



Biography of Lieutenant-Colonel DION Pascal

1. Personal data:

- a. Born on the 26 of August 1961 in Villeneuve Saint-Georges (France).
- b. Married with Anne-Christelle since October 1993.
- c. 4 daughters:
 - Victoire (19 years old).
 - Hortense (17 years old).
 - Blanche (15 years old).
 - Marthe-Augustine (12 years old).

2. Education:

- a. Second year university diploma in “economics” (1982 – University of Paris 1, Sorbonne).
- b. Master degree in “defense and security” (1993 – University of Toulon & Var).

3. Military career:

a. Main posts:

- 1985/1988: reconnaissance platoon leader.
- 1988/1990: officer cadet at the combined military school.
- 1990/1991: cadet at the Artillery school.
- 1991/1994: platoon leader (15° Artillery Battalion – HADES nuclear weapons).
- 1994/1996: deputy battery commander (15° Artillery Battalion).
- 1996/1997: battery commander (15° Artillery Battalion).
- 1997/1999: staff officer within the S3 of the 7° Artillery Battalion (tactical UAV).
- 1999/2004: chief S3 of the 61° Artillery Battalion (tactical UAV & Imagery).
- 2004/2007: staff officer (in charge of Doctrine) at the Army Intelligence School.
- 2007/2008: branch head (equipments) at the Army Intelligence School.
- 2008/2011: Intelligence SME at the Joint Warfare Centre (Stavanger – Norway).
- 2011/2012: commander of the core staff of the Army Intelligence Training Centre.
- 2012/2015: first commander of the Army Intelligence Training Centre.
- 2015: since August 17th, director of the Intelligence Department at the NATO School Oberammergau.

b. Ranks:

i. As a conscript:

- 1984: soldier.
- 1985: senior officer.
- 1986: second lieutenant.
- 1987: first lieutenant.

ii. Active:

- 1988: officer cadet.
- 1989: second lieutenant.
- 1990: first lieutenant.
- 1994: captain.

- 2001: major.
 - 2007: lieutenant-colonel.
- c. Degrees and courses:
- National:
 - Army intelligence course basic level in 1995.
 - Unit commander course in 1996.
 - Staff College in 1998.
 - Army intelligence course expert level in 2001.
 - Battalion commander course in 2012.
 - Joint intelligence course senior level in 2013.
 - NATO:
 - Geospatial officer course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2008).
 - NATO intelligence course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2009).
 - OPC course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2009).
 - Joint EW course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2009).
 - NATO Imagery & IMINT course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2009).
 - ISAF intelligence orientation course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2010).
 - CJ2X course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2010).
 - CCIRM course at the NATO School Oberammergau (2010).
 - HUMINT analyst at the HUMINT COE – Oradea (2010).
 - METT in Paris (2015).
- d. Medals:
- UN Commemorative medal for MINURSO – Figures 2 - 2015.
 - Chevalier of the Legion of Honor – 2013.
 - Veteran’s Cross – 2013.
 - Chevalier of France's *Ordre nationale du Mérite* – 2008.
 - French Commemorative medal for Afghanistan – 2007.
 - NATO Commemorative medal for ISAF (non Article V) – 2007.
 - NATO Commemorative medal for operations in Balkans – Figures 2 - (non Article V) – 2003.
 - Nation recognition medal – 2002.
 - NATO Commemorative medal for operations in Balkans – (non Article V) – 2001.
 - French Commemorative medal for Ex-Yugoslavia – 1999.
 - NATO Commemorative medal for Ex-Yugoslavia – 1999.
 - National Defense medal (gold grade) – 1999.
 - UN Commemorative medal for MINURSO – 1995.
- e. Deployments abroad:
- 1991: horn of Africa.
 - 1994/1995: Chief G2 of a team site – MINURSO (Western-Sahara).
 - 1999: UAS battery Commander – KFOR (FYROM & Kosovo).
 - 2001: chief of Kosovo assessment team at the J2/KFOR HQ (Kosovo).
 - 2003: ISR Battalion Commander – KFOR/BMNB-N (Kosovo).
 - 2007: French representative’s Intelligence advisor – ISAF (Kabul/Afghanistan).
 - 2009: intelligence SME for the IOC of the IJC HQ (Kabul/Afghanistan).
 - 2014/2015: chief U2 of the MINURSO HQ and French SNR (Western-Sahara).