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PREFACE

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This publication standardizes air-to-air, air-to-surface, surface-to-air, and surface-to-surface brevity code words. The scope is limited to those brevity codes used in multiservice operations and does not include words unique to single-service operations. While not authoritative in nature, all services agree to these brevity code meanings. These code words have been forwarded for inclusion or modification of current North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) brevity code words.

2. Purpose

This publication will ease coordination and improve understanding during multiservice operations.

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Chapter I

Multiservice Brevity Codes

ABORT	Directive call to cease action/attack/event/mission.
ACTION	Directive call to initiate a briefed attack sequence or maneuver.
(system) ACTIVE (location/direction)	Referenced emitter is radiating at the stated location or along the stated bearing.
ADD (system/category)	Directive call to add a specific (system) or (EOB category) to search responsibilities.
AJAX	Landing zone/pickup zone is clear of threats.
ALARM	Directive/informative call indicating the termination of EMCON procedures. Opposite of SNOOZE.
ALLIGATOR	Link-11/ TADIL A.
ALPHA CHECK	Request for/confirmation of bearing and range from aircraft to described point.