

# **APPENDIX 1**

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## **ABBREVIATIONS**

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## ABBREVIATIONS<sup>1</sup>

AAP Allied Administrative Publication	AGARD Advisory Group for Aerospace Research and Development (re-organised under the NATO Research and Technology Organisation (RTO) as the Research & Technology Agency)
AAYP Atlantic Association of Young Political Leaders	
ABM Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM Treaty of 1972)	AGS Alliance Ground Surveillance
AC Alliance Committee	AGS SC AGS Steering Committee
ACCIS Automated Command and Control Information System	AHWG Ad Hoc Working Group
ACCS Air Command and Control System	AJP Allied Joint Publication
ACO Allied Command Operations	ALCM Air-Launched Cruise Missile
ACT Allied Command Transformation	ALP Allied Logistic Publication
ADP Automated Data Processing	ALTBMD SC Active Layered Theatre Ballistic Missile Defence Steering Committee
ADREP Air Defence Representative	AOR Area of Responsibility
AEC Atlantic Education Committee	AP Allied Publication
AEW&CS Airborne Early Warning and Control System	APAG Atlantic Policy Advisory Group
	AQAP Allied Quality Assurance Publication

<sup>1</sup> This list includes most of the acronyms that appear in the Handbook as well as others in current use. It is not intended as an exhaustive list of all the acronyms in use at NATO.

ARW  
Advanced Research Workshop  
(NATO Science Programme)

ASG  
Assistant Secretary General

ASI  
Advanced Study Institute (NATO  
Science Programme)

ASR  
Alliance Standardization  
Requirements

ASW  
Anti-Submarine Warfare

ASZ  
Air Safety Zone

ATA  
Atlantic Treaty Association

ATMG  
Air Traffic Management Group

AWACS  
Airborne Warning and Control  
System

BICES  
Battlefield Information Collection and  
Exploitation System

BMEWS  
Ballistic Missile Early Warning  
System

BoD  
Board of Directors

BTWC  
Biological and Toxin Weapons  
Convention

C&EE  
Central and Eastern Europe

C3  
Consultation, Command and Control

CALS  
Continuous Acquisition and Life-  
cycle Support

CAPC  
Civil Aviation Planning Committee

CAPS  
Conventional Armaments Planning  
System

CAS  
Close Air Support

CASG  
CNAD Ammunition Safety Group

CBC  
Civil Budget Committee

CBM  
Confidence-Building Measure

CBRN  
Chemical, Biological, Radiological  
and Nuclear  
(weapons)

CCC  
Capabilities Coordination Cell

CCMS  
Committee on the Challenges of  
Modern Society

CCPC  
Civil Communications Planning  
Committee

CDE  
Conference on Confidence- and  
Security-Building Measures and  
Disarmament in Europe

CEP  
Civil Emergency Planning

CEPMA Central Europe Pipeline Management Agency	C-M Council Memorandum
CEPMO Central Europe Pipeline Management Organisation	CMC Chairman of the Military Committee
CEPS Central Europe Pipeline System	CMTF Civil-Military Task Force
CESDP Common European Security and Defence Policy	CMX Crisis Management Exercise
CFE Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE Treaty of 1990)	CNAD Conference of National Armaments Directors
CFSP Common Foreign and Security Policy	CNIS Communication, Navigation and Identification Systems
CHOD Chief of Defence	CNS Communications, Navigation and Surveillance Group
CIMIC Civil-Military Cooperation	COEC Council Operations and Exercise Committee
CIOMR Interallied Confederation of Medical Reserve Officers	COMCEN Communication Centre
CIOR Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers	COMEDS Committee of the Chiefs of Military Medical Services in NATO
CIS Commonwealth of Independent States	CP Capability Package
CIS Communication and Information Systems	CPC Civil Protection Committee
CJTF Combined Joint Task Force	CPC Conflict Prevention Centre
CLG Collaborative Linkage Grant	CPD Committee on Public Diplomacy
	CPX Command Post Exercise

CSBM  
Confidence- and Security-Building Measure

CSCE  
Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (from January 1995, Organization on Security and Co-operation in Europe, or OSCE)

CST  
Conventional Stability Talks

CTBT  
Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty

C3  
Consultation, Command and Control

CUSRPG  
Canada–United States Regional Planning Group

CWC  
Chemical Weapons Convention (1993)

DCA  
Dual-Capable Aircraft

DCI  
Defence Capabilities Initiative

DCMC  
Deputy Chairman of the Military Committee

DGP  
Senior Defence Group on Proliferation

DI  
Defence Investment Division

DIMS  
Director, International Military Staff (IMS)

DPC  
Defence Planning Committee

DPP  
Defence Policy and Planning Division

DPQ  
Defence Planning Questionnaire

DRC  
Defence Review Committee

DRG  
Defence Research Group (absorbed into the NATO Research and Technology Organisation (RTO))

DSACEUR  
Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Europe

EADRCC  
Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre

EADRU  
Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Unit

EAF  
Entity Armed Forces

EAPC  
Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council

EAPWP  
Euro-Atlantic Partnership Work Plan

EM  
Executive Management Division

EPC  
European Political Cooperation

ESA  
European Space Agency

ESDI  
European Security and Defence  
Identity

ESDP  
European Security and Defence  
Policy

EU  
European Union

EW  
Electronic Warfare

EWG  
Executive Working Group

FORACS  
NATO Naval Forces Sensors and  
Weapons Accuracy Check Sites

FRP  
Financial Rules and Procedures

GLCM  
Ground-Launched Cruise Missile

GNW  
Group on Nuclear Weapons

GSZ  
Ground Safety Zone

HLG  
High-Level Group

HLSG  
High-Level Steering Group

HLTF  
High-Level Task Force

HNS  
Host Nation Support

IATA  
International Air Transport  
Association

ICAO  
International Civil Aviation  
Organisation

ICB  
International Competitive Bidding

ICBM  
Intercontinental Ballistic Missile

ICI  
Istanbul Cooperation Initiative

ICIG  
Istanbul Cooperation Initiative Group

ICRC  
International Committee of the Red  
Cross

ICTY  
International Criminal Tribunal for the  
former Yugoslavia

IFOR  
Implementation Force  
(Bosnia and Herzegovina)

IFRC  
International Federation of the Red  
Cross and Red Crescent Societies

IGC  
Intergovernmental Conference

IISS  
International Institute for Strategic  
Studies

IMS  
International Military Staff

INF  
Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces  
(INF Treaty of 1987)

INFOSEC  
Information Security Branch

IO Interoperability Objective	KVM Kosovo Verification Mission
IPAP Individual Partnership Action Plan	LCC Logistics Coordination Centre
IPP Individual Partnership Programme (PfP)	LCMG Life Cycle Management Group
IPTF International Police Task Force (United Nations)	LTDP Long-Term Defence Programme
IRBM Intermediate-Range Ballistic Missile	LTS Long-Term Study
IRF Immediate Reaction Force(s)	M&TG Movement and Transportation Group
IS International Staff	MAP Membership Action Plan
ISAF International Security Assistance Force (Afghanistan)	MAPE Multinational Advisory Police Element
ISTB Information Systems and Technology Branch	MARAIRED Maritime Air Forces Mediterranean
JCP Joint Committee on Proliferation	MAREQ Military Assistance Requirement
JMC Joint Medical Committee	MCB Military Budget Committee
JWGDR (NATO-Ukraine) Joint Working Group on Defence Reform	MC Military Committee
KFOR Kosovo Force	MCDA Military and Civil Defence Assets
KLA Kosovo Liberation Army	MCG Mediterranean Cooperation Group
KPS Kosovo Police Service	MCJSB Military Committee Joint Standardization Board
	MCM Mine Countermeasures

MCWG Military Committee Working Group	MSIAC Munitions Safety Information Analysis Centre
MDF Main Defence Force(s)	MSU Multinational Specialized Unit
MDFS Missile Defence Feasibility Study	MTCR Missile Technology Control Regime
MEADS Medium Extended Air Defence System	MTRP Medium-Term Resource Plan
MEP Member of the European Parliament	NAADC NATO Analytical Air Defence Cell
MILREP Military Representative (to the MC)	NAAG NATO Army Armaments Group
MLM Military Liaison Mission	NAC North Atlantic Council
MLRS Multiple Launch Rocket System	NACC North Atlantic Cooperation Council
MNC Major NATO Command/Commander (renamed NATO Strategic Command/Commander)	NACCIS NATO Automated Command, Control and Information System
MND Multinational Division	NACMA NATO ACCS Management Agency
MOB Main Operating Base	NACMO NATO ACCS Management Organisation
MoD Ministry of Defence	NADC NATO Air Defence Committee
MOU Memorandum of Understanding	NADEFCOL NATO Defense College (also NDC)
MPA Maritime Patrol Aircraft	NADGE NATO Air Defence Ground Environment
MRCA Multi-Role Combat Aircraft (Tornado)	NADREPS National Armaments Director's Representatives
MSC Major Subordinate Command/ Commander	

NAEW&C  
NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control

NAFAG  
NATO Air Force Armaments Group

NAHEMA  
NATO Helicopter Design and Development, Production and Logistics Management Agency

NAMEADSMA  
NATO Medium Extended Air Defence System Design and Development, Production and Logistics Management Agency

NAMFI  
NATO Missile Firing Installation

NAMMA  
NATO Multi-Role Combat Aircraft Development and Production Management Agency

NAMMO  
NATO Multi-Role Combat Aircraft Development and Production Management Organisation

NAMP  
NATO Annual Manpower Plan

NAMSA  
NATO Maintenance and Supply Agency

NAMSO  
NATO Maintenance and Supply Organisation

NAPMA  
NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control (AEW&C) Programme Management Agency

NAPMO  
NATO Airborne Early Warning and

Control Programme Management Organisation

NAPR  
NATO Armaments Planning Review

NATINADS  
NATO Integrated Air Defence System

NATMC  
NATO Air Traffic Management Committee

NATO  
North Atlantic Treaty Organization

NATO PA  
NATO Parliamentary Assembly (also NPA)

NAU  
NATO Accounting Unit

NBC  
Nuclear, Biological and Chemical (weapons)

NC3A  
NATO Consultation, Command and Control Agency

NC3B  
NATO Consultation, Command and Control Board

NC3O  
NATO Consultation, Command and Control Organisation

NC3REPs  
Group of National C3 Representatives

NCARC  
NATO Conventional Armaments Review Committee

NCISS  
NATO Communications and  
Information Systems School

NCS  
NATO Committee for Standardization

NCSA  
NATO CIS Services Agency

NCSREPs  
NCS Representatives

NDC  
NATO Defense College (also  
NADEFECO)

NDMAA  
NATO Defence Manpower Audit  
Authority

NDMP  
NATO Defence Manpower Plan

NEASCOG  
NATO/EUROCONTROL ATM  
Security Coordinating Group

NEFMA  
NATO European Fighter Aircraft  
(EFA) Development, Production and  
Logistics Management Agency

NEFMO  
NATO European Fighter Aircraft  
(EFA) Development, Production and  
Logistics Management Organisation

NEPS  
North European Pipeline System

NETMA  
NATO Eurofighter 2000 and Tornado  
Development, Production and  
Logistics Management Agency

NETMO  
NATO Eurofighter 2000 and Tornado  
Development, Production and  
Logistics Management Organisation

NFR  
NATO Financial Regulations

NGO  
Non-Governmental Organisation

NHMO  
NATO HAWK Management Office

NHPLO  
NATO HAWK Production and  
Logistics Organisation

NHQC3S  
NATO Headquarters Consultation,  
Command and  
Control Staff

NIAG  
NATO Industrial Advisory Group

NICS  
NATO Integrated Communications  
System

NIDS  
NATO Integrated Data Service

NIG  
Networking Infrastructure Grant  
(NATO Science Programme)

NIMIC  
NATO Insensitive Munitions  
Information Centre

NMA  
NATO Military Authority

NMR  
National Military Representative (to  
SHAPE)

NNAG  
NATO Naval Armaments Group

NORAD  
North American Aerospace Defense  
Command

NOS  
NATO Office of Security

NPA  
NATO Parliamentary Assembly (also  
NATO PA)

NPC  
NATO Pipeline Committee

NPG  
Nuclear Planning Group

NPLO  
NATO Production and Logistics  
Organisation

NPS  
NATO Pipeline System

NPSC  
NATO Project Steering Committee

NPT  
Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of  
Nuclear Weapons (1968)

NRC  
NATO-Russia Council

NRF  
NATO Response Force

NSA  
NATO Standardization Agency

NSC  
NATO Security Committee

NSC  
NATO Supply Centre

NSIP  
NATO Security Investment  
Programme

NSLB  
NATO Standardization Liaison Board

NSN  
NATO Stock Number

NSO  
NATO Standardization Organisation

NSSG  
NATO Standardization Staff Group

NTG  
NATO Training Group

NUC  
NATO-Ukraine Commission

OCC  
Operational Capabilities Concept

ODIHR  
Office for Democratic Institutions and  
Human Rights

OECD  
Organisation for Economic  
Cooperation and Development

OHR  
Office of the High Representative  
(Bosnia and Herzegovina)

OMIK  
OSCE Mission in Kosovo

ONS  
Office of NATO Standardization

OPEC  
Organisation of Petroleum Exporting  
Countries

OPLAN  
Operational Plan

OPS  
Operations Division

OSCE Organization for Security and Co- operation in Europe (formerly CSCE)	PMF Political-Military Framework
PAD Panel on Air Defence	PMSC/AHG Political-Military Steering Committee/ Ad Hoc Group on Cooperation in Peacekeeping
PARP (PfP) Planning and Review Process	PNET Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty (1976)
PASP Political Affairs and Security Policy Division	PO Private Office of the Secretary General
PBEIST Planning Board for European Inland Surface Transport	PPCG Provisional Policy Coordination Group
PBOS Planning Board for Ocean Shipping	PRT Provincial Reconstruction Team
PC Political Committee	PSC Principal Subordinate Command/ Commander
PCC Partnership Coordination Cell	PSE PfP Staff Element
PCG Policy Coordination Group	PSI Proliferation Security Initiative (United States)
PDD Public Diplomacy Division	PSO Peace Support Operations
PERM REP Permanent Representative (to the NAC)	PST Advisory Panel on Physical and Engineering Sciences and Technology
PfP Partnership for Peace	PTBT Partial Test Ban Treaty
PfP/SC Political-Military Steering Committee on Partnership for Peace	PWP Partnership Work Programme (PfP)
PIA Public Information Adviser	R&D Research and Development
PIC Peace Implementation Council	

R&T	SAR
Research and Technology	Search and Rescue
REA	SATCOM
Rapid Environmental Assessment	Satellite Communications
REACT	SC
Rapid Expert Assistance and Cooperation Team	Science Committee
RPC	SC
Regional Planning Committee	Strategic Commander
RPC WT	SCEPC
Regional Planning Committee Working Team	Senior Civil Emergency Planning Committee
RRF	SCG
Rapid Reaction Force	Special Consultative Group
RTA	SCMM
Research and Technology Agency	Standing Committee on Military Matters (Bosnian Peace Agreement)
RTB	SCP
Research and Technology Board	Security Cooperation Programme
RTO	SCR
Research and Technology Organisation	Senior Civilian Representative
SAC	SDI
Strategic Air Command	Strategic Defence Initiative
SACEUR	SEECAP
Supreme Allied Commander Europe	South East Europe Common Assessment Paper on Regional Security Challenges and Opportunities
SACT	SEEGROUP
Supreme Allied Commander Transformation	South East Europe Security Cooperation Steering Group
SALT	SEEI
Strategic Arms Limitation Talks	South East Europe Initiative
SALW	SFOR
Small Arms and Light Weapons	Stabilisation Force (Bosnia and Herzegovina)
SAM	
Sanctions Assistance Missions	
SAM	
Surface-to-Air Missile	

SG  
Secretary General

SGP  
Senior Politico-Military Group on  
Proliferation

SG PLE  
Standing Group of Partner Logistic  
Experts

SHAPE  
Supreme Headquarters Allied  
Powers Europe

SHARE  
Stock Holding and Asset  
Requirements Exchange

SITCEN  
Situation Centre

SLBM  
Submarine-Launched Ballistic  
Missile

SLCM  
Sea-Launched Cruise Missile

SLWPG  
Senior-Level Weapons Protection  
Group

SNF  
Short-Range Nuclear Force(s)

SNLC  
Senior NATO Logisticians  
Conference

SO  
Standardization Objective

SOFA  
Status of Forces Agreement

SPC  
Senior Political Committee

SPC(R)  
Senior Political Committee  
(Reinforced)

SRB  
Senior Resource Board

STANAG  
Standardization Agreement

START  
Strategic Arms Reduction Talks

TDA  
Tactical Decision Aid

TEEP  
Training and Education  
Enhancement Programme

TMD  
Theatre Missile Defence

UN  
United Nations

UNAMA  
United Nations Assistance Mission in  
Afghanistan

UNESCO  
United Nations Educational,  
Scientific and Cultural Organisation

UNHCR  
United Nations High Commissioner  
for Refugees

UNMAC  
United Nations Mine Action Centre

UNMIK  
United Nations Mission in Kosovo

UNOCHA  
United Nations Office for the  
Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

UNPROFOR  
United Nations Protection Force

UNSC  
United Nations Security Council

VCC  
Verification Coordinating Committee

VERITY  
NATO Verification database

WCO  
Western Consultation Office

WEAG  
Western European Armaments  
Group

WEU  
Western European Union

WG  
Working Group

WHO  
World Health Organization

WMD  
Weapons of Mass Destruction

WMDC  
Weapons of Mass Destruction  
Centre

WP  
Working Party

YATA  
Youth Atlantic Treaty Association