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RATIONALIZATION, STANDARDIZATION, AND INTEROPERABILITY (RSI) ACTIVITIES

References: See Enclosure E.

1. Purpose. This instruction establishes policy, procedures, and responsibilities for conducting Rationalization, Standardization, and Interoperability (RSI) activities with allies and other multinational partners.
2. Superseded/Cancellation. CJCSI 2700.01F, Rationalization, Standardization, and Interoperability (RSI) Activities, 18 March 2015, is hereby superseded.
3. Applicability. This instruction applies to Department of Defense (DoD) Components that have responsibility for achieving RSI activities, regardless of which agency has lead responsibility. These components are the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Military Departments, the Office of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (OCJCS), the Combatant Commands (CCMDs), the DoD Office of the Inspector General, DoD agencies and field activities, and all other DoD organizational entities.
4. Policy. See Enclosure A.
5. Definitions. See Glossary.
6. Responsibilities. See Enclosure B.
7. Summary of Changes. This revision:
 - a. Revises language regarding RSI activities vice agreements in order to differentiate them from international, support, or cross-servicing agreements.
 - b. Removes the allied joint doctrine development responsibilities and oversight (added to reference a).

c. Conveys changes to the roles and responsibilities of the DoD Components, U.S. Delegation to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Military Committee (USDELMC), Joint Staff Directors, lead agents (LAs), U.S. Heads of Delegations (HODs), and other key stakeholders.

d. Outlines the revised NATO ratification process using the e-Reporting tool found on the NATO Standardization Office (NSO) web portal.

e. Updates Enclosure D (LA) tables to reflect current NATO and other multinational bodies, committees, working groups, and panels.

f. Provides a sample memorandum of agreement (MOA) for lead representatives to use when aligning DoD component effort in a particular RSI activity.

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- A -- Policy
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ENCLOSURE A

POLICY

1. Introduction. This policy encourages DoD Component participation in multinational organizations in order to enhance national security objectives. It is in the best interests of the United States that its Armed Forces be interoperable with our multinational partners. The 2018 National Defense Strategy states; “Our allies and partners came to our aid after the terrorist attacks on 9/11, and have contributed to every major U.S.-led military engagement since. Every day our allies and partners join us in defending freedom, deterring war, and maintaining the rules which underwrite a free and open international order”. Accordingly, international RSI activities should be conducted on a worldwide basis so U.S. forces are as interoperable as possible with multinational forces.

2. Scope. This instruction prescribes policy for conducting RSI activities in the areas of operations, concepts, doctrine, procedures, and training. It provides guidance for coordinating RSI activities.

3. Purpose. This instruction complements the references in Enclosure E for materiel, logistics, and Service equipment related RSI activities. It does not address compliance with materiel, weapons, communications, information technology, facilities, engineering practices, and terminology related RSI agreement references in Enclosure E. It does not address international, support, or acquisition and cross-servicing agreements (covered in references m through r in Enclosure E).

4. Terms of Reference

a. For the purposes of this instruction, RSI activities are:

(1) Any actions, efforts, events, undertakings, accomplishments, etc., that promote or enhance military interoperability with multinational partners.

(2) Military to military operational arrangements accepted by the United States to meet an interoperability requirement.

b. Rationalization is any action that increases the effectiveness of allied forces through more efficient or effective use of defense resources committed to the alliance (reference t).

c. Standardization is the process by which the DoD achieves the closest practicable cooperation among the Services and DoD agencies for the most efficient use of research, development, and production resources.

Within NATO, standardization is the activity of establishing, about actual or potential problems, provisions for common and repeated use aimed at the achievement of the optimum degree of order in a given context (reference u).

(1) Operational standardization enables U.S. forces to operate as effectively, efficiently, and safely as possible with the forces of allied, coalition, multinational, and/or friendly nations.

(2) Materiel standardization perpetuates harmonization of defense materiel capability needs, laying the groundwork for reciprocal international cooperation, specifically in the areas of research, development and testing, production, and procurement.

(3) Administrative standards facilitate alliance administration in various areas including terminology, finances, human resources, and military ranks.

d. Interoperability is the ability to act together coherently, effectively, and efficiently to achieve tactical, operational, and strategic objectives. Within NATO, interoperability is the ability to act together coherently, effectively and efficiently to achieve allied tactical, operational, and strategic objectives.

5. Guidance. Enhancing multinational military operations and warfighting capabilities is the key objective of all RSI activities. In light of agreements and geopolitical reality, participating in and actively contributing to RSI activities remains a U.S. priority. In addition:

a. RSI activities should be as flexible and practical as possible, directed at providing capabilities for the United States and multinational forces to operate and fight together using compatible operations, doctrine, equipment, technologies, training, and procedures.

b. U.S. positions must promote the optimum attainable RSI goals with the highest degree of consensus as practical.

c. U.S. participation in RSI activities is subject to fiscal, technical, legal, security, and policy considerations.

d. Achieving RSI coherence must involve timely and thorough coordination with many U.S. participants within the DoD Components, and when necessary, other federal departments and agencies.

e. U.S. representatives to international organizations or meetings must present consistent national positions in order to achieve RSI

coherence. Contradictory positions by different U.S. delegates undercut U.S. effectiveness and credibility. Therefore, thorough and fully coordinated staff work is essential throughout the conduct of all RSI activities to ensure all U.S. positions are in full and complete agreement.

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ENCLOSURE B

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Introduction. DoD Components will support RSI activities and provide staff officers/civilians and subject matter experts as required. Those involved in RSI activities must present a unified and consistent U.S. national position to all multinational bodies, forums, working groups, conferences, and so forth in which they participate. They will endeavor to promote them as positive instruments to foster improved military cooperation between the United States and its multinational partners.

2. Responsibilities

a. Office of the Secretary of Defense

(1) Establish comprehensive DoD policy on multinational interoperability and standardization.

(2) Provide policy guidance on the pursuit of interoperability and standardization with allies and coalition partners and International Standards Organizations.

(3) Consult with the CJCS on the interaction of interoperability and standardization, strategy, force objectives, and joint warfighting capabilities.

(4) Represent the DoD on the NATO Committee for Standardization (CS) and within International Standards Organizations.

b. Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff

(1) Identify opportunities for and impediments to improved interoperability of U.S. forces with allies and coalition partners.

(2) Encourage and monitor U.S. participation in international military RSI activities.

(3) Provide guidance for U.S. responses to NATO and international standardization and interoperability requirements.

(4) Promote international military RSI as a positive instrument to foster improved military cooperation between the United States and multinational partners.

(5) Advise the Secretary of Defense (SecDef) on the interaction between international RSI activities and national military force goals, planning, and programs.

(6) Consult with the DoD Components to identify opportunities for participation in RSI activities with those of multinational partners.

(7) Coordinate doctrine and operational concepts with those of U.S. allies and coalition partners to enhance interoperability and standardization.

(8) Validate the interoperability of capabilities among allies and coalition partners.

(9) Ensure there is appropriate U.S. representation at NATO meetings and other applicable international military meetings addressing both operational and materiel interoperability and standardization.

(10) Ensure the CCMDs actively support the pursuit of interoperability and standardization with multinational partners.

c. The Joint Staff. Joint Staff directorates will provide formal and informal coordination on all RSI activities, with particular emphasis on coordinating U.S. positions on NATO operational standards. Specific Joint Staff responsibilities are as follows:

(1) J-1 will oversee and coordinate on manpower and personnel related RSI activities and serve as the lead agency to the RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

(2) J-2 will oversee and coordinate on joint intelligence related RSI activities and serve as LA to the RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

(3) J-3 will oversee and coordinate on joint operations related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to the RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

(a) Counter-narcotics.

(b) Civil Emergency Planning.

(c) Crisis Management.

(d) Current Operations.

(e) Concept of Operations/Operations Plans.

- (f) Full Spectrum Cyberspace Operations Plans and Policy.
- (g) Deception.
- (h) Electronic Warfare.
- (i) Force Offerings and Generation.
- (j) Meteorology and Oceanography.
- (k) Multinational Interoperability Council.
- (l) NATO Crisis Response Measures.
- (m) NATO Precautionary System.
- (n) Operations Security.
- (o) Military Information Support Operations (NATO uses the term Psychological Operation).
- (p) Readiness.
- (q) Rules of Engagement.
- (r) Special Operations.
- (s) Suppression of Enemy Air Defenses.
- (t) Unconventional Warfare.

(4) J-4 will oversee and coordinate on joint logistics, engineering, and medical related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to multinational RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

- (a) Equipment, Maintenance, and Supply.
- (b) Explosives Safety and Munitions Risk Management (ESMRM).
- (c) Host-Nation Support.
- (d) Infrastructure.
- (e) International Logistics Cooperation and Mutual Support.
- (f) Logistic Organization and Planning.

(g) Mobility, Distribution.

(h) Mortuary Affairs, Contingency Contracting Base Camp Support.

(i) Petroleum, Oils, and Lubricants.

(5) J-5 will oversee and coordinate on defense planning, security assistance, peacetime engagement, and on all matters of international policy related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to multinational RSI entities designated in Enclosure D.

(a) Flags to Post.

(b) Contingency and Standing Defense Plans/Reinforcement
Planning.

(c) Air Defense Policy.

(d) Armaments Cooperation.

(e) Command and Organization.

(f) Conventional Arms Control Agreements.

(g) Joint Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (JCBRN)
Defense Planning.

(h) International Negotiations and Arms Control.

(i) Maritime Policy.

(j) Military Assistance Program Coordination.

(k) Integrated Air and Missile Defense.

(l) NATO Budget Issues.

(m) NATO Defense College.

(n) NATO Liaison with Other International Organizations.

(o) NATO Political Policy.

(p) Nuclear Policy and Deployment Plans.

- (q) Nuclear Weapons Policy.
- (r) Strategic and Tactical Concepts and Planning.
- (s) Technology Transfer.

(6) J-6 will oversee and coordinate on command, control, communications, and computer related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

- (a) Military Communications - Electronics Board.
- (b) Command and Control Information Systems and Procedures.
- (c) Command, Control, and Communications Systems Plans and Policies.
- (d) Satellite Communications.
- (e) Command and Control Security.
- (f) Radio Frequency Spectrum.

(7) J-7 will oversee and coordinate on the force development related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

- (a) Joint Concept Development and Experimentation.
- (b) Defense Capacity Building.
- (c) Training and Exercises.
- (d) Training, Exercise, and Evaluation Policy.
- (e) Joint Doctrine, Education, and Joint Terminology.
- (f) Joint Lessons Learned.
- (g) Unconventional Warfare.
- (h) In coordination with the DoD Components, periodically review the LA assignments (Enclosure D) with the multinational RSI entity and other interested parties to ensure U.S. interests are appropriately represented in all RSI activities.

(8) J-8 will oversee and coordinate on force structure, resource, capability, and assessment related RSI activities listed below and serve as LA to RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

(a) NATO Airspace Management and Identification System.

(b) JCBRN Defense Capability Development.

(c) New Weapons Requirements and Evaluation.

(d) Budget and Finance.

(e) Research and Development.

(9) The JS Surgeon will oversee Health Service Support related to RSI activities.

(10) The Office of the CJCS Legal Counsel will review and coordinate on legal related RSI activities, as well as review all proposed RSI agreements for legal sufficiency.

d. Combatant Commanders

(1) Review and coordinate on CCMD specific RSI activities as required.

(2) Identify opportunities for and impediments to improved interoperability of U.S. forces with allies and coalition partners.

(3) Monitor the development of international military RSI agreements applicable to their respective theaters (as appropriate).

(4) When appropriate, serve as LA to the RSI entities identified in Enclosure D.

e. U.S. Delegation to the NATO Military Committee (USDELMC)

(1) Represent the CJCS in all military committee (MC) actions and advise the CJCS on NATO matters.

(2) Coordinate with DoD Components on MC Standardization Board matters.

(3) Advise OSD on NATO Committee for Standardization matters concerning Joint and Service operational standardization.

- (4) Coordinate with the DoD Components on operational standardization matters when appropriate.
- (5) Provide DoD Components with standardization and meeting documents as needed.
- (6) Recommend and advise the DoD Components on LA appointments and responsibilities when appropriate.
- (7) Maintain awareness over the alignment of NATO bodies, committees, working groups, and so forth for which the United States provides representation and provide the proponent for this instruction with updates as appropriate.
- (8) When necessary, request formal staff action (through the USDELMC Liaison (LNO), Pentagon) to the Secretary of the JS in support of RSI activities for which there is no cognizant Joint Staff Directorate or OPR.
- (9) Ensure LAs are continually informed of ongoing developments within their assigned functional responsibilities.
- (10) Facilitate the deliverance of United States ratification responses (and other U.S. positions) to NATO as required.
- (11) Serve as the U.S. representative and LA to the Military Committee Joint Standardization Board (MCJSB).
- (12) When required, provide U.S. participation to MC Standardization Boards on behalf of the LA.
- (13) Establish procedures (in coordination with LAs) to follow when the United States participates in RSI activities at NATO hosted conferences, working groups, meetings, and so forth.

f. DoD Components. Establish procedures to fulfill their assigned LA responsibilities. These procedures will be harmonized with the procedures in appropriate references for participation in RSI activities in accordance with the provisions of this Instruction.

g. LA. The LA represents and acts on behalf of the SecDef or the CJCS for all RSI activities. The LA is determined based on the following principles:

- (1) LA responsibilities are generally fulfilled by the DoD Component with the preponderance of responsibility and expertise to oversee the given RSI activity.

(2) LA assumption is generally agreed upon based on mutual consent and support rather than formally appointed. In cases where there is a disagreement over which DoD Component should assume LA for a RSI activity, the J-7 (as proponent for this CJCSI) will prepare a thoroughly coordinated decision packet for approval by the Director of the Joint Staff.

(3) In addition, the LA will:

(a) Exercise oversight for assigned RSI activities.

(b) Ensure there is appropriate U.S. representation at standardization and interoperability meetings, as well as other applicable international military meetings.

(c) Provide the fully coordinated official U.S. position on an RSI activity.

(d) Program and fund participation in RSI activities as required.

(e) Appoint a head of HOD to serve as the principal representative to a national delegation participating in RSI activities.

(f) Appoint a point of contact to act as OPR for coordinating RSI agreements within their assigned area of responsibility.

(g) Monitor RSI activities to ensure RSI activities are consistent with U.S. law, policy, and doctrine.

(h) Maintain cognizance over the alignment of NATO RSI entities, bodies, committees, working groups, and so forth, for which the United States provides representation and provide the proponent for this instruction with updates as appropriate.

(i) Ensure the United States can achieve and maintain the maximum practical degree of consistency.

(j) Promote RSI activities that are sound and fully coordinated with interagency partners.

(k) Ensure RSI activities are mutually supportive and consistent with one another.

(l) Periodically review and assess RSI activities for relevance, implementation, and continued participation.

(m) Ensure DoD Components and other interested parties affected by RSI activities are engaged throughout the process and that they can fully support all agreed U.S. positions.

(n) Ensure all interested parties are continually informed of on-going developments within their assigned functional areas.

(o) Establish procedures to follow when the United States participates in RSI activities at multinational-hosted conferences, working groups, meetings, and so forth.

h. Heads of Delegation. The HOD is the principal U.S. representative of a national delegation participating in RSI activities (conferences, working groups, committee meetings, exercises, and so forth). The HOD:

(1) Represents the LA as chief national spokesperson and decision maker.

(2) Supports fulfillment of the LA responsibilities covered in subparagraph 2.g. above.

(3) Exercises overall responsibility for U.S. participation in international military RSI activity.

(4) May assign delegation members to represent the United States in all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, syndicates, and so forth.

(5) Establishes procedures to follow when the United States participates in RSI activities at allied hosted conferences, working groups, meetings, and so forth.

(6) Programs and funds participation in RSI activities as required.

(7) Serves (in most instances) as the primary U.S. RSI activity working level POC with other nations or organizations engaged in similar RSI activities.

(8) Manages and directs any negotiating processes involved in the represented RSI activity.

(9) During the development of a proposed allied military position, coordinate with and receive guidance from the appropriate LA.

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ENCLOSURE C

STAFFING

1. Introduction. RSI activities should be conducted on a worldwide basis so that U.S. forces are as interoperable as possible with multinational forces. The United States actively participates in multinational entities that meet regularly to address RSI activities. The LA is the initial U.S. entry point for coordinating RSI agreements. Where the United States has a permanent representation within a RSI activity or entity (e.g., the USDELMC at NATO), the U.S. permanent representative will ensure the LA is provided with all RSI requirements within their area of responsibility.

2. Coordination. DoD Components engaged in RSI activities will follow the staffing procedures in this enclosure when coordination is necessary for a formal RSI agreement. U.S. delegations must present consistent national positions based on consensus developed through conferences, meetings, working groups, committees, and so forth. Therefore, fully coordinated staff work is essential throughout the development of all RSI agreements in order to ensure that the resulting U.S. positions promote the optimum attainable goals of the United States and its allies or partners.

a. The LA will notify all interested parties of RSI activities requiring their attention.

b. The LA will ensure all interested parties are provided access to all documents needed to formulate a coordinated U.S. position on RSI activities and agreements. The documents may include:

(1) The charter, terms of reference, program of work, and other relevant documents governing the activities of the international forum.

(2) The convening order, calling notice, and draft agenda for the next meeting, conference, forum, working group, and so forth.

(3) The approved record of the preceding meeting, conference, and so forth.

(4) U.S. position papers dealing with the particular RSI activity.

c. The LA will ensure U.S. positions on RSI activities are fully coordinated with all interested parties.

d. All participants in RSI activities will ensure that applicable U.S. laws, policy, guidance, and doctrine are followed when developing U.S. national positions. If there is any doubt regarding the legal sufficiency of a U.S.

position, the LA is responsible for obtaining a legal review prior to submitting the formal U.S. response.

e. HODs and LAs must remain cognizant of the time constraints required to develop RSI agreements. A proper compromise must be reached between the desire for thorough staffing and the requirements for submitting national positions on time.

f. In cases where staffing results in non-concurrence or disagreement over a particular U.S. position, the LA will attempt to resolve divergent views in coordination with all concerned and arrive at an agreed U.S. position. Unresolved issues will be formally staffed with appropriate stakeholders, subject matter experts, and others as necessary in order to achieve consensus.

g. Upon achieving consensus for the RSI agreement, the LA will present the formal U.S. position to the RSI activity (or NATO permanent representative) informing all concerned DoD Components of the final U.S. national positions.

h. The LA will maintain a record of U.S. responses and positions on RSI agreements within their purview.

3. Participation. When participating in RSI forums, the LA will:

a. Ensure the HOD is fully versed on the specific RSI forum and the U.S. position. Advance preparation is usually attained by reviewing the event calling notice, agenda, convening order, program of work, etc., as well as the reports and minutes from the previous meeting, forum, etc.

b. Fully coordinate the U.S. position in advance of attending all international meetings. The HOD will compile all relevant information to include input from participating parties and, in coordination with the LA, develop the U.S. position. If a matter arises for which there is no U.S. position, the HOD will seek the consensus of the U.S. delegation, in coordination with the LA. All U.S. positions will be consistent with established U.S. laws, policy, doctrine, and procedures. Alternately, the HOD may also request deferral of the matter until a formal U.S. position can be reached.

c. Upon conclusion of the international forum, the HOD will complete a trip report capturing the meeting highlights. The HOD will ensure all required follow-up actions are completed as appropriate.

4. NATO Standardization. NATO enhances interoperability through standardization with the aim to strengthen alliance capabilities. Nations and NATO bodies develop, approve, and collectively implement agreed and accepted standards to optimize the use of resources in order to achieve and maintain the desired level of interoperability.

a. In line with U.S. policy (Enclosure A), the United States will endeavor to respond to all NATO standardization requirements seeking a U.S. national position.

(1) The USDELMC, in conjunction with the Joint Staff, is the focal point for NATO operational standardization to ensure the appropriate LA receives all NATO operational standardization requirements.

(2) The Defense Standardization Program Office (DSPO) is the focal point for materiel standardization policy and procedures.

b. Ratification is a process by which a NATO member nation determines its position regarding the implementation of a NATO standardization agreement (STANAG) (reference u).

(1) When the LA receives a standardization requirement, the LA formally staffs it with participating DoD Components in addition to other interested parties. The staffing action will seek a recommended ratification position, implementation details, and other comments as required (national ratification positions are defined in Enclosure E, reference u).

(2) Each DoD Component or interested party will review the requirement and provide their recommended ratification positions. The LA will compile all relevant information and establish a fully coordinated U.S. position.

(3) The LA will submit ratification responses to NATO via the e-Reporting tool found on the NATO Standardization Office web portal (see Enclosure D, Appendix B). The LA also notifies the appropriate USDELMC Standardization Board POC (via E-mail) that the ratification response has been submitted.

c. Once the United States ratifies the NATO standard, distribution of the document normally constitutes endorsement and acceptance of the agreement. DoD Components will determine the details of operational STANAG implementation in accordance with internal procedures. Materiel STANAGs will be implemented in accordance with the provisions of reference c.

d. The LA will maintain a record of the ratification responses, agreements, implementation reports, and related information as required. The LA will also conduct periodic inventories and assessments of all current U.S. ratified and approved NATO standardization documents to ensure their relevancy and adequacy.

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ENCLOSURE D

LEAD AGENT

1. Introduction. The LA represents the DoD on all RSI activities. LA responsibilities (Enclosure B) are generally fulfilled by the DoD Component with the preponderance of responsibility and expertise to oversee the given RSI activity.

2. RSI activities. The activities (working groups, entities, committees, etc.) listed below do not reflect a comprehensive roster of all RSI requirements that DoD Components participate in or may be asked to support.

a. RSI requirements, particularly those in NATO, are fluid and frequently change due to operational requirements. The most current committee structure and LA POCs can be found on the NATO Standardization Office Website or the U.S. DoD Acquisition Streamlining and Standardization Information System database.

b. The U.S. must remain flexible and adapt accordingly while adhering to the basic tenet to be as interoperable as possible with multinational forces.

3. Tables

a. NATO joint RSI requirements (Joint Staff as LA, HOD, or as the Joint Staff lead under a DoD Component).

Table 1: JS LA/HOD

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
JS(J-1)	MC	NATO Committee on Gender Perspectives (NCGP)
JS(J-1)	MC	NATO Defense Manpower Committee (NDMC)
JS(J-2)	MCJSB	Joint Intelligence Working Group (JINTWG)
JS(J-3)	MC	NATO Electronic Warfare Advisory Committee (NEWAC)
JS(J-3)	MCJSB	Meteorological and Oceanographic Working Group (METOC) (JS lead -- USAF and USN cover Military Meteorology/Oceanography panels respectively; supported by USA as needed.)
JS(J-4)	AC/112	NATO Petroleum Committee (NPC)
JS(J-4)	AC/112	NATO Fuels and Lubricants Working Group (NFLWG)
JS(J-4)	AC/112	Petroleum Handling Equipment Working Group (PHEWG)
JS(J-4)	AC/112	Bulk Fuel Strategy Working Group (BFSWG)
JS(J-4)	AC/305	Logistics Committee (LC)
JS(J-4)	AC/305	Movement and Transportation Group (M&TG)
JS(J-4)	AC/305	Logistics Committee Executive Group (LCEG)

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
JS(J-4)	AC/305	Explosives Safety and Munitions Risk Management ((ESMRM)
JS(J-4)	COMEDS	Committee of the Chiefs of Military Medical Services in NATO (COMEDS)
JS(J-4)	COMEDS	COMEDS Steering Group (COMEDSSG)
JS(J-4)	MC	MC Medical Standardization Board (MCMedSB) (LA – will designate HOD for all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)
JS(J-4)	MCJSB	Environmental Protection Working Group (EPWG)
JS(J-4)	MCMEDSB	Medical Standardization Working Group (MedStdWG)
JS(J-4)	MCMEDSB	Military Medical Structures, Operations, and Procedures Working Group (MMSOP)
JS(J-5)	AC/333	NATO Committee on Proliferation Defense Format (CP(D))
JS(J-6)	AC/322	Consultation, Command, and Control (C3) Board (C3B) (JS lead, OSD(CIO) is the LA and HOD. Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)
JS(J-6)	MCJSB	Information Exchange Requirements Harmonization Working Group (IERHWG)
JS(J-7)	MCJSB	Allied Joint Operations Doctrine Working Group (AJODWG)
JS(J-7)	MCJSB	NATO Training Group (NTG) (LA – will designate HOD for all subordinate task groups)
JS(J-7)	MCTC	Military Committee Terminology Conference
JS(J-7)	MCTB	Military Committee Terminology Board
JS(J-8) JIAMDO	AC/336	Air and Missile Defense Committee (AMDC)
JS(J-8)	MCJSB	Joint CBRN Defense Capability Development Group (JS lead, USA is the LA and HOD)
USDELMC	MCJSB	Military Committee Joint Standardization Board
USDELMC	MCMESB	Military Committee Maritime Standardization Board (Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)

b. NATO joint RSI requirements (DoD Components as LA/HOD).

Table 2: DoD Component LA/HOD

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
DDESB	AC/326	Conference of National Armaments Directors (CNAD) Ammunition Safety Group
DDESB	AC/326	Energetic Materials and Initiation Systems (SG/A)
DDESB	AC/326	Ammunition Systems Design and Assessment (SG/B)

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
DDESB	AC/326	In-Service and Operational Safety Management (SG/C)
DSCA	MCJSB	Financial Working Group (FINWG)
OSD	AC/327	Life Cycle Management Group (LCMG)
NGA	MCJSB	Joint Geospatial Standards Working Group (JGSWG)
OSD	AC/135	Group of National Directors on Codification
OSD	AC/23	Civil Protection Group (CPG)
OSD	AC/259	Conference of National Armaments Directors (CNAD)
OSD	AC/321	Committee for Standardization (CS)
DSPO	AC/321	CS Standardization Management Group (SMG)
OSD	AC/322	Consultation, Command, and Control Board (C3B)
OSD	AC/322	NATO C3-related Capability Teams (approx. 25)
OSD	AC/323	Science and Technology Board (STB) (Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)
OSD	AC/323	NATO Modeling and Simulation Group (NMSG)
OSD	AC/330	Joint Health, Agriculture and Food Group (JHAFG)
OSD	AC/331	Industrial Resources and Communications Services Group
OSD	AC/334	Working Group of National Technical Experts (WGNTTE)
OSD	AC/335	Resource Policy and Planning Board (RPPB)
OSD	AC/4	Investment Committee (IC)
OSD	AC/98	Civil Emergency Planning Committee (CEPC)
OSD	MCMEDSB	Medical Communication and Information System Expert Panel (MedCISEP)
OSD	MCMEDSB	Medical Information Exchange Requirements Expert Team (MedIER)
OSD	NTG	Steering Group NATO Training Group (SGNTG)
OSD	NTG	Executive Working Group NATO Training Group (EWGNTG)
OSD	NTG	Individual Training and Education Task Group (IT&ED NTG)
OUSD(I)	MIC	Military Intelligence Committee
USA	AC/225	NATO Army Armaments Group (NAAG)
USA	AC/225	Land Capability Group Dismounted Soldier (LCGDSS)
USA	AC/225	Land Capability Group on Vertical Lift (LCGVL)
USA	AC/225	Land Capability Group Land Engagement (LCGLE)
USA	AC/225	Land Capability Group Ground Based Air Defense (LCGGBAD)
USA	AC/225	Joint Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Defense Capabilities Development Group (JCBRNDCDG)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Detection, Identification, and Monitoring Panel (DIMP)

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Physical Protection Panel (PPP)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Doctrine and Terminology Panel (DTP)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Information Management Panel (IMP)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Training and Exercise Panel (TEP)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Hazard Management Panel (HMP)
USA	AC/225	J-CBRND-CDG Challenge Level Panel (CLP)
USA	AC/329	Transport Group (TG)
USA	AC/329	Transport Group In-land Surface Transport (TG IST)
USA	MCJSB	Military Meteorology Panel (MILMET)
USA	MCLSB	Integrated Capability Group on Indirect Fire (ICGIF)
USA	MCLSB	Inter-Service Ammunition Working Group (AMMOWG)
USA	MCLSB	Counter-Improvised Explosive Device Working Group (C-IEDWG)
USA	MCLSB	Combat Service Support Working Group (CSSWG)
USA	MCLSB	Military Engineering Working Group (MILENGWG)
USA	MCLSB	Explosive Ordnance Disposal Inter-Service Working Group (EODWG)
USA	MCLSB	Helicopter Inter-Service Working Group (HIWG)
USA	MCLSB	Asset Tracking Inter-Service Working Group (ASTWG)
USA	MCLSB	Land Operations Working Group (LOWG)
USA	MCLSB	Military Committee Land Standardization Board (Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)
USA	MCLSB	NATO Range Safety Working Group (NRSWG)
USA	MCLSB	Senior Land Information Exchange Requirements Panel (SLIER-P)
USA	MCMEDSB	Scientific Work/Literature Review (SWLR)
USA	MCMEDSB	Telemedicine Expert Team
USA	MCMEDSB	Standing Group Partners Medical Experts (SGPME)
USA	MCMEDSB	Medical Intelligence Expert Panel (MedINTP)
USA	MCMEDSB	Special Operations Medical Expert Panel (SOFM)
USA	MCMEDSB	Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Medical Working Group (CBRNMedWG)
USA	MCMEDSB	Force Health Protection Working Group (FHPWG)
USA	MCMEDSB	Military Health Care Working Group (MHCWG)
USA	NTG	Army Service Task Group (ARS TG)
USA	NTG	NATO Urban Operations Task Group (NUO TG)
USA	NTG	Training and Education for Peacetime Support Operations Task Group (TEPSO TG)
USA	NTG	Law of Armed Conflict Task Group (LOAC TG)
USA	NTG	Bureau for International Language Coordination (BILC) (HOD is Defense Language Institute)
USAF	AC/224	NATO Air Force Armaments Group (NAFAG)

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
USAF	AC/224	Joint Command and Control Community of Interest (JC2 COI)
USAF	AC/224	Aerospace Capability Group 2 on Effective Engagement (ACG2)
USAF	AC/224	Aerospace Capability Group 3 on Survivability (ACG3)
USAF	AC/224	Joint Capability Group on Intelligence Surveillance Reconnaissance (JCGISR)
USAF	AC/224	Aerospace Capability Group 5 on Global Mobility (ACG5)
USAF	AC/259	NATO Alliance Ground Surveillance (AGS)
USAF	AC/336	Air and Missile Defense Committee (AMDC)
USAF	AC/336 (AIRC2)	Air Command and Control System (ACCS) Steering Committee (AIRC2)
USAF	AC/336 (AIRC2-AHC)	ACCS Hardware Committee (AHC) and sub-committees
USAF	AC/336 (AIRC2-AAC)	ACCS Advisory Committee (AAC)
USAF	AC/336 (AIRC2-ASC)	ACCS Software Committee (ASC) and sub-committees
USAF	AC/336 (AIRC2-LCCB)	ACCS Life-Cycle Configuration Board (LCCB) and sub-committees
USAF	AC/92	Aviation Committee (AVC)
USAF	AC/92	Airworthiness Advisory Group (AWAG)
USAF	AC/92	Air Traffic Management – Communications, Navigation and Surveillance Advisory Group (ATM – CNS AG).
USAF	AC/92	NATO/Euro-control ATM Security Coordinating Group (NEASCOG)
USAF	MCASB	Military Committee Air Standardization Board (MCASB) (Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates.)
USAF	MCASB	Air-Air Refueling Working Group (AARWG)
USAF	MCASB	Air Electrical and Electromagnetic Considerations Working Group (AEWG)
USAF	MCASB	Aircraft/Aircrew Integration Working Group (AIWG)
USAF	MCASB	Aeromedical Working Group (AMDWG)
USAF	MCASB	Air Operations Working Group (AOWG)
USAF	MCASB	Aircraft Servicing and Standard Equipment Working Group (ASSEWG)
USAF	MCASB	Air Transport Working Group (ATWG)
USAF	MCASB	Avionics Systems Working Group (AVSWG)
USAF	MCASB	Flight Safety Working Group (FSWG)
USAF	MCASB	Aircraft Gaseous Systems Working Group (GGSWG)
USAF	MCASB	Joint Capability Group Unmanned Aircraft Systems Operational Syndicate (JCGUAS OS)

LA/HOD	NATO Body	Committee, Working Group, Panel
USAF	MCASB	Search and Rescue Working Group (SARWG) Personnel Recovery/Search and Rescue Working Group (PR/SARWG)
USAF	MCASB	Senior Information Exchange Requirements Panel (SAIERP)
USAF	NTG	Air Force Service Task Group (AFS TG)
USN	AC/141	NATO Naval Armaments Group (NNAG)
USN	AC/141	Above Water Warfare Capability Group (AWWCG)
USN	AC/141	Under Water Warfare Capability Group (UWWCG)
USN	AC/141	Ship Design and Capability Group (SDCG)
USN	AC/141	Joint Capability Group Unmanned Aircraft Systems (JCGUAS)
USN	MCJSB	Military Oceanography Panel (MILOP)
USNDHA	MCMEDSB	Emergency Medicine Expert Panel (EMed EP)
USNDHA	MCMEDSB	Medical Naval Expert Panel (MedN P)
USNDHA	MCMEDSB	Military Medical Training Panel (MMT)
USNDHA	MCMEDSB	Medical Blood Advisory Team (MedB)
USN	MCMSB	Maritime Operations Working Group (MAROPSWG) (Includes all working groups/sub-working groups, panels/sub-panels, or syndicates, etc.)
USN	MCMSB	Helicopter Operations From Ships Other Than Aircraft Carriers Working Group (HOSTACWG)
USN	MCMSB	Multinational Through-Deck and Aircraft Carrier Cross-Deck Operations Working Group (MTACCOPSWG)
USN	MCMSB	Maritime Logistics and Replenishment at Sea Working Group (ML&RASWG)
USN	MCMSB	Naval Mine Warfare Working Group (NMWWG)
USN	MCMSB	NATO Shipping Working Group (NSWG)
USN	MCMSB	Electromagnetic Environmental Effects and Radar Radiation Hazards Working Group (E3RADHAZWG)
USN	MCMSB	Submarine Escape and Rescue Working Group (SMERWG)
USN	MCMSB	Underwater Diving Working Group (UDWG)
USN USMC	MCMSB	Amphibious Operations Working Group (AMPHIBOPSWG)
USN	MCMSB	Senior Maritime Information Exchange Requirements Panel (SMIER-P)
USN	NTG	Naval Service Task Group (NAS TG)

c. American, British, Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand (ABCANZ) Armies' Program.

Table 3: ABCANZ

LA/HOD	Working Body
USA	Command Capability Group (CG COM)
USA	Capability Group Act (CG ACT)
USA	Capability Group Sense (CG SEN)
USA	Capability Group Shield (CG SHD)
USA	Capability Group Sustain (CG SUS)
USA	Support Group Futures (SG Futures)
USA	Support Group Exercise and Experimentation (SG E2)
USA	Support Group Science and Technology (SG S&T)

d. Five Eyes Air Force Interoperability Council (AFIC).

Table 4: AFIC

LA/HOD	Working Body
USAF	Aerospace Medicine Group (ASM)
USAF	Agile Combat Support Group (ACS)
USAF	Air Mobility Working Group (AM WG)
USAF	Command and Control, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C2&ISR)
USAF	Force Application Working Group (FA WG)
USAF	Force Protection Working Group (FP WG)
USAF	Fuels Working Group (FWG)

e. Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and United States (AUSCANNZUKUS) Five Eyes (FVEY) MIW Forum.

Table 5: AUSCANNZUKUS Maritime Information Warfare (MIW) Forum

LA/HOD	Body	Committee, Board, Working Group
USN	OWG	Operational Working Group
USN	PSCG	Permanent Support and Coordination Group
USN	ESC	Executive Steering Committee
USN	SB	Supervisory Board
USN	TWG	Technical Working Group
USN	EWG	Experimental Working Group
USN	CDWG	Cyber Defense Working Group

f. Multinational Command and Control Compatibility Boards (CCCB).

Table 6: Multinational CCCB

LA/HOD	Body	Multinational CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	ARE/US CCCB	United Arab Emirates/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	AUS/NZL /US CCCB	Australia/New Zealand/United States Trilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	AUT/US CCCB	Austria/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	BHR/US CCCB	Bahrain/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	CHE/US CCCB	Switzerland/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA (BDM3/CCM D	EGY/US CCCB	Egypt/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	FIN/US CCCB	Finland/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	JOR/US CCCB	Jordan/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	JPN/US IMB	Japan/United States Bilateral Interoperability Management Board (IMB)
DISA BDM3/CCMD	KWT/US CCCB	Kuwait/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	MOR/US CCCB	Kingdom of Morocco/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	MYS/US CCCB	Malaysia/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	OMN/US CCCB	Oman/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	PHL/US CCCB	Philippines/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	QAT/USC CCB	Qatar/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	SAU/USC CCB	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	SGP/US CCCB	Singapore/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	SWE/US CCCB	Kingdom of Sweden/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	THA/US CCCB	Kingdom of Thailand/United States Bilateral CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	KOR/US CCCB	Republic of Korea/United States Bilateral CCCB

LA/HOD	Body	Multinational CCCB
DISA BDM3/CCMD	PAK/US CCCB	Pakistan/United States Bilateral CCCB

g. Multinational Interoperability Council -- Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, United Kingdom, and United States

Table 7: Multinational Interoperability Council

LA/HOD	Working Group
JS(J-5)	Multinational Interoperability Council
JS(J-5)	Multinational Interoperability Council Steering Group (SG)
JS(J-5)	Operations Multinational Interoperability Working Group (Ops MIWG)
JS(J-5)	Operations Support Multinational Interoperability Working Group (Ops Sup MIWG)
JS(J-5)	Targeting MIWG

h. Other Allied and Multinational Entities.

(1) Joint Venture Oversight Group (Bilateral Agreement with the United Kingdom for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense) -- OSD

(2) Australia, Canada, United Kingdom, and United States Cooperative Program for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense -- OSD

(3) Chemical and Biological Defense Oversight Group Bilateral Agreement with France for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense -- USA

(4) The Technical Cooperation Program for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Defense -- OSD

(5) Canada-U.S. Military Cooperation Committee -- JS(J-5)

(6) NATO High Level Task Force on Conventional Arms Control -- JS(J-5)

(7) Combined Communications-Electronics Board -- JS(J-6)

(8) NATO Geospatial Board -- NGA

(9) Defense Geospatial Information Working Group -- NGA

- (10) Multinational Geospatial Coproduction Program -- NGA
- (11) Multinational Planning Augmentation Team Program -- USINDOPACOM (NOTE: This is a cooperative RSI program with no formal agreements).
- (12) Quinquupartite Combined Joint Warfare Conference -- JS(J-7)
- (13) NATO ACT Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Working Group -- JS(J-7)
- (14) NATO ACT International CD&E Conference -- JS(J-7)
- (15) NATO ACT Chiefs of Transformation Conference -- JS(J-7)
- (16) NATO ACT Regional Commanders Conference -- JS(J-7)
- (17) NATO ACT Allied Reach Seminar -- JS(J-7)
- (18) NATO Transformation Seminar (formerly Supreme Allied Commander Transformation Seminar) --JS(J-7)
- (19) Multinational Capability Development Campaign -- JS(J-7)
- (20) The Multinational Maritime Information Interoperability (M2I2) Services Board – U.S. Navy (OPNAV N2N6).

APPENDIX A TO ENCLOSURE D

SAMPLE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

1. This section is for information and describes the basic components of a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the various DoD Components involved in supporting the multinational bodies, entities, working groups, and panels where the United States is engaged in RSI activities.

a. An MOA is strongly recommended to describe clearly supported and supporting relationships regarding key issues such as information flow, staff coordination responsibilities, representation to allied meetings, and other requirements. A sample MOA outline is provided below and a more detailed MOA example can be found in reference r.

b. The recommended components of a MOA are shown here:

1. REFERENCE: (source document, date.)

2. BACKGROUND.

a. Mission. (Briefly describe.)

a. AUTHORITIES. (This paragraph is generally not required for MOAs between DoD Components. It should be included if the authorities of the parties are not obvious, or where a specific authority that generated the need for the agreement should be described.)

b. PURPOSE. (Describe the purpose of the MOA, usually to clarify information flow, staff coordination, and representation duties between the LA and their appointed HOD, delegates, and others as appropriate.) The MOA should include the following collective tasks:

(1) Ensuring consistent, enterprise wide positions on related subject matter.

(2) Developing coordinated U.S. positions in advance of all working groups, expert panels, and other meetings wherein U.S. approval will be sought.

(3) (For NATO WG) Providing a U.S. response to all STANAG and standardization recommendation (STANREC) staffing actions and other agreements as required (For NATO working group (WG)).

(4) Providing technical or administrative support when requested.

c. RESPONSIBILITIES. (Describe the responsibilities of the United States. LA, HOD, Delegates, Services, COCOMs, or DoD Components and others as required.)

d. EFFECTIVE DATE: (Provide the terms under which the MOA is in effect.)

e. ANNEXES, APPENDICES. (Add as required – some recommendations include an Org Chart; a Table outlining POCs – which NATO body/WG/Panel, and so forth, the US LA, OPR, or HOD; and formats such as a Trip Report.)

APPENDIX B TO ENCLOSURE D

NATO RATIFICATION PROCEDURE

1. Ratification is the process by which NATO partner nations establish their position regarding the implementation of a NATO STANAG. The US ratifies NATO standards in response to alliance needs. US delegates shall monitor implementation information and as required, take actions to implement those Allied standards that are critical to realizing interoperability goals.

a. NATO ratification procedures are detailed in reference t. The noteworthy change is that nations now provide ratification responses through the e-Reporting tool found on the NSO web portal at <https://nso.nato.int/>. This tool allows nations to directly input their ratification details into the tool, and to update them, as necessary.

b. US heads of delegation and others responsible for ratifying STANAGs are required to establish an NSO protected site account. Access is requested on the NSO home page in the upper right corner under “Request Access.”

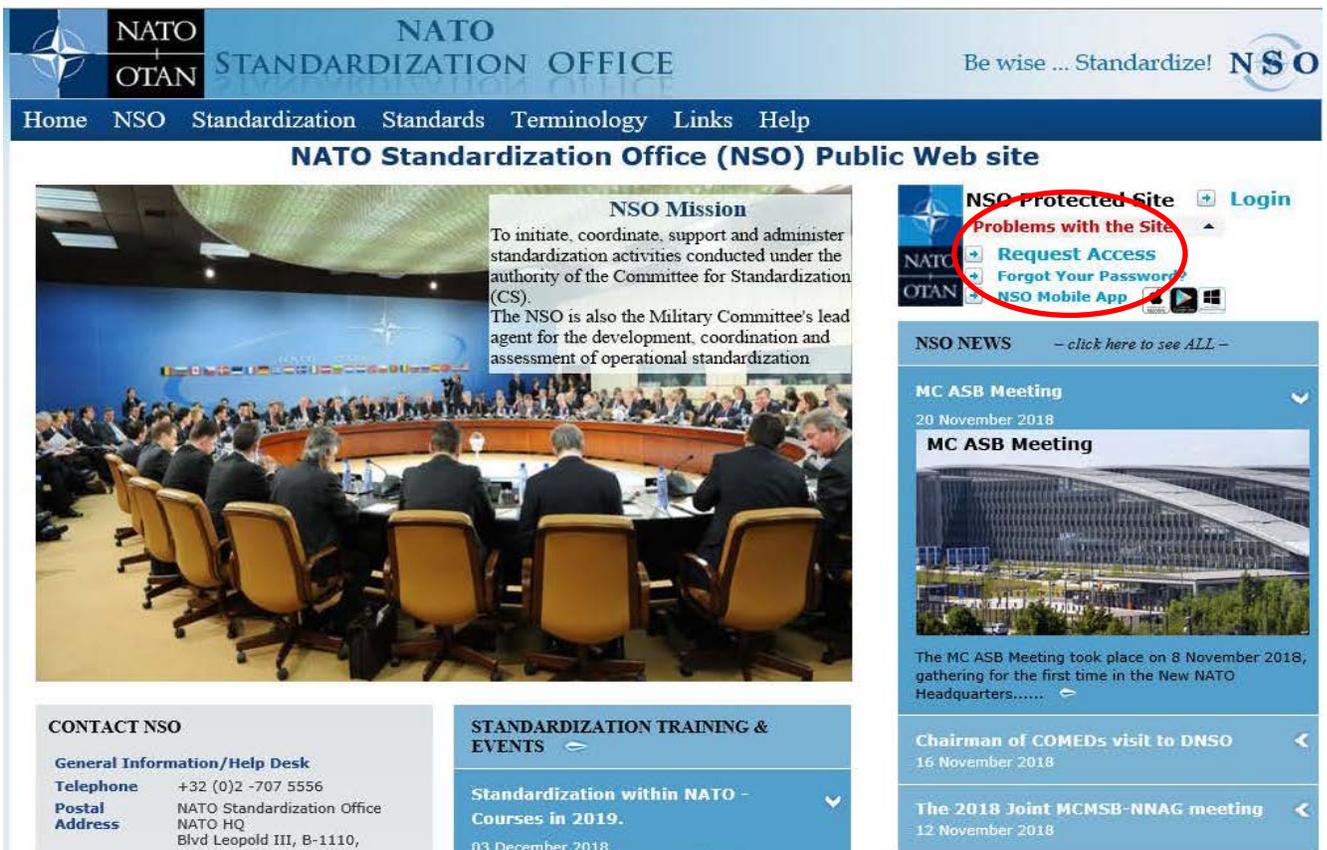


Figure D-B-1 – NSO Portal Homepage

c. The e-Reporting tool is found under the 'Links' tab at the top of the page. Once opened, the tool guides submitters through the input steps.

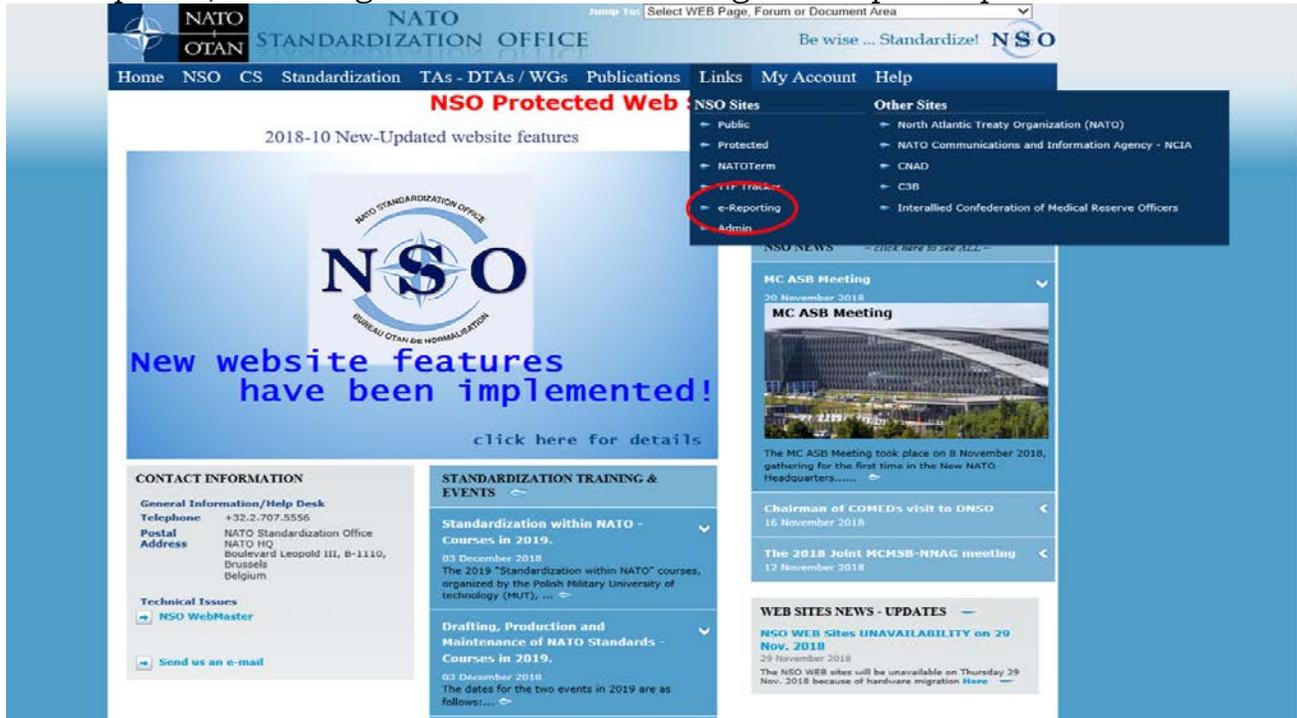


Figure D-B-2 – e-Reporting link

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- 4. JP 3-0, “Joint Operations”
- 5. JP 4-02, “Joint Health Services”
- 6. JP 5-0, “Joint Planning”
- 7. JSI 5711.01 Series, “Action Processing”
- 8. JSM 5100.01 Series, “Organization and Functions of the Joint Staff”
- 9. NATO Allied Administrative Publication (AAP)-47, “Allied Joint Doctrine Development”
- 10. NATO Military Committee Policy 20/10 (MC 20/10), “MC Policy for Military Operational Standardization”

GLOSSARY

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PART I – ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ABCANZ	American, British, Canadian, Australian, and New Zealand
AC	Atlantic Council (NATO)
ACCS	Air Command and Control System
AFIC	Five Eyes Air Force Interoperability Council
AUSCANNZUKUS	Australia, Canada, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and United States
C3B	Consultation, Command, and Control Board
CCMD	Combatant Command
CD&E	Concept Development and Experimentation
CJCS	Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
CNAD	Conference of National Armaments Directors
CS	Committee for Standardization
DISA	Defense Information Systems Agency
DoD	Department of Defense
DSCA	Defense Security Cooperation Agency
DSPO	Defense Standardization Program Office
ESMRM	Explosives Safety and Munitions Risk Management
HOD	Head of Delegation
JCBRN	Joint Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear
JCGUAS	Joint Capability Group Unmanned Aircraft Systems
JS	Joint Staff
LA	Lead Agent
LNO	Liaison Office
MC	Military Committee (NATO)
MCASB	Military Committee Air Standardization Board
MCJSB	Military Committee Joint Standardization Board
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NIPR	Non-Secure Internet Protocol Router Network
NSO	NATO Standardization Office

NTG	NATO Training Group
OPR	Office of Primary Responsibility
OSD	Office of the Secretary of Defense
RSI	Rationalization, Standardization, and Interoperability
SHAPE	Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers, Europe
SIPR	Secret Internet Protocol
STANAG	Standardization Agreement
STANREC	Standardization Recommendation
USDELMC	U.S. Delegation to the NATO Military Committee

PART II – TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

(Unless otherwise stated, the terms and definitions contained in this glossary are for the purposes of this instruction only)

Consensus – A general agreement characterized by an absence of declared opposition from any of the parties concerned. NOTE: consensus need not imply unanimity. Source: reference u.

Doctrine – Fundamental principles by which the military forces or elements thereof guide their actions in support of national objectives. It is authoritative but requires judgment in application. See also multinational doctrine; joint doctrine. Source: DOD Dictionary.

Harmonization – The process or results of adjusting differences or inconsistencies to bring significant features into agreement.

Head of Delegation – The principal U.S. representative of a national delegation participating in RSI activities (conferences, working groups, committee meetings, and so forth). Also called HOD.

Interagency – Of or pertaining to U.S. Government agencies and departments, including the DoD. Source: DoD Dictionary.

Interested Party – Any of the people or organizations who may be affected by a situation. Source: Cambridge dictionary.

Interoperability – The ability to act together coherently, effectively, and efficiently to achieve tactical, operational, and strategic objectives.

Lead Agent – The DoD Component with the preponderance of responsibility to oversee RSI efforts and activities on behalf of the United States. Also called LA. Upon approval of this document, this term and definition are proposed for addition to DoD Dictionary.

Materiel Standard – A (1) that specifies the common technical requirements for materiel throughout its life cycle. Source: reference u.

Multinational – Between two or more forces or agencies of two or more nations or Coalition partners. Source: JP 5-0.

Operational Standard – A standard that specifies the conceptual, organizational or methodological requirements to enable materiel, installations, organizations or forces to fulfil their functions or missions. Source: reference u.

Rationalization (1) – Any action that increases the effectiveness of allied forces through more efficient or effective use of defense resources committed to the alliance. Source: DoD Dictionary.

Rationalization (2) – The method of satisfying the requirements of more parties by using resources funded by the parties individually or in-group, to constitute coherent, interoperable and cost-effective service capacities that are operated, managed and maintained under mutually agreed arrangements. Source: reference u.

Reservation – The stated qualification by a nation that describes the part of international agreement that it will not implement or will implement only with limitations. Source: reference u.

Standard – A document established by consensus and approved by a recognized body. Source: reference u.

Standardization – The process by which the DoD achieves the closest practicable cooperation among the Services and DoD agencies for the most efficient use of research, development, and production resources, and agrees to adopt on the broadest possible basis the use of: a. common or compatible operational, administrative, and logistic procedures; b. common or compatible technical procedures and criteria; c. common, compatible, or interchangeable supplies, components, weapons, or equipment; and d. common or compatible tactical doctrine with corresponding organizational compatibility. Source: DoD Dictionary.

Standardization Agreement – A NATO standardization document that specifies the agreement of member nations to implement a standard, in whole or in part, with or without reservation, in order to meet an interoperability requirement. Also called STANAG.

Standardization Recommendation – A NATO standardization document used exclusively in the materiel field of standardization, that lists one or several NATO or non-NATO standards relevant to a specific alliance activity unrelated to interoperability. Also called a standardization recommendation.