



## CHIEF OF DEFENCE STAFF

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**General Martin Herem**  
Former Chief of Defence  
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Dear General Herem,

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On behalf of the Hungarian Defence Forces, I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank you for your invaluable contribution, as you leave your post as Chief of Defence of the Estonian Defence Forces. Bidding farewell to the CHOD position must be a bitter moment, especially when you have reached the pinnacle of your military service.

With regard to your selfless and arduous service to your nation, allow me to congratulate on your great achievements, as well as on your highly distinguished military career. You have played a significant role in strengthening NATO's collective defence and security amid these turbulent and extremely challenging times. In this spirit, you have commanded the Estonian Defence Forces with distinction during their participation in various missions and operations. I am convinced that you will be truly missed not only by your closest comrades, but also by your colleagues in the Union and the Alliance.

In my view, an excellent relationship has developed between our military organisations throughout the years and I wish to maintain the highly valuable relations between our Armed Forces.

Availing this opportunity let me extend my high esteem and my best wishes to you and I also wish health, strength and persistence in your endeavours for the next phase of your life.

Yours Sincerely, *est*

*G. Böröndi*

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