command and Defence Command Denmark.

Promoted lieutenant colonel in 2004, he assumed command of 2nd Battalion, The Royal Life Guards and subsequently led the Danish Battalion in Iraq during a seven-month deployment.

From 2007, he returned to the Danish Defence Intelligence Service, where he held senior positions and was promoted to brigadier general in 2019. He subsequently served as Chief of Staff of the Danish Home Guard Command and later as Deputy Chief of Staff at Allied Joint Force Command Norfolk, USA.

In 2025, he was promoted to lieutenant general and appointed Vice Chief of Defence and Chief of Defence Staff, Defence Command Denmark.

Lieutenant General Henrik Berg has been deployed to Cyprus, Croatia, Bosnia and Iraq. He is decorated as Commander of the Order of the Dannebrog and holds multiple Danish, UN and NATO service medals.



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