
Abstract

This paper examines issues relating to the problems of verifying agreements to reduce or limit military personnel. After a brief survey of historical examples of attempts to verify personnel and related limitations, the report focuses on the special characteristics of military personnel that will affect verification. Possible verification methods are reviewed and assessed, including records monitoring, on-site inspections, remote and short-range sensors, and special identity cards. The paper continues with a discussion of the relationship between personnel verification and the degree of information exchanged. Several areas for future research are suggested including possible field trials of the applicability of various verification methods.