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Chief of the Italian Defence Staff

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Dear Andrus,

on behalf of the Italian Armed Forces and myself, allow me to extend my heartfelt congratulations on your appointment as Commander of the Estonian Defence Forces.

Undoubtedly, this prestigious achievement of yours is a well-deserved recognition of your professionalism, competence and dedication to your Country and I am sure you will find this new task as challenging and rewarding at the same time.

The current unstable and multifaceted scenario requires strong cooperation and mutual interoperability between Allies in order to provide robust and cohesive response. I am confident that, during your tenure, the solid bonds between our Armed Forces will grow even further in the pursuit of our common interests and values.

While wishing you every success, I send you my warmest regards.

Yours, sincerely

Admiral Giuseppe CAVO DRAGONE

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Andrus MERILO
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