



LOAD — Low-Altitude Defence (system)	NSG — Nuclear Suppliers Group	SDI — Strategic Defence Initiative
LRCM — Long-Range Cruise Missile	NTM — National Technical Means – Assets which are under national control for monitoring compliance with the provisions of an agreement. NTM include photographic reconnaissance satellites, aircraft-based systems (such as radar and optical systems), as well as sea- and ground-based systems such as radars and antennas for collecting telemetry.	SEWS — Satellite Early Warning System
LRTNF — Long-Range Theatre Nuclear Forces – Subsumed in I(RT)NF or TNF	NUF — Non-Use of Force	SIPRI — Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
MAD — Mutual Assured Destruction	NWFZ — Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone	SLBM — Submarine-Launched Ballistic Missile
MAP — Mutual Assured Protection; also used for Multiple Aim Point basing system for MX	NWMD — New Weapons of Mass Destruction	SLCM — Sea-Launched Cruise Missile
MARV — Manoeuvrable Re-entry Vehicle – Manoeuvrable MIRV	NWS — Nuclear-Weapon State or North Warning System	SRAM — Short-Range Attack Missile
MBFR — Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction (talks, negotiations) – Began in Vienna in 1973	PGM — Precision-Guided Munitions	SSBN — Nuclear-Powered Submarine Equipped with Ballistic Missiles
MIRV — Multiple Independently Targeted Re-entry Vehicle	PNE — Peaceful Nuclear Explosion	SSN — (SSBN Hunter) – Nuclear-powered attack submarine
MLF — Multilateral Force	PNET — Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty 1976	SSOD — Special Session on Disarmament – Also: UNSSOD
MPS — Multiple Protective Shelter – to shelter mobile versions of the MX	PUNE — Peaceful Use of Nuclear Energy	“Stand-Off Missile” — An air-launched I, missile that can be fired beyond the reach of enemy air defences, an ALCM, for example
MRTNF — Medium-Range Theatre Nuclear Forces	ROMB — Reduction of Military Budgets	START — Strategic Arms Reduction Talks – Substitute for SALT acronym
MRV — Multiple Re-entry Vehicle	RV — Re-entry Vehicle	TNF — Theatre Nuclear Forces – Also: INF or IRTNF
Mt — Megaton – Equivalent to 1 000 000 tons (or 1 000 Kt) of TNT	RW — Radiological Weapons – Any device other than a nuclear explosive, designed to employ radioactive material by disseminating it to cause destruction; any radioactive material other than that produced by a nuclear explosive device, designed for employment, by its dissemination, to cause destruction	TTBT — Threshold Test Ban Treaty 1974
MX — Missile Experimental	SAC — Strategic Air Command (US)	UNCOPUOS — United Nations Committee on Peaceful Uses of Outer Space
NATO — North Atlantic Treaty Organization	SALT — Strategic Arms Limitation Talks – Also: Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty	UNDC — United Nations Disarmament Commission
NBC — Nuclear-Bacteriological (Biological)-Chemical	SALT I — 1969-72	UNGA — United Nations General Assembly
NFU — No-First-Use	SALT II — 1972-79	UNSSOD — United Nations Special Session on Disarmament – Also: SSOD – UNSSOD I (1978) – UNSSOD II (1982)
NFZ — Nuclear-Free Zone – Also: NWFZ	SAM — Surface to Air Missile	WDC — World Disarmament Campaign
NGO — Non-Governmental Organization	SCC — Standing Consultative Commission – Bilateral forum responsible for implementation of strategic arms limitation agreements between the USA and USSR	WDF — World Disarmament Fund
NNA — Neutral and Non-Aligned		WPO — Warsaw Pact Organization
NNWS — Non-Nuclear-Weapon State		WTO — Warsaw Treaty Organization – Occasional substitute for “Warsaw Pact”
NORAD — North American Aerospace Defence (Command)		ZOPFAN — Zone of Peace, Freedom and Neutrality
NPT — Non-Proliferation Treaty		
NSA — Negative Security Assurances		