

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY REGARDING THE STATUS OF THEIR FORCES

The Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty signed in Washington on 4 April, 1949, (1) have agreed as follows:

Desiring however, to define the status of such forces while in the territory of another Party;

Recognizing that the forces of one Party may be sent by arrangement to serve in the territory of another Party and that the conditions under which they will be sent may be different from the conditions under which they will be sent to the territory of another Party;

Considering that the forces of one Party may be sent by arrangement to serve in the territory of another Party and that the conditions under which they will be sent may be different from the conditions under which they will be sent to the territory of another Party;

ARTICLE I

1. In this Agreement the expression—

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(a) "force" means the personnel belonging to the hands of an armed force of one Contracting Party when in the territory of another Contracting Party in the North Atlantic Treaty area in connection with their official duties provided that the Contracting Parties concerned may agree that certain individuals in formations shall not be regarded as components of the present Agreement;	5
(b) "civilian component" means the civilian personnel accompanying the force of a Contracting Party and who are not attached persons of that Contracting Party and who are not attached persons of any other Contracting Party;	35
(c) "force" means the personnel belonging to the hands of an armed force of one Contracting Party when in the territory of another Contracting Party in the North Atlantic Treaty area in connection with their official duties provided that the Contracting Parties concerned may agree that certain individuals in formations shall not be regarded as components of the present Agreement;	37
(d) "sending State" means the Contracting Party to which the force belongs;	39
(e) "receiving State" means the Contracting Party in the territory of which the force or civilian component is located, whether it be stationed there or passing in transit;	
(f) "military authorities of the sending State" means those authorities of a sending State who are empowered by its law to enforce the military law of that State with respect to members of its forces or civilian components;	
(g) "North Atlantic Council" means the Council established by Article 9 of the North Atlantic Treaty or any of its subsidiary bodies authorized to act on its behalf;	