

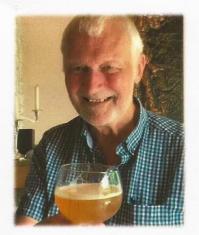
### **BULLETIN** No 2020.1

### Dear Member,

In my personal name and in the name of the committee, I take this occasion to wish you an excellent 2020.

May this new year bring happiness and a good health to you and your family. Every year is a promise for joy and discoveries. May 2020 be a special year, with thousands of small little moments bringing joy and pleasure to your life. Happy New Year.

It was with very much sadness that we have been informed that our Honorary President Peter had left us. The large number of messages of condolences is an indication of how much Peter was loved and appreciated. We have all witnessed and benefitted from the excellent relations that Peter was able to maintain with his colleagues at work. His team spirit and his dedication to SHAPE and NATO made him a very helpful and reliable workmate. Peter's devotion to the protection of the civilian personnel and his diplomatic competences to face the difficult problems confronting the acting staff and the retirees have always been very much admired and appreciated. His personality and his actions will not be forgotten.



Peter LUDFORD 09.03.1943 - 24.11. 2019

## 1. Membership news

Unfortunately, Peter was not the only member who has left us. It is with sorrow that we have to inform you that the following other deaths have been reported to us since our Spring 2019 Bulletin:

Mr Metin ARI (Turkey)	Mr Peter KEAM (United Kingdom)
Mrs Marie ARTHURS-Lee (Belgium)	Mr Fraser KERR (Norway)
Mr David BESLEY (United Kingdom)	Mrs Gisèle MAHLER (Belgium)
Mr Bjorn BRAUTEN (Norway)	Mrs Loise NIJHOFF – HAZEBROEK (NLD)
Mr Angiolo CARLOMAGNO (Italy)	Mr Bent REESE – PETERSEN (Denmark)
Sig.ra Franca DE FALCO – FASCIANI (Italy)	Mrs Ilone ROWELL (United Kingdom)
Mr John EINBU (Norway)	Mr Alessandro SPAGNUOLO (Italy)
Mr John GEGGIE (Netherlands)	Mr Anthonius VAN DER GRIENDT (NLD)
Mrs Mathilda GRUWEL	Mr Abby VAN DER VOORT – KOEKENBIER
	(NLD)
Mr Ozlu KARABUBER (Turkey)	Mr Matthijs VAN ERGMOND (Netherlands)
We offer our sincere condolences to their loved-ones.	

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On the other hand, we have had the pleasure to welcome following new members, since our Summer 2019 Bulletin:

Mrs Els ARENS (Netherlands)	Mrs Lyse MENIN (Belgium)
Mr Petrus J.M. BAKKER (Netherlands)	Mrs Inge NELIS – KNOPS (Germany)
Mr Pierre BATAILLE (Belgium)	Mr Michel NICOLACOPOULOS (Belgium)
Mrs Selvin BAYATA (Turkey)	Mr Mehmet Teoman OZGEN (Turkey)
Mr Arie BLOK (Netherlands)	Mrs Lynne PETERS (Netherlands)
Mrs Marcella BORGS (Belgium)	Mrs Moira PILKINGTON (United Kingdom)
Mrs Marina CILISSEN (Belgium)	Mr Huseyin Nejat SINDEL (Turkey)
Mr Leo DEKKER (Netherlands)	Mr Frans SNACKERS (Germany)
Mss Rüveyde Nimet DEMIR (Turkey)	Mr Peter STILLER (Germany)
Mr Hajo GREYDANUS (Belgium)	Mr Eric STUKKEN (Belgium)
Mr Christian JORGENSEN (Belgium)	Mrs Isabelle TEZCAN (Belgium)
Mr Mustafa Orhan KARADEMIR (Turkey)	Mr Ahmet UZUM (Turkey)
Mr Kudret KARATEPE	Mrs Lutfiye VEZIROGLU (Turkey)
Mrs Bente Heill KLEVEN (Norway)	Mr Christopher WORNSUP (Portugal).

We very much welcome them and wish them a very long and healthy retirement period.

With all these plusses and minuses, we end up with 1.152 members as per 31 December 2019. The countries with the largest representations are the Netherlands (344), Belgium (213), Germany (197) and the United Kingdom (103). On the other hand, we also have some members residing in more exotic places on earth, such as Australia (1), Barbados (1), New Zealand (1) and Thailand (1).

## 2. <u>Annual General Assembly 2020</u>

The 2020 General Assembly will be held at SHAPE on Tuesday 26 May (and thus not on Wednesday 20 May, as initially mentioned in our previous Bulletin). We will have our traditional dinner on the evening before, Monday 25 May. You will receive further details on these events in our next ANARCP Bulletin. Your attendance will be very much appreciated. So please 'save the dates' (the new ones now that is).

#### 3. <u>Elections 2020</u>

Two of our current Executive Committee members have expressed their desire to no longer serve as an EXCOM member: Jean Delor (our treasurer), and Falko Bülling (who is our specialist in NATO Healthcare matters and who represents the ANARCP in different fora on the NATO Health Insurances).

Therefore, we are looking for at least two candidates to stand for election to the ANARCP Executive Committee to replace Jean and Falko.

Each of you is of course welcome to apply, but in view of the specific tasks assumed within the EXCOM by these two outgoing members, I would like to draw the attention to the following:

- a. To fulfill the task of the treasurer we are looking for somebody who can ensure the correct management of the ANARCP accounts, in accordance with the SHAPE requirement, including all income and expenditure, and to present the accounts as and when required by, and to, the Executive Committee. To do so, you do not need a Master's Degree or a Ph.D. in Finance or Economics. A sound level of common sense and dedication will already take you far enough.
- b. To step into Falko's shoes as our specialist in the NATO Health/Insurance matters, you do not need to be Medical Doctor, nor an Insurance Actuary, but some background knowledge

of, and experience with, the NATO healthcare system and some of their fora will certainly help.

Enclosed at Annex A is the form for the nomination of candidates for the Executive Committee. The form should be returned before the end of February 2020. Please, take this opportunity to nominate yourself, or any ANARCP member who would like to serve on the Executive Committee of our Association.

The ballot will take place by mail or e-mail before our next Annual General Assembly. The details of the ballot will be given in the next ANARCP Bulletin.

# 4. <u>ANACRP / CNRCSA / AAPOCAD</u>

Both the CNRCSA Newsletter 10 (15 January 2020) and the AAPOCAD Bulletin 64 (January 2020) have been uploaded onto our ANACRP website under the below links:

https://anarcp.org/Joomla/images/documents/CNRCSA\_Newsletter\_10\_20200115\_ENG.pdf https://anarcp.org/Joomla/images/documents/AAPOCAD\_Bulletin\_64\_202001\_-\_ENG.pdf

Both documents provide very valuable information and up-dates on a lot of issues that are of importance for you as a NATO retiree, and I therefore strongly recommend that you take the time to read them.

I also take this occasion to respond to the question of some of our members on the relationship between our association ANARCP, the CNRCSA and the AAPOCAD.

As I am sure you already know, our ANARCP represents the interests of the retired NATO international civilians, and their survivors, of Headquarters and Agencies within Allied Command Europe, including commands and agencies associated with, or in the geographical area of, SHAPE. There are other, similar, associations within the NATO environment representing the interests of

retirees from other NATO entities:

- ARO (the International Association of Former, Retired NATO Civilian Staff and their Dependants): for retired (or former) staff of NATO HQ and the NATO Agencies in the Brussels area.
- NFSA (NSPA Former Staff Association): for the former staff of the NATO Support and Procurement Agency, may be still better known by some of you under its former name NAMSA.
- AROF (the Association of NATO Retirees in France), based at the RTI.

Although all these associations are completely independent, and have their own particularities, they operate under the umbrella of the Confederation of NATO Retired Civilian Staff Associations (CNRCSA), an official NATO Body, established in 2002 in application of the NATO Civilian Personnel Regulations. Each of the four associations (ANARCP, ARO, NFSA and AROF) is represented in the Executive Committee of the CNRCSA. Through your membership of the ANARCP you are also contributing to the financial resources of the CNRCSA.

To take it one step further, the CNRCSA is one of the members of the Association of Pensioned Staff of Co-Ordinated Organizations and of their Dependants (AAPOCAD). As the name says, the AAPOCAD is to represent and defend the interests of former members of staff of the Co-ordinated Organizations. Just as a refresher, the other co-ordinated organizations are: the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the European Space Agency (ESA), the Council of Europe (CE), the European Centre for Medium Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF), the European Organization for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (EUMETSTAT) and the former Western European Union (WEU). The AAPOCAD is the only pensioners' association which sits as of right and with a deliberative vote on the Committee of Staff Representatives (CSR) of the Co-Ordinated Organizations. The CNRCSA holds mandates at the Governing Board of the

AAPOCAD. Your membership of the ANARCP does not stretch out to automatically becoming a member of the AAPOCAD, but in view of this association's important contribution to the defense of our interests I strongly recommend you to also become a member of the AAPOCAD. More information can be found on their website <u>http://www.aapocad.org</u>. For your ready reference, a copy of the most recent AAPOCAD Brochure (including the Membership Form) can be found under annex B.

## 5. Internet and E-mail

Allow me to again request all members who still receive this Bulletin in hard copy, but who have an e-mail address to communicate that to us. It will make the life of our secretary and allow us to spend our financial means to better courses.

Talking about e-mail addresses, please note that we have – once more, but hopefully for a long period now - changed our official e-mail address into: <u>anarcp@cnrcsa.nato.int</u>.

On the other hand, our website is still (a)live and the link remained unchanged: <u>www.anarcp.org</u> There is a restricted part for members only. To login use the following Username : **anarcp** Password : **Iamretired** (first character upper case)

We are waiting to hearing from you.

Best regards. For the Executive Committee

Jean Vanderwal Chairman SHAPE, 29 January 2020

#### Annexes:

- A. ANARCP Elections 2020 Nominations
- B. AAPOCAD Brochure

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