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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)
ABM AntiBallistic Missile (Treaty 1972)	
AC Alliance Committee	
ACCHAN Allied Command Channel	AIRCENT Allied Air Forces Central Europe
ACCIS Automated Command and Control Information System	AIRNORTHWEST Allied Air Forces Northwestern Europe
ACCS Air Command and Control System	AJP Allied Joint Publication
ACE Allied Command Europe	ALMC Air-Launched Cruise Missile
ACLANT Allied Command Atlantic	ALP Allied Logistic Publication
ADP Automated Data Processing	AMF ACE Mobile Force
AEW Airborne Early Warning	AOR Area of Responsibility
AFCENT Allied Forces Central Europe	AP Allied Publication
AFNORTH Allied Forces Northern Europe	APAG Atlantic Policy Advisory Group
AFNORTHWEST Allied Forces Northwestern Europe	AQAP Allied Quality Assurance Publication
AFSOUTH Allied Forces Southern Europe	ARRC ACE Rapid Reaction Corps

1 This list includes most acronyms which appear in the Handbook as well as others in current use. However all acronyms used within NATO are not included.

ARW Advanced Research Workshop (NATO Science Programme)	CAPS Conventional Armaments Planning System
ASG Assistant Secretary General	CAS Close Air Support
ASI Advanced Study Institute (NATO Science Programme)	CBC Civil Budget Committee
ASR Alliance Standardisation Requirements	CBM Confidence Building Measure
ASW Anti-Submarine Warfare	CCC Capabilities Coordination Cell
ATA Atlantic Treaty Association	CCMS Committee on the Challenges of Modern Society
AWACS Airborne Warning and Control System	CCPC Civil Communications Planning Committee
BALTAP Allied Forces Baltic Approaches	CDE Conference on Security and Confidence Building Measures and Disarmament in Europe
BICES Battlefield Information Collection and Exploitation System	CEE Central and Eastern Europe
BMEWS Ballistic Missile Early Warning System	CENTAG Central Army Group, Central Europe
BTWC Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention	CEOA Central Europe Operating Agency
CALS Continuous Acquisition and Life Cycle Support	CEP Civil Emergency Planning
CAPC Civil Aviation Planning Committee	CEPMO(A) Central Europe Pipeline Management Organisation (Agency)
	CEPS Central Europe Pipeline System

CFE
Conventional Armed Forces in
Europe (CFE of Treaty 1990)

CFE-IA
Concluding Act of the Negotiations
on Personnel Strength of the
Conventional Armed Forces in
Europe Treaty (1992)

CFSP
Common Foreign and Security
Policy

CHANCOM
Channel Committee

CIMIC
Civil/Military Cooperation

CINCEASTLANT
Commander-in-Chief Eastern
Atlantic Area

CINCENT
Commander-in-Chief Allied Forces
Central Europe

CINCHAN
Allied Commander-in-Chief Channel
(position dissolved 1994)

CINCIBERLANT
Commander-in-Chief Iberian Atlantic
Area

CINCNORTH
Commander-in-Chief Allied Forces
Northern Europe

CINC SOUTH
Commander-in-Chief Allied Forces
Southern Europe

CINCUKAIR
Commander-in-Chief United
Kingdom Airforces

CINCWESTLANT
Commander-in-Chief Western
Atlantic Area

CIO
Chairman-in-Office (OSCE)

CIS
Commonwealth of Independent
States

CIS
Communications and Information
Systems

CJTF
Combined Joint Task Force

C-M
Council Memorandum

CNAD
Conference of National Armaments
Directors

COEC
Council Operations and Exercise
Committee

COMEDS
Committee of the Chiefs of Military
Medical Services in NATO

CONMAROPS
Concept of Maritime Operations

CP
Capability Package

CPC
Conflict Prevention Centre

CPC
Civil Protection Committee

CPSU
Communist Party of the Soviet Union

CPX
Command Post Exercise

CRG Collaborative Research Grant (NATO Science Programme)	DPQ Defence Planning Questionnaire
CSBM Confidence and Security Building Measure	DRC Defence Review Committee
CSCE Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (from January 1995, Organisation on Security and Cooperation in Europe or OSCE)	DRG Defence Research Group (absorbed into the NATO Research and Technology Organisation (RTO))
CST Conventional Stability Talks	DS Division of Defence Support
C3 Consultation, Command and Control	EADRCC Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Centre
CUSRPG Canada-US Regional Planning Group	EADRU Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Unit
CWC Chemical Weapons Convention (1993)	EAPC Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council
DCA Dual-Capable Aircraft	ESA European Space Agency
DCI Defence Capabilities Initiative	ESDI European Security and Defence Identity
DGP Senior Defence Group on Proliferation	EU European Union
DIMS Director International Military Staff (IMS)	EUROGROUP Informal Group of NATO European Defence Ministers (dissolved 1993)
DPAO Division of Defence, Planning and Operations	EV Expert Visit (NATO Science Programme)
DPC Defence Planning Committee	EW Electronic Warfare
	EWG Executive Working Group

FAWEU Forces Answerable to the Western European Union (WEU)	ICBM Intercontinental Ballistic Missile
FORACS NATO Naval Forces Sensors and Weapons Accuracy Check Sites	ICRC International Committee for the Red Cross
FRP Financial Rules and Procedures	ICTY International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
FSC Forum for Security Cooperation (OSCE)	IEPG Independent European Programme Group
FSU Former Soviet Union	IFOR Implementation Force (for Bosnia and Herzegovina)
GLCM Ground-Launched Cruise Missile	IGC Inter-Governmental Conference
GNW Group on Nuclear Weapons	IISS International Institute for Strategic Studies
GSZ Ground Safety Zone	IMS International Military Staff
HCNM OSCE High Commission on National Minorities	INF Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (Treaty, 1987)
HLG High Level Group	IO Interoperability Objective
HLTF High Level Task Force	IPP Individual Partnership Programme (PfP)
HNS Host Nation Support	IPTF United Nations International Police Task Force
IATA International Air Transport Association	IRBM Intermediate-Range Ballistic Missile
ICAO International Civil Aviation Organisation	IRF Immediate Reaction Forces
ICB International Competitive Bidding	

IS International Staff	MAREQ Military Assistance Requirement
JCP Joint Committee on Proliferation	MAS Military Agency for Standardisation
JSB Joint Service Board (MAS)	MBC Military Budget Committee
JWG Joint Working Group (NATO-Ukraine Joint Working Group on Defence Reform)	MBFR Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions
KFOR Kosovo Force	MC Military Committee
LANDCENT Allied Land Forces Central Europe	MCD Military and Civil Defence Assets
LANDSOUTH Allied Land Forces Southern Europe	MCG Mediterranean Cooperation Group
LANDSOUTHCENT Allied Land Forces South Central Europe	MCM Mine Countermeasures
LANDSOUTHEAST Allied Land Forces South Eastern Europe	MCWG Military Committee Working Group
LCC Logistics Coordination Centre	MDF Main Defence Forces
LG Linkage Grant (NATO Science Programme)	MEADS Medium Extended Air Defence System
LTDP Long-Term Defence Programme	MILREP Military Representative (to the MC)
MAG Movement and Transportation Advisory Group	MLM Military Liaison Mission
MAP Membership Action Plan	MLRS Multiple Launch Rocket System
MARAIMED Maritime Air Forces Mediterranean	MNC Major NATO Command/Commander (renamed NATO Strategic Command/Commander)

MOB
Main Operating Base

MOD
Ministry of Defence

MOU
Memorandum of Understanding

MRCA
Multi-Role Combat Aircraft
(TORNADO)

MSC
Major Subordinate Command/
Commander

MSU
Multinational Security Unit

MTRP
Medium Term Resources Plan

NAA
North Atlantic Assembly

NAADC
NATO Analytical Air Defence Cell

NAAG
NATO Army Armaments Group

NAC
North Atlantic Council

NACC
North Atlantic Cooperation Council

NACMA
NATO Air Command and Control
System (ACCS) Management
Agency

NACOSA
NATO CIS Operating and Support
Agency

NADC
NATO Air Defence Committee

NADEFCOL
NATO Defense College

NADGE
NATO Air Defence Ground
Environment

NAEWF
NATO Airborne Early Warning
Forces

NAFAG
NATO Airforce Armaments Group

NAHEMA
NATO Helicopter (NH90) Design,
Development, Production and
Logistics Management Agency

NAMEADSMA
NATO Medium Extended Air
Defence System 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 Periodic Review

NATO
North Atlantic Treaty Organisation

NAU
NATO Accounting Unit

NAVNORTHWEST
Allied Naval Forces North Western
Europe

NAVOCFORMED
Naval On-Call Force, Mediterranean

NAVSOUTH
Allied Naval Forces Southern
Europe

NBC
Nuclear, Biological and Chemical
Weapons

NCARC
NATO Conventional Armaments
Review Committee

NCCIS
NATO Command, Control and
Information System

NCISS
NATO Communications and
Information Systems School

NC3A
NATO Consultation, Command and
Control Agency

NC3B
NATO Consultation, Command and
Control Board

NC3O
NATO Consultation, Command and
Control Organisation

NDC
NATO Defense College

NDMC
NATO Defence Manpower
Committee

NDMP
NATO Defence Manpower Plan

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

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

NEPS
North European Pipeline System

NETMO(A)
NATO Eurofighter 2000 and
TORNADO Development, Production
and Logistics Management
Organisation (Agency)

NFR
NATO Financial Regulations

NGO
Non-Governmental Organisation

NHMO
NATO HAWK Management Office

NHPLO
NATO HAWK Production and
Logistics Organisation

NHQC3S	NPS
NATO Headquarters Consultation, Command and Control Staff	NATO Pipeline System
NIAG	NPSC
NATO Industrial Advisory Group	NATO Project Steering Committee
NICS	NPT
NATO Integrated Communications System	Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (1968)
NIDS	NSC
NATO Integrated Data Service	NATO Supply Centre
NIG	NSIP
Networking Infrastructure Grant (NATO Science Programme)	NATO Security Investment Programme
NIMIC	NSLB
NATO Insensitive Munitions Information Centre	NATO Standardisation Liaison Board
NMA	NSN
NATO Military Authority	NATO Stock Number
NMR	NSO
National Military Representative (to SHAPE)	NATO Standardisation Organisation
NNAG	NTG
NATO Naval Armaments Group	NATO Training Group
NORAD	NUC
North American Air Defence System	NATO-Ukraine Commission
NORTHAG	OCC
Northern Army Group, Central Europe	Operational Capabilities Concept
NPC	ODIHR
NATO Pipeline Committee	Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights
NPG	OECD
Nuclear Planning Group	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
NPLO	OHR
NATO Production and Logistics Organisation	Office of the High Representative (Bosnia)
	ONS
	Office for NATO Standardisation

OPEC
Organisation of Petroleum Exporting
Countries

OSCE
Organisation for Security and
Cooperation in Europe (formerly
CSCE)

OTAN
Organisation du Traité de l'Atlantique
Nord

PA
Division of Political Affairs

PAPS
Periodic Armaments Planning
System

PARP
(PfP) Planning and Review Process

PBEIST
Planning Board for European Inland
Surface Transport

PBOS
Planning Board for Ocean Shipping

PC
Political Committee

PMF
Political Military Framework

PCC
Partnership Coordination Cell

PCG
Policy Coordination Group

PERM REP
Permanent Representative (to the
NAC)

PfP
Partnership for Peace

PIC
Peace Implementation Council

PJC
Permanent Joint Council (NATO-
Russia)

PMF
Political Military Framework

PMSC
Political-Military Steering Committee
on Partnership for Peace

PMSC/AHG
Political-Military Steering
Committee/AdHoc Group on
Cooperation in Peacekeeping

PNET
Peaceful Nuclear Explosion Treaty
(1976)

PO
Private Office

PPCG
Provisional Policy Coordination
Group

PSC
Principal Subordinate Command/
Commander

PSE
Partnership for Peace Staff Element

PSO
Peace Support Operations

PTBT
Partial Test Ban Treaty

PWP
Partnership Work Programme (PfP)

R&D
Research and Development

RRF
Rapid Reaction Force

R&T
Research and Technology

RTO
Research and Technology
Organisation

SAC
Strategic Air Command

SACEUR
Supreme Allied Commander Europe

SACLANT
Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic

SACLANTCEN
SACLANT Undersea Research
Centre

SALT
Strategic Arms Limitation Talks

SAM
Sanctions Assistance Missions

SAM
Surface-to-Air Missile

SATCOM
Satellite Communications

SC
Strategic Commander

SCEPC
Senior Civil Emergency Planning
Committee

SCG
Special Consultative Group

SCMM
Standing Committee on Military
Matters (Bosnian Peace Agreement)

SCP
Security Cooperation Programme

SDI
Strategic Defence Initiative

SEEGROUP
South East Europe Security
Cooperation Steering Group

SEEI
South East Europe Initiative

SFOR
Stabilisation Force

SfP
Science for Peace

SG
Secretary General

SGP
Senior Political-Military Group on
Proliferation

SHAPE
Supreme Headquarters Allied
Powers Europe

SHARE
Stock Holding and Asset
Requirements Exchange

SLBM
Submarine-Launched Ballistic
Missile

SLCM
Sea-Launched Cruise Missile

SLWPG
Senior Level Weapons Protection
Group

SNF
Short-Range Nuclear Forces

SNLC
Senior NATO Logisticians'
Conference

SO
Standardisation Objective

SOFA
Status of Forces Agreements

SPC
Senior Political Committee

SPC(R)
Senior Political Committee
(Reinforced)

SRB
Senior Resource Board

STANAG
Standardisation Agreement

STANAVFORCHAN
Standing Naval Force Channel

STANAVFORLANT
Standing Naval Force Atlantic

STANAVFORMED
Standing Naval Force Mediterranean

START
Strategic Arms Reduction Talks

STC
SHAPE Technical Centre

STRIKFORSOUTH
Naval Striking and Support Forces

TEEP
Training and Education
Enhancement Programme

UNHCR
United Nations High Commissioner
for Refugees

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

WEAG
Western European Armaments
Group

WEU
Western European Union

WG
Working Group

WHO
World Health Organisation

WMD
Weapons of Mass Destruction

WP
Working Party