



# Colegio Interamericano de Defensa

Clase

# 59

“La Mejor”



*“Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other.”*

*“El liderazgo y el aprendizaje son indispensables el uno al otro.”*

*“Liderança e aprendizagem são indispensáveis um ao outro.”*

*“Le leadership et l'apprentissage sont indispensables l'un à l'autre.”*

*-President John F. Kennedy*

# El Colegio



# **Historia de la Procesión Académica**

*El esplendor y vestimenta de la procesión académica introduce uno de los eventos más formales y significativos en la mayoría de las instituciones académicas. La procesión académica es una antigua tradición en la cual dignatarios de la universidad o colegio marchan juntos vistiendo indumentaria académica.*

*Heredado de las universidades medievales de los siglos 11 y 12, cuando las togas y capuchos de lana fueron usadas por los eruditos para calentarse en cuartos sin calefacción, el uso de indumentaria académica por parte de la facultad en la procesión fueron adoptadas en el año 2015 conjunto con la entrega de los primeros títulos de maestría acreditados por el Colegio Interamericano de Defensa.*



# Colegio Interamericano de Defensa

El Colegio Interamericano de Defensa está ubicado en el Fuerte Lesley J. McNair y se inauguró oficialmente el 9 de octubre de 1962 cuando el Secretario de Estado de los Estados Unidos, Dean Rusk, presentó el mobiliario en nombre del gobierno de los Estados Unidos. El Doctor José A. Mora, entonces Secretario General de la Organización de Estados Americanos, fue el principal orador durante la ceremonia de inauguración. La primera promoción, que consistía de 29 cursantes representando a 15 de los países americanos, recibieron sus diplomas el 20 de marzo de 1963 cuando el Vicepresidente de los Estados Unidos, Lyndon B. Johnson, pronunció el discurso de graduación e hizo entrega de los diplomas.

El Colegio Interamericano de Defensa es un instituto internacional de educación que depende y recibe el financiamiento de la Organización de Estados Americanos y de la Junta Interamericana de Defensa. Aprovecha los centros académicos y de investigaciones de la ciudad de Washington para el dictado de sus cursos además de efectuar viajes académicos externos a países americanos.



*Diseño gráfico que representa la foto oficial de la Clase 59.  
Tradición de cada clase en el Colegio desde su inicio en el 1962*

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# Letter to students



Graduates of Class 59 “La Mejor!”,

Well done!

In the midst of your academic studies, the world found itself in the middle of a global pandemic due to COVID-19, and you adapted. The agility you showed in pivoting from face-to-face classes to a distance learning educational modality was inspirational.

The fact remains that the world is not through this crisis yet. It is not over. And, many of you are returning to your countries where they are still on the growth side of the contagion curve. You already know that you will be able to apply the knowledge, experience, and networks you have cultivated to deal with this hemispheric problem.

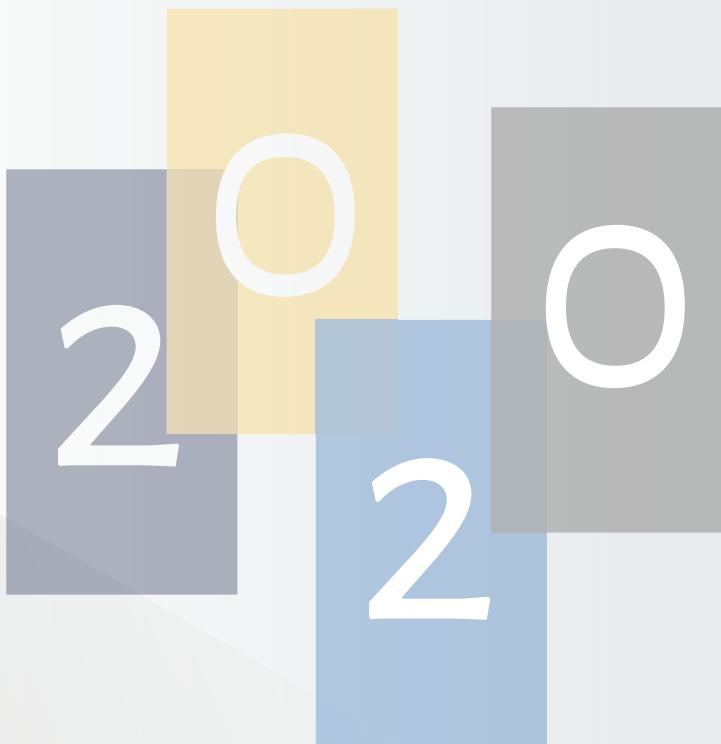
It is awe-inspiring that a little over 100 years ago, two of the buildings of our campus played a crucial role in mitigating the pandemic of 1918. Today, we remain engaged in those same buildings, in efforts that help mitigate this crisis for our communities.

You are all part of a long history of military, police, and diplomats who have come to the IADC to learn how to be international leaders who can solve complex problems throughout the Hemisphere. Many of the leaders in this Hemisphere who are actively working to help solve this current crisis are our Alumni—just like you!

You all have achieved something magnificent. Not only have you completed a rigorous academic program in the middle of a crisis, but also you have integrated as a class. Now it is your responsibility to use these established personal relations across this Hemisphere to build teams to solve complex problems and lift up those around you to succeed in just the same way you have.

It has been my privilege to serve as Director during your challenging academic year. Mahatma Ghandi issued a powerful mantra, “You must be the change you wish to see in the world.” Do so. Our hemisphere needs you to be a part of the solution.

JAMES E. TAYLOR  
Major General, U.S. Army  
Director



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# Liderazgo



# Director del CID

Major General James E. Taylor



Major General James E. Taylor, originally from Logan Utah, enlisted into the Iowa Army National Guard in December of 1982. In December of 1986, he was commissioned through the Reserve Officer Training Corps, and subsequently graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor's of Science in Biochemistry. He has earned several Master's Degrees including a Master's of Science in Biochemistry from Iowa State University; a Master's of Science in International Relations from Troy University; a Master's of Military Arts and Sciences from the US Army

Command and General Staff College; and, a Master's of Science in National Security Strategy from the National Defense University.

He has served at every echelon from Platoon to Army Staff. His assignments included numerous command, staff, and leadership positions-whose focus encompassed plans, operations, strategy, cyber intelligence, capability development, interagency task forces and joint and combined operations.

Selected for Brigadier General in 2014, he served as the Deputy Director of Plans, Policy and Strategy (J-5), North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) and United States Northern Command (NORTHCOM); Commander, US Army Element, NORAD and NORTHCOM; Deputy Director of Operations (J3) NORTHCOM; and, most recently as the Special Assistant to the Director of the Army National Guard for Cyber intelligence Operations, Plans, and Strategy. In 2018 he became the Director, InterAmerican Defense College.

Having served in a variety of theaters, his awards, badges, and decorations are consistent with those of most Soldiers who have had the honor to serve their country over a period of decades and the good fortune to return safely home. He is blissfully married to his wife Wendy. Together, they raised four children, and enjoy their grandchildren.

# Vice Director del CID

Contra-Almirante Silvio Luis Dos Santos



O Contra-Almirante Sílvio ingressou na Marinha do Brasil em 1982, no Colégio Naval, Angra dos Reis, Rio de Janeiro, tendo completado os três anos de ensino nível médio naquela Instituição de Ensino, no final de 1984. Em janeiro de 1985 iniciou seu Curso de formação de Oficiais na Escola Naval, sendo declarado, após quatro anos de estudos, Guarda-Marinha, em 1988. No ano seguinte (1989), realizou a terceira viagem de instrução no Navio-Escola “Brasil”, tendo concluído seu curso de Oficiais da Marinha em outubro daquele ano. Especializou-se em Armamento

no Centro de Instrução Almirante Wandenolk, em 1992, tendo realizado um curso de aperfeiçoamento em Sistemas de Controle e Armamentos com carga horária de mais de 1500 horas.

Em 2005, concluiu o mestrado relativo ao Curso de Estado-Maior para Oficiais Superiores da Marinha do Brasil na Escola de Guerra Naval, bem como um Curso de Master Bussiness Administration (MBA) em Gestão Empresarial pelo Instituto de Pós-Graduação e Pesquisa em Administração da Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (COPPEAD-UFRJ).

Durante sua carreira de mais de 37 anos na Marinha do Brasil, atuou nos seguintes Navios e Organizações Militares: Contratorpedeiro “Alagoas”; Fragata “Liberal”; Fragata “União”; Navio-Patrulha Fluvial “Pedro Teixeira” (Comandante); Comando da “Flotilha do Amazonas”; Escola de Guerra Naval, Comando de Operações Navais; Comando do 9º Distrito Naval (Chefe do Estado-Maior); Estado-Maior da Armada; Navio-Veleiro “Cisne Branco” (Comandante); Escola Superior de Guerra; e Diretoria-Geral do Material da Marinha.

Promovido a Contra-Almirante em 31 de março de 2018, assumiu o cargo de Assessor-Chefe da Diretoria-Geral do Material da Marinha, responsável pela assessoria direta ao Diretor-Geral do Material nos mais diversos temas afetos às políticas de obtenção, manutenção, apoio logístico e reaparelhamento dos meios navais e aeronavais da Marinha do Brasil, coordenando os esforços de diversas Diretorias Técnicas especializadas e atuando em projetos estratégicos da construção do núcleo do poder naval, da recuperação da capacidade plena e na aquisição e modernização dos diversos meios navais e aeronavais que compõem a Armada do Brasil.

# Jefe de Estudios del CID

## General Brigadier D.E.M. Rubén Darío Díaz Esparza



El General Díaz nació en la ciudad de México, ingresó al Ejército Mexicano en 1982 como cadete del Heroico Colegio Militar y concluyó satisfactoriamente sus estudios graduándose como Subteniente de Artillería en 1986.

Durante su carrera militar ha sido comandante de dos Regimientos de Artillería y posteriormente de una Brigada de Policía Militar; en el Estado Mayor de la Defensa Nacional (E.M.D.N.) se desempeñó como jefe de Moral y Disciplina, Jefe de la Subsección de Adiestramiento del Ejército y Fuerza Aérea

Mexicana y de Cuerpos Especiales, así como de Eventos Especiales.

En el Área Académica y Educativa ha sido profesor de diversas materias como Táctica de Artillería en el Heroico Colegio Militar, así como profesor de Estado Mayor, Guerra Irregular y Estrategia Militar, entre otras, en la Escuela Superior de Guerra; además de haber sido director de la Escuela Militar de Inteligencia. Su formación académica incluye estudios militares en México como el Curso de Formación de Oficiales en el Heroico Colegio Militar, el curso de aplicación en la Escuela Militar de Aplicación de las Armas y Servicios, Licenciatura en Administración Militar y Curso de Estado Mayor en la Escuela Superior de Guerra, Curso de Profesores de derechos Humanos y Derecho Internacional Humanitario, Maestría en Defensa Nacional y Seguridad Interior en el Colegio de Defensa Nacional. Sus estudios civiles incluyen el Diplomado en Análisis Político, Diplomado en Relaciones Internacionales para oficiales de Estado Mayor (S.R.E.), Diplomado en Análisis de Presupuesto basado en Resultados (S.H.C.P.y UNAM), Diplomado en Derechos Humanos (universidad “Lucía Botín”, España), Licenciatura en Derecho y actualmente se encuentra realizando la Maestría en Derecho Constitucional.

El General Díaz ha complementado sus estudios militares con diversos cursos en el extranjero como Operaciones Psicológicas y Tácticas Avanzadas en Estados Unidos de América, Curso de Comando y Estado Mayor y Curso de Derecho Internacional Humanitario en Guatemala, Curso de Estado Mayor General en los Estados Unidos de América, Curso de Operaciones de Paz en Chile y Curso de Seguridad Nacional en la República Popular de China.

# Distinguished Speaker

Secretary General Luis Almagro Lemes



Luis Almagro was re-elected for a second term as Secretary General of the OAS on March 20, 2020. He was first elected as Secretary General of the OAS on March 18, 2015, with the support of 33 of the 34 member states and one abstention. Upon taking up the leadership of the OAS, he announced that the central theme of his administration would be “more rights for more people” and that he would work “to be the voice of the voiceless.” His priority at the helm of the General Secretariat is to put the Organization in touch with people’s needs and the new realities in the Hemisphere, as well

as helping to ensure greater democracy, more rights, more security, and more development and prosperity for all.

As Secretary General, Almagro has prioritized defense of democracy and human rights in his daily work and has not hesitated to speak out when democracy and human rights are being trampled, as in the case of Venezuela, where he pressed for the enforcement of the Inter-American Democratic Charter (IADC), the “Constitution of the Americas,” as he calls it. He is the first OAS Secretary General to have invoked Article 20 of the IADC.

Pursuing a type of multilateral diplomacy predicated on principles, Almagro has also played an instrumental role in the search for solutions to the crisis in Nicaragua; he has put the struggle to restore democracy in Cuba at the very top of the regional agenda; he has increased OAS support for the Mission to Support the Peace Process (MAPP) in Colombia; he drove the creation of the Mission to Support the Fight Against Corruption and Impunity in Honduras (MACCIH), the first OAS mission of its kind; and he reinvigorated and expanded the OAS electoral observation missions, with the first-time deployment of missions in such countries as the USA and Brazil. Almagro also played a key role in ensuring elections in Haiti, mediated in the migrant crisis between the Dominican Republic and Haiti, and deepened diplomatic efforts in the territorial differendum between Belize and Guatemala in relation to the Adjacency Zone, among other initiatives.

After announcing his intention of hauling the OAS into the 21st century, he transformed and modernized the Organization's communications policy, bringing it closer to the citizens of the Hemisphere by giving it a more proactive presence on social media platforms. By mid-2017 the official OAS accounts had over 1 million followers. According to Twiplomacy, the Secretary General is the most followed leader of an international organization.

A career diplomat, he has extensive regional and international experience. Almagro was his country's foreign minister from March 1, 2010 to March 1, 2015. Under his tenure, Uruguay set new records for exports year after year. He also defined several landmark initiatives of President José Mujica's government that put the country on the global map. Uruguay decided to take in former prisoners from Guantanamo, granted asylum to dozens of Syrian families who were victims of their country's civil war, and secured the endorsement of GRULAC for its election to a seat on the United Nations Security Council in January 2016.

Almagro was also ambassador to China for three years, after occupying senior diplomatic posts in his country's foreign ministry and at its embassies in Germany and Iran.

In addition, he was elected as a senator in Uruguay's national elections in October 2014.

Almagro is a lawyer by profession and has seven children. Apart from Spanish, he speaks English and French.

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