

## AIR BRIGADIER GENERAL CYRIL CARCY

### FRENCH DEFENSE ATTACHÉ

*Born on 6 May 1970 in Toulouse (France)*

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Brigadier General Carcy joined the French Air Force Academy in 1989 and has served in the French Air Force for 31 years.

His early assignments include postings to the French Jaguar Tactical and Laser Guided Mission Fighter Squadron and the French Mirage F1CR Reconnaissance Squadron. Throughout seven years spent in fighter operational units, he has deployed in 11 overseas tours including BOSNIA, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC, CHAD, and IRAQ.

From 2000 to 2003, he served as the Commander of a joint crew survival-training unit and was in charge of planning survival courses in different environments (combat, jungle, desert, artic, and maritime).

In 2004, after one year of professional development, he graduated from the French War College and served as Deputy RPA Squadron Commander before taking command of the squadron in 2006. After completing the test and evaluation period of the Harfang system, a MALE RPA derivative of the Israeli Heron 1 equipped with SATCOM, he deployed the new MALE UAV at Bagram Air Base (Afghanistan) in January 2009 and flew operational missions in support of ISAF forces.

Returning from Afghanistan in July 2009, he served as the Military Assistant to the French Chief of Air Staff. He spent three years providing daily support to the Chief of the French Air Force on different topics dealing with operations, capabilities and international affairs.

In 2012, he was appointed as an Air Strategist to the CSAF's Strategic Studies Group to the USAF Headquarters at the Pentagon, Washington D.C. Two years later, he returned from the United States to take command of CREIL Air Force Base. At that time, he was in charge of providing support to and commanding 3,500 personnel on a Joint base dedicated to five major missions: Intelligence, national territory Protection, Strategic and Tactical airlift, Nuclear Deterrence and Arms Control.

In 2016, he attended the French National Defense Institute – *Centre des Hautes Etudes Militaires* – before serving as the J2 Branch Chief to the French Strategic Planning and Control Command.

After two years of providing threat assessments to all operational theaters of forward deployed French forces, he served a one-year operational tour as the Deputy Commander of Operation BARKHANE.

Brigadier General Carcy is a command pilot with more than 2,500 flying hours.

Brigadier General Carcy is married to Tania and they have one child. He regularly competes in endurance races and enjoys cooking.

## **EDUCATION**

1992 Master of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering, French Air Force Academy  
1995 Fighter Weapons Instructor Course, Cazaux AFB, France  
2000 Combat Survival Instructor, Mont de Marsan AFB, France  
2004 Master of Arts degree in National Security and Strategic Studies, French War College, Paris

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

1993 - 1997 Jaguar Tactical and Laser Guided Mission Fighter Squadron - TOUL AFB  
1997 - 2000 Mirage F1CR Reconnaissance Squadron - REIMS AFB  
2000 – 2003 Joint Survival Training Squadron Commander – CAZAUX AFB  
2003 - 2004 French War College – 11<sup>th</sup> Cohort - PARIS  
2004 - 2006 Deputy Commander – French MALE UAV Squadron - MONT DE MARSAN AFB  
2006 - 2009 Commander - French MALE UAV Squadron - MONT DE MARSAN AFB  
2009 – 2012 Military Assistant to the French Chief of Air Staff - PARIS  
2012 – 2014 Air Strategist to the CSAF's Strategic Studies Group - Pentagon – WASHINGTON D.C.  
2014 – 2016 CREIL Air Force Base Commander  
2016 – 2017 French National Defense Institute – PARIS  
2017 – 2019 J2 Chief – Strategic Planning and Control Command – PARIS  
2019 – 2020 Deputy Commander of Operation BARKHANE– N'DJAMENA (CHAD)

## **PROMOTION**

August 2000 Major  
August 2004 Lieutenant-colonel  
May 2009 Colonel  
June 2019 Brigadier General

## **DECORATIONS AND AWARDS**

Officer of the Legion of Honor  
Officer of the National Order of Merit  
Military Valor Cross  
Aeronautical Medal  
Overseas Operations Medal with clasps for AFGHANISTAN, CHAD, MIDDLE EAST and SAHEL  
Meritorious Service Medal (USA)