



## **MAJOR GENERAL P.K. KEEN**

### **Chief of Staff Headquarters United States European Command**

MG Ken Keen was born in Hyden, Kentucky and graduated as a distinguished military graduate from Eastern Kentucky University in December 1974.

MG Keen has had numerous command and staff assignments throughout his 32 years of active duty service. He commanded light airborne infantry, Ranger, Special Forces, and Army Component units from the Detachment/Platoon to Regimental level, including Platoon Leader in the 2nd Battalion 17th Infantry, 7th Infantry Division; A Detachment (SCUBA), 3rd Battalion 7th Special Forces Group; Company Commander, 1st Battalion 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment; Battalion Commander, 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment and 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment; Regimental Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment; as well as the U.S. Military Group Commander, in Bogota, Colombia and Commander, U.S. Army South. His current tour as Director, European Plans, and Operations Center began September 2007.

His staff assignments include Special Forces Battalion Training Officer; Honduran Military Group Training Officer; Battalion Operations Officer for 1st Battalion, 325th Airborne Infantry Regiment; 82nd Airborne Division G5; Plans and Operations Officer for the United States Army Infantry Center; Assistant S3 and Regimental S5 for the 75th Ranger Regiment where he participated in Operation Just Cause; Battalion Operations Officer and Executive Officer for the 1st Ranger Battalion

Where he was the Ranger Task Force Commander during Operation Desert Storm; Special Assistant to the Commanding General of the United States Army Infantry Center and Fort Benning; and as the Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver) for the 7th Infantry Division (Light), Fort Carson, Colorado and Deputy Commander (Central) for 5th Army.

MG Keen's education includes a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics; a Master of Arts in Latin American Studies from the University of Florida; the Brazilian Command and General Staff College; and the U.S. Army War College. His awards and decorations include the Army Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (two Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (two Oak Leaf Cluster), Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Pathfinder Badge, SCUBA Diver Badge, Combat Infantry Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, and Master Parachutist Badge.