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NATO ARMY ARMAMENTS GROUP (NAAG)

Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Land Capability Group Land Engagement (LCGLE)

1. On 30 November 2012, under Silence Procedure, the Land Capability Group Land Engagement approved the LCGLE Terms of Reference (ToR).
2. The LCGLE ToR is submitted to the endorsement of NAAG under a silence procedure by **31 January 2013**. If the LCGLE staff advisor Mr. Sam Henze (NATO ext 3659, henze.sam@hq.nato.int) hears nothing to the contrary **by 18:00 Hours on 31 January 2013**, the LCGLE ToR will be deemed to be approved.

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**LAND CAPABILITY GROUP LAND ENGAGEMENT
TERMS OF REFERENCE**

1. AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY

1.1. Land Capability Group Land Engagement (LCGLE) is responsible for the Land Engagement Capability. Applying a "Systems Approach", LCG Land Engagement's work covers all aspects of firepower, survivability and mobility as well as vehicle mounted systems, including weapon systems, communications and sensors.

2. MISSION

2.1. LCG Land Engagement's mission is to improve the capabilities of the land engagement elements of allied nations. Principally, this will be achieved through information exchange, the pursuit of standardisation and the identification/promotion of multilateral/bilateral cooperative activities.

3. TASKS

3.1. Support NATO priorities, in particular by providing leadership for Land Engagement aspects of the NATO Defence Planning Process, Smart Defence and the Connected Forces Initiatives.

3.2. Execute the NAAG-approved programme of work as directed via the Land Armaments Management Plan (LAMP) and advise the NAAG on land engagement issues.

3.3. Cooperate fully and maintain close liaison with the separate bodies of NAAG, the CNAD, the Military Authorities and other bodies of NATO, especially Allied Command Operations (ACO), Allied Command Transformation (ACT) and the Science & Technology Organization (STO), that have related interests in land engagement so that resources are complimentary and adverse duplication of effort is avoided.

3.4. Exchange information on national and multinational acquisition programmes, requirements, concepts and doctrines related to land engagement in general and combat and support vehicles in particular with a view to identifying areas for cooperative work.

3.5. Identify areas for standardisation, develop and maintain standards in accordance with AAP-3 and coordinate standardisation efforts with other standardisation bodies in order to improve interoperability of land engagement assets among allies.

3.6. Support the objectives of NATO armaments cooperation by identifying and pursuing cooperative programmes for the development and procurement of combat and support vehicles and associated components, equipment and systems using existing mechanisms such as Smart Defence and PAPS (Phased Armaments Programming System); recommend to the NAAG proposals for bilateral or multilateral cooperation.

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3.7 Monitor the development of new technologies related to land engagement, provide inputs to the NATO science and technology community and inform NATO long term research and technology requirements.

3.8. Direct and monitor the work of its subordinate bodies, as appropriate.

4. COMPOSITION AND ORGANISATION

4.1. LCG Land Engagement is a permanent, entitled Level 2 group under the NATO Army Armaments Group (NAAG). Its composition and organisation are in accordance with the guidelines set out in the Main Armament Group (MAG) Handbook.

4.2 Currently, the activities of the LCGLE are open to:

- Partnership for Peace (PfP) Nations
- Australia
- Japan
- New Zealand
- Republic of Korea

4.3. Opening of the LCGLE to new partners is subject to approval by the appropriate NATO authority, in accordance with current NATO policy guidelines, as detailed in the Main Armaments Groups (MAG) Handbook.¹

4.4. LCGLE may propose to CNAD to hold meetings at 28+n with selected partners provided that it brings added value to its work. CNAD will seek further political approval as appropriate, in accordance with PO(2011)0124.

4.5. LCGLE can hold NATO-only sessions.

4.6. LCGLE may involve relevant non-NATO entities, on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with the Political Guidance², within the guidance by Council and subject to approval by CNAD. Appropriate policy and technical pre-requisites³, such as existence of security agreements, apply.

4.7. LCGLE may invite representatives from relevant industries to exchange information with the group upon prior consent of the group.

4.8. LCGLE receives support from the International Staff.

¹ Contains procedures for practical cooperation with PfP, Mediterranean Dialogue (MD), Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI), Partners Across the Globe having a partnership program with NATO (PAG), as well as with key global actors and new interlocutors beyond the Euro-Atlantic area with which NATO does not have a formal partnership arrangement.

² C-M(2011)0022

³ C-M(2002)49; C-M(2002)50

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5. METHOD OF WORK

5.1. LCG Land Engagement will normally meet for two days twice a year at NATO Headquarters and/or other locations subject to approval by the appropriate NATO authorities.

5.2. The Chairperson will be expected to report to the NAAG at its regularly scheduled meetings twice each year.

5.3. LCG Land Engagement will work up to and including the classification NATO SECRET, but should use the lowest security classification appropriate.

5.4. LCG Land Engagement will follow the relevant procedures outlined in the MAG Handbook and by the NAAG.

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