

## **General Čad's warfare and the departure of the 13<sup>th</sup> JNA Corps from Croatia**

### **Abstract**

In order to be familiar with events in the Homeland War on the territory of western Croatia it is obligatory to assess the command and actions of the commandant of the 13<sup>th</sup> Rijeka Corps of the Yugoslav People's Army (JNA), the Lieutenant General Marijan Čad. Up until the signature of the agreement with the representatives of the Croatian Government in November 1991 the General consistently carried out tasks entrusted to him by the JNA commands that were his superior. Commanding the troops in the territory of Lika and Gorski kotar he directed the armed combat of the JNA and the rebelled Serbs troops within the attack operation at the Republic of Croatia in the autumn of 1991. By getting the troops of the 13<sup>th</sup> Corps out of the area of Rijeka General Čad fulfilled his war mission and most of all he kept his civil rights in the Republic of Croatia. He remained for the many in the public opinion the saviour of the city of Rijeka from the destruction of war. By considering the sequence of events and some lesser known facts the paper endeavours to give the complete picture and the based assessment of his role and responsibility in war conflicts until the signature of the agreement regarding the 13<sup>th</sup> Corps departing from Croatia.

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