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## **NOTA BIOGRÁFICA**

## Barbados

## Chief of Staff Barbados Defence Force, Commodore Errington Ricardo Shurland

Commodore (Cdre) Errington Shurland enlisted in the Barbados Defence Force in February 1984.

He is a graduate of the Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, United Kingdom and the Command and General Staff College of the United State Army, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas; Cdre Shurland holds two significant appointments and portfolios within the Caribbean Region.

He was appointed Chief of Staff of the Barbados Defence Force on 1 September 2021 and and also serves as the Executive Director of the Regional Security System from 1 February 2017.

During his career in the military Cdre Shurland has served in several operational and administrative posts.

Possessing extensive interagency as well as intergovernmental experience, Cdre Shurland has functioned in various diplomatic roles. These roles include Barbados' representative at the Organisation of American States, the Chief of the Barbados Delegation at the Inter American Defence Board, Barbados' delegate to the United Nations and the International Maritime Organisation. Regionally, he has performed strategic duties as an adviser for Barbados' delegation to negotiate Maritime Boundaries and Fisheries Agreements with Trinidad and Tobago, and Guyana.

He holds a Master's degree in Maritime Administration from the World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden and is certified in Elections Management and Mediation from the American University and the University of Windsor respectively.

Cdre Shurland's contribution to security and defence education throughout the Americas was recognized and awarded by the William J Perry Center for Hemispheric Defence studies in September 2022.

Cdre Shurland is a Justice of the Peace, and his military honours include the Services Medal of Honour, the General Service Medal, the Humanitarian Medal, the Queen's Jubilee Medal, the Governor-General's Medal of Honour, and two Defence Board Commendations.