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Functional Area System – LAWFAS

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LAWFAS – What is it?

• Is a web portal, based on SharePoint, that creates a connected and interactive community of NATO and national legal offices to support, facilitate and improve legal support for the Alliance in its operations and activities;

• LAWFAS has become the only legal tool at the International, Operational and Managerial branches

• Supported and maintained by a team of two people – an international lawyer and a SharePoint Administrator;

• Provides the only organized searchable repository of legally significant NATO documents (5,000+ and growing); and

• Transforming the provision and support of NATO legal advice.

• Number of users:
  • Unclassified Network: 865
  • NATO Secret Network: 205

NATO Unclassified
The goal of LAWFAS is to capture relevant documents, facilitate document researches and ensure an easy access to all relevant information NATO-wide, as a Repository.

LAWFAS is an interactive tool, which provides legal support to NATO and Member States and Universities, acts as a Paralegal On-Line Service.

Legal Clinic with the universities (Roma Tre and Paris Pantheon Sorbonne) and research institutions on topics of interest:

- Autonomous Weapons and Humanitarian Access in Non-International Armed Conflicts (2018 Roma Tre)
- Detention in NIAC and Updated Commentaries to the 1949 Conventions (I) and (II) (2019 Roma Tre)
• How the home page is organized…
LAWFAS – You can find there...

**Documents:**
- **Treaties:** North Atlantic Treaty, *NATO SOFA*, *Paris Protocol*...
- **Agreements:** *HNS, MOUs, SAs, Garrison Support Arrangements (GSAs), Base Support Arrangements (BSA)*
- **Directives:** *ACO, ACT, Bi-SC Directive*
- **Standing Operations Procedures (SOPs)**
- **Policies**
- **STANAGs**

**Workspaces:**
- **EU-NATO**
- **Protection of Civilians**
- **Refugee Crisis**
- **Gender Workspace**
- **Roma Tre – Legal Clinic**

**Libraries:**
- **Hybrid Warfare/Lawfare**
- **Conferences and Courses**
- **Legal Gazette and Ops Newsletter**
- **RAP – Readiness Action Plan**

**Lists**
- **Useful Links**
  - **LAWFAS Selection**
  - **International Organizations**
  - **National Repositories**
  - **Research Institutions and Journals**
  - **International Databases**

**Calendar Events**
Clicking on “Documents” will bring you to our Document Library, the repository of all documents included on LAWFAS that are of interest to the Legal Community.

“NATO Documents” comprise a variety of NATO official documents organized by type (Treaties, Policies, Agreements, Doctrines, Directives, SOP/SOI, STANAG’s).

The Latest Uploaded Documents and Latest Uploaded References on the Document Library homepage.
THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY (1949)

**THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY**

The Parties to this Treaty reaffirm their faith in the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and their desire to live in peace with all peoples and all governments.

They are determined to safeguard the freedom, common heritage and civilization of their peoples, founded on the principles of democracy, individual liberty and the rule of law.

They seek to promote stability and well-being in the North-Atlantic area.

They are resolved to unite their efforts for collective

**Le Traité de l'Atlantique Nord**

Les États parties au présent Traité, réaffirmant leur foi dans les buts et les principes de la Charte des Nations Unies et leur désir de vivre en paix avec tous les peuples et tous les gouvernements.

Déterminés à sauvegarder la liberté de leurs peuples, leur héritage commun et leur civilisation, fondés sur les principes de la démocratie, les libertés individuelles et le règne du droit.

Soucieux de favoriser dans la région de l'Atlantique Nord le bien-être et la stabilité.

Résolus à unir leurs efforts pour leur défense collective
LAWFAS – You can find there…

GSA BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM AND SHAPE

The purpose of this GSA is to define the scope of support to be … dated 02 May 2006. 1-2. This GSA is concluded under the authority … in SHAPE Compound. 1-4. This GSA is developed pursuant to guidance … and Standards. 1-5. Nothing in this GSA is to be construed as …

Authors: Act See Legad Johnson Jessica  Date: 09/09/2014  Size: 1MB
https://lawfas.hq.nato.int/RC/Basic documents/GSA_BEL_SHAPE.pdf

Garrison Support Arrangement (GSA)

Between

THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF ROMANIA (ROU MoND)

and

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED POWERS EUROPE (SHAPE)

regarding

Base Support to DEPLOYABLE COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS MODULE E/2nd NATO SIGNAL BATTALION/NATO CIS GROUP (NATO DCM E/2nd NSB – BUCHAREST/ROMANIA)

GSA ROU 2NSB.pdf

1-3. The Participants to this GSA are the Ministry of National … Concept. 1-5. Nothing in this GSA is to be construed as authority … to OCM E/2nd NSB. In case this GSA or the references identified in …

For the purposes of this GSA it may also include any NATO Command …

Authors: Baquerizo. Victoria  Date: 20/07/2016  Size: 454KB
https://lawfas.hq.nato.int/ACOLO/Main Documents/GSA’s/GSA ROU 2NSB.pdf  View duplicates

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STANAG's Home Page

Standarization Agreements (STANAGs) are records of agreements among several or all member nations to adopt similar procedures. The NATO Standardization Agency (NSA) is responsible to initiate, coordinate, support and administrate standardization activities conducted under the authority of the NATO Committee for Standardization (NCS). The NSA pursues this mission with two types of standardization documents: Standardization Agreements (STANAGs) and Allied Publications (APs).

In order to check current published STANAGs please click below:

NATO STANDARDIZATION DOCUMENT DATABASE

24 August 2004

STANAG 1008 NAV (EDITION 9) – CHARACTERISTICS OF SHIPBOARD ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS IN WARSHIPS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY NAVIES

References:

a. AC/141-D/750 dated 28 June 2001 (Edition 9) (Ratification Draft 1)
b. MAS/59-NAV/1008 dated 21 February 1994 (Edition 8)

1. The enclosed NATO Standardization Agreement which has been ratified by nations as reflected in the NATO Standardization Document Database (NSDD), is promulgated herewith.

2. The references listed above are to be destroyed in accordance with local document destruction procedures.

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LAWFAS Links Home Page

In this site you can find several interested links organized by five categories:

- LAWFAS Selection
- International Organizations
- National Repositories
- Research Institutions and International Databases

AWFAS Selection
- NATO Multimedia Library
- NATO Legal Deskbook
- Legal Gazette Home Page
- LAWFAS How To
- LAWFAS Friendly User Guide
- Fight Against Terrorism – Conceptual Framework
- Phone Directory
- US Army JAG School
- STANAGs

National Repositories
- USA – United States Department of Defense
- USA – Treaty Office – US Department of State
- USA – Office of Foreign Assests Control – OFAC
- UK – Treaties Online – FCO
- NLD-Military legal Journal

Research Institutions and Journals
- IACHR – Loyola Law School – Los Angeles
- Centre for Human Rights – University of
LAWFAS Home page provides a significant amount of important information to the users.

- The “Calendar Events” advertises upcoming conferences, courses, workshops and other events of interest.
If you are looking for information which is not yet offered on LAWFAS, please do not hesitate to create a request for info.

The lawyers specialized in NATO matters will provide you a feedback.

You can follow up your requests by using My Requests. Your requests are handled privately and are not visible by other users.

In addition you can always email or call us:

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ACCESS TO LAWFAS *Unclassified Network* & *Commercial Internet*

- Do you have an official email address?
  
  If yes, I kindly ask you to go to:
  
  - [https://lawfas.hq.nato.int](https://lawfas.hq.nato.int)

- **Choose the first option:**
  
  - Register yourself to get access to the portal

- **Fill in all the mandatory fields**
  
  - Click on “Register”
  
  - Your account will be created soon
WHERE CAN YOU HAVE ACCESS? *(LAWFAS Unclassified)*

Wherever you are...

With different devices...

As soon as you have internet connection

- Wifi
- Data (3G or 4G)
- Cable

All LAWFAS users can access the information (Basic Legal Documents, Agreements, Policies, Directives, Current NATO Topics, etc.), anywhere, anytime, by using commercial internet. However we kindly recommend you to AVOID accessing LAWFAS within insecure networks, like for example: Airports, Shopping Centers, Free Internet Access Points, etc. This is a legal platform sponsored by the ACO Office of Legal Affairs that assists, facilitates and improves legal support for NATO in its operations and activities.

Do not hesitate to join us in order to explore further issues in our functionality

NOTE: ONLY UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON LAWFAS UNCLASSIFIED
# LAWFAS – Do not forget!

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<td>LAWFAS account can ONLY be created with an official email adress (INT; MOD; PT; CZ; EDU etc.)</td>
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<td>Senior Legal Name</td>
<td>Is the name of your supervisor/chief; In case you hold that position, write your name;</td>
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<td>Date when your mission will be completed</td>
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<td>The system generates an email for the users whose accounts are almost expired</td>
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When you request an account (NATO Unclassified Network and Commercial Network)

- LAWFAS administrator will receive your request
- After that, a message will be sent for you, with the:
  - “LAWFAS Privacy Notice Consent”
- If you agree with the “LAWFAS Privacy Notice”, please do not forget to answer that message by mail
- Only after your consent, your account can be created.
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