



## Special Operations Command Europe **Captain Roben E. Alfonso** **SOCEUR Deputy Commander**

Captain Roben Alfonso assumed duties as the SOCEUR Chief of Staff in August, 2023. Captain Alfonso is a native of California and a 2002 graduate of the United States Naval Academy where he majored in Political Science. He attended Basic Underwater Demolition / SEAL (BUD/S) class 242.

Following training, Captain Alfonso was assigned to SEAL team SEVEN where he served as the Assistant Operations Officer, SEAL Platoon Assistant Officer in Charge, Special Reconnaissance Troop Commander, SEAL Platoon Commander, and SEAL Troop Commander in support of Operations IRAQI and ENDURING Freedom. He completed his Executive Officer tour at Special Reconnaissance Team TWO and Commander Officer tour at SEAL Team THREE, deploying as Commander, Task Force THREE overseeing Special Operations across the Arabian Peninsula. He further served as Chief Staff Officer, Naval Special Warfare Group ONE.

Captain Alfonso's diversity tours include Naval Special Warfare Unit THREE in Bahrain (Sensitive Activities), Special Operations Command Central (SOC-C) In Tampa, FL (Joint Task Force Deputy Operations) and the Joint Special Operations Command (SOCOM) in Fayetteville, NC (Deputy Chief of Current Operations). He attended graduate school at Princeton University (Masters of Public Policy).

He is married to the former Isha Alexander of Seattle, WA. They are proud parents of their son Roark.

