ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA
CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF

GENERAL, DEAR ANDRUS,

Skopje, 11 November 2026

I would like to extend my great appreciation to you, and the brave men and women who serve in the Estonian Armed Forces.

On the occasion of your Armed Forces Day, 16th November, I would like to stress that throughout history, the Armed Forces have stood as a symbol of strength, resilience, and commitment to protecting our freedoms and maintaining peace. Having in mind this fact, I am certain that your Armed Forces Day represents the same values for every member currently serving and for the veterans who have served in the Estonian Armed Forces.

The Army of the Republic of North Macedonia greatly values the partnership and cooperation with the Estonian Armed Forces, both bilaterally and within NATO. I am confident that our collaboration will further strengthen in the upcoming years, with a view to mutually contributing to regional and collective stability and security.

I avail myself of this opportunity to convey the assurances of my appreciation and respect to the men and women under your command, and extend my wishes of continued success and prosperity to the Estonian Armed Forces.

Major General
Sashko Lafchiski

To
Lieutenant General Andrus MERILO,
Chief of Defence
Armed Forces of the Republic of Estonia