

1987

- February Beginning of Conventional Mandate Talks (CMT)
- April Gorbachev speech in Prague acknowledging asymmetry in armed forces of the two sides
- June Reykjavik NATO Ministerial on autonomy of conventional stability talks within the framework of the CSCE
- June CMT: Warsaw Pact draft mandate tabled
- July CMT: NATO draft mandate tabled
- December US/USSR summit in Washington and signing of INF treaty

1988

- March NATO summit statement on conventional arms control
- July Gorbachev's speech in Warsaw
- July Warsaw Pact statement on talks on the reduction of armed forces and conventional armaments in Europe
- December Gorbachev's speech at UN on unilateral reductions
- December NATO Ministerial statement on conventional arms control

1989

- January Agreement on mandate for conventional stability talks to be known as Negotiation on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe
- February Ending of MBFR talks
- March Opening of Negotiation on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe and of second stage of talks on CSBMs