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Vice Admiral Guy Robinson CB OBE Chief of Staff



Guy Robinson joined the Royal Navy in 1986 as a warfare officer. His seagoing career has been primarily spent in frigates and destroyers, serving as a bridge watchkeeping officer, navigator and then Principal Warfare Officer. He has been fortunate to command three warships: the patrol vessel HMS GUERNSEY, the Type 42 Destroyer HMS EDINBURGH and the Type 45 Destroyer HMS DARING. In 2003, he commanded EDINBURGH during the combat phase of the 2nd Gulf War and was subsequently awarded a Mention-in-Despatches. In 2008 he operated from the Iraqi Khawr al Amaya offshore oil terminal as Commander Task Group 158.1, running operations in the Northern Arabian Gulf. In 2012, he took DARING on the first operational deployment of a Type 45 to the Middle East. From 2015 through 2016 he was the Deputy Commander of United Kingdom Maritime Forces, the Royal Navy's high readiness battle staff. During that assignment he assumed duties as Commander of Combined Task Force 150, the counter-terrorism task force operating in the Indian Ocean. In his most recent command assignment (2017-21) he was Deputy Commander

at Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO (STRIKFORNATO) based at Oeiras, Portugal; a deployable Joint battle staff whose primary role is the integration of high-end U.S. maritime capabilities into NATO operations.

During assignments ashore, Vice Admiral Robinson has served in the UK's Ministry of Defence (MoD), working as the financial programmer in the above water equipment capability area. He also served on the staff of Flag Officer Sea Training staff as Commander Sea Training where he was responsible for the training of all Royal Naval major warships, from frigates to aircraft carriers, as well as a multitude of ships from both NATO and non-NATO navies. As a captain he served in the MoD's Development, Concepts & Doctrine Centre (DCDC) where he was responsible for generating maritime concepts and high-level doctrine. His most recent shore assignment (2013) has been in Navy Command Headquarters as the Assistant Chief of Staff (Warfare), where he was responsible for the assessment of the Fleet's warfighting capability. He became Chief of Staff at Headquarters Allied Command Transformation in July 2021.

When in the UK, Vice Admiral Robinson lives in Hampshire with his wife Mel, a Commodore in the Royal Navy, and their two adult children Max and Maisie. He is a graduate of the UK Higher Command and Staff Course (2013), the US Coalition Force Maritime Component Commanders' Course (2015), the Royal College of Defence Studies (2017) and is an alumnus of the Windsor Leadership Trust. He holds a master's degree in defence studies from King's College London. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth appointed him as an Officer in the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in 2013. His Majesty The King appointed him as a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath in 2023.