GLOSSARY

ABBREVIATIONS, ACRONYMS, AND DEFINITIONS

A2C2 Army airspace command and control
AAR after-action report
ABLS Advanced Burn Life Support
ACLS Advanced Cardiac Life Support
AFMIC Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center
AIT Aeromedical Isolation Team
AMEDD Army Medical Department
AMEDDC&S Army Medical Department Center and School
AML area medical laboratory
antiterrorism Defensive measures used to reduce the vulnerability of individuals and property to terrorist acts to include limited response and containment by local military forces.
AO area of operations
AOR area of responsibility
AR Army Regulation
ARC American Red Cross
ARSOF Army special operations forces
ASMB area support medical battalion
ASMC area support medical company
ATM advanced trauma management
attn attention
AXP ambulance exchange point
BAS battalion aid station
BATTLE FATIGUE

BIOLOGICAL

BILOGICAL WARFARE

COMMAND AND CONTROL

COALITION COORDINATION, COMMUNICATIONS, AND INTEGRATION CENTER

COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATIONS, COMPUTERS, AND INTELLIGENCE

CIVIL AFFAIRS

CHEMICAL BIOLOGICAL QUICK RESPONSE FORCE

CARGO HELICOPTER

CHEMICAL

COMBAT HEALTH LOGISTICS

COMBAT HEALTH SUPPORT

COMMANDER IN CHIEF

CIVIL AFFAIRS—(DOD) Those phases of the activities of a commander which embrace the relationship between the military forces and civil authorities and people in a friendly country or area or occupied country or area when military forces are present. Also called CA.

CIVIL WAR A war between factions of the same country; there are five criteria for international recognition of this status: the contestants must control territory, have a functioning government, enjoy some foreign recognition, have identifiable regular armed forces, and engage in major military operations.

CIVIL-Military operations

COA COURSE OF ACTION

COM CHIEF OF MISSION

COMBATTING TERRORISM—(DOD) Actions, including antiterrorism (defensive measures taken to reduce vulnerability to terrorist acts) and counterterrorism (offensive measures taken to prevent, deter, and respond to terrorism) taken to oppose terrorism throughout the entire threat spectrum.

CONUS CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

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counterinsurgency—(DOD)  Those military, paramilitary, political, economical, psychological, and civic actions taken by a government to defeat insurgency.

counterterrorism  Offensive measures taken to prevent, deter, and respond to terrorism.

country team  The executive committee of an embassy, headed by the Chief of Mission, and consisting of principal representatives of the government departments and agencies present (for example, the Departments of State, Defense, Treasury, Commerce, and the US Information Agency, US Agency for International Development, Drug Enforcement Agency, and Central Intelligence Agency).

crisis  An incident or situation involving a threat to the United States, its territories, citizens, military forces, and possessions or vital interests that develop rapidly and create a condition of such diplomatic, economic, political, or military importance that commitment of US military forces and resources is contemplated to achieve national objectives.

CS  combat support

CSC  combat stress control

CSH  combat support hospital

CSOP  clinical standing operating procedure

CSS  combat service support

CW  chemical warfare

DA  Department of the Army

DD/DOD  Department of Defense

DE  directed energy

DEA  Drug Enforcement Agency

DHHS  Department of Health and Human Services

DIA  Defense Intelligence Agency

DNBI  disease and nonbattle injuries

DOC  Department of Commerce

DOD/DD  Department of Defense
DOE  Department of Energy
DOEd  Department of Education
DOI  Department of the Interior
DOJ  Department of Justice
DOL  Department of Labor
DOS  Department of State
DOT  Department of Transportation
DVA  Department of Veteran Affairs
EAC  echelons above corps
EMT  emergency medical treatment
EPA  Environmental Protection Agency
EPW  enemy prisoners of war
ER  emergency room
ESF  emergency support function
evac  evacuation
FDA  Food and Drug Administration
FEMA  Federal Emergency Management Agency
FH  field hospital
FID  foreign internal defense
FLOT  forward line of own troops
FM  field manual (when used with a number)/frequency modulated
FOB  forward operating base

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**foreign internal defense—(DOD)**  Participation by civilian and military agencies of a government in any of the action programs taken by another government to free and protect its society from subversion, lawlessness, and insurgency. Also called FID.

**foreign military sales—(DOD)**  That portion of United States security assistance authorized by the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and the Arms Export Control Act of 1976, as amended. This assistance differs from the Military Assistance Program and the International Military Education and Training Program in that the recipient provides reimbursement for defense articles and services transferred.

**FRAGO**  fragmentary order

**FRERP**  Federal Radiological Emergency Response Plan

**FRP**  Federal Response Plan

**FSMC**  forward support medical company

**FST**  forward surgical team

**GH**  general hospital

**GP**  general purpose

**GPMRC**  Global Patient Movement Requirements Center

**GSA**  General Services Administration

**guerrilla warfare—(DOD, NATO)**  military and paramilitary operations conducted in enemy held or hostile territory by irregular, predominantly indigenous forces. See also unconventional warfare.

**HN**  host nation

**host nation—(DOD, NATO)**  A nation which receives the forces and/or supplies of allied nations and/or NATO to be located on, or to operate in, or to transit through its territory.

**humanitarian assistance**  Assistance provided by DOD forces, as directed by appropriate authority, in the aftermath of natural or man-made disasters to help reduce conditions that present a serious threat to life and property. Assistance provided by US forces is limited in scope and duration and is designed to supplement efforts of civilian authorities that have primary responsibility for providing such assistance.

**ICU**  intensive care unit
IDAD  internal defense and development

informational actions  Communication with a foreign government, its supporters, its opponents, and others to explain one’s own policies and actions.

infrastructure  In an insurgency, the leadership organization and its system for command and control. In a broader sense, the systems of communications and the institutions which support the political and economic functions of a society.

insurgency—(DOD, NATO)  An organized movement aimed at the overthrow of a constituted government through use of subversion and armed conflict.

interagency operations  Any action that combines the human and material resources of two or more independent organizations, whether they are governmental, international, or private, in the prosecution of a common objective.

internal defense and development  The full range of measures taken by a nation to promote its growth and protect itself from subversion, lawlessness, and insurgency. Also called the IDAD strategy.

interoperability—(DOD, NATO)  The ability of systems, units, or forces to provide services to and accept services from other systems, units, or forces and to use the services so exchanged to enable them to operate effectively together.

ISB  intermediate staging base

IV  intravenous

J3  Operations Directorate

J5  Plans and Policy Directorate

JSOA  joint special operations areas

JTF  joint task force

LAB  laboratory

LOC  lines of communications

MASF  mobile aeromedical staging facility

MAST  military assistance to safety and traffic

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MCBAT  Medical Chem-Bio Advisory Team
MED  medium
MEDCEN  medical center
MEDCOM  medical command
MEDDAC  medical department activity
MES  medical equipment set
METT-T  mission, enemy, terrain, troops and time available
MH  mental health

**military assistance programs—(DOD)**  That portion of the US security assistance authorized by the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, which provides defense articles and services to recipients on a nonreimbursable (grant) basis.

**military civic action—(DOD)**  The use of preponderantly indigenous military forces on projects useful to the local population at all levels in such fields as education, training, public works, agriculture, transportation, communications, health, sanitation, and others contributing to economic and social development, which would also serve to improve the standing of the military forces with the population. (US forces may at times advise or engage in military civic actions in overseas areas.)

ml  milliliter
MOPP  mission-oriented protective posture
MOS  military occupational specialty
MOUT  military operations on urbanized terrain
MRE  meals, ready to eat
MRI  medical reengineering initiative
MRO  medical regulating office
MSMC  main support medical company
MTF  medical treatment facility
MTT  mobile training team
MWD  military working dog

NATO  North Atlantic Treaty Organization

NBC  nuclear, biological, or chemical

NCA  National Command Authorities

NCO  noncommissioned officer

NCOIC  noncommissioned officer-in-charge

NCS  National Communications System

NDMS  National Disaster Medical System

NEO  noncombatant evacuation operations

NGO  nongovernmental organization

no  number

NP  neuropsychiatric

NRC  Nuclear Regulatory Commission

NWS  National Weather Service

OCONUS  outside the continental United States

ODA  operational detachment “A”

OIC  officer in charge

OMF  originating medical facility

OPLAN  operation plan

OPORD  operation order

OPSEC  operations security

OR  operating room

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OT  occupational therapy

PA  physician assistant

**peacekeeping operations**  Military operations, conducted with the consent of the belligerent parties to a conflict, to maintain a negotiated truce and to facilitate diplomatic resolution of a conflict between the belligerents.

**peacetime contingency operations**  Politically sensitive military operations normally characterized by the short-term, rapid projection or employment of forces in conditions short of war.

PL  public law

PMM  preventive medicine measures

POLAD  political advisor

POM  preparation for oversea movement

POR  preparation of replacements for oversea movement

PREOP  preoperative

**psychological operations**—(DOD)  Planned operations to convey selected information and indicators to foreign audiences to influence their emotions, motives, objective reasoning, and ultimately the behavior of foreign governments, organizations, groups, and individuals. The purpose of psychological operations is to induce or reinforce attitudes and behavior favorable to the originator’s objective. Also called PSYOP.

PSYOP  psychological operations

PT  physical therapy

pub  publication

PVNTMED  preventive medicine

PVO  private volunteer organization

**rationalization**—(DOD)  Any action that increases the effectiveness of allied forces through more efficient or effective use of defense resources committed to the alliance. Rationalization includes consolidation, reassignment of nation priorities to higher alliance needs, standardization, specialization, mutual support or improved interoperability, and greater cooperation. Rationalization applies to both weapons/materiel resources and nonweapons military matters.
RMC  regional medical command
ROE  rules of engagement
RTD  return to duty

S2  Intelligence Officer (US Army)
SAO  Security Assistance Organization

security assistance—(DOD)  Groups of programs authorized by the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and the Arms Export Control Act of 1976, as amended, or other related statutes by which the US provides defense articles, military training, and other defense-related services, by grant, loan, credit, or cash sales in furtherance of national policies and objectives.

security assistance organization  All DOD elements located in a foreign country with the responsibility for carrying out security assistance management functions. For example, military assistance advisory groups, military missions and groups, liaison groups, defense attache personnel, and other groups which perform security assistance functions. Also called SAO.

SF  Special Forces
SFOB  Special Forces operating base
SIMLM  single integrated medical logistics manager
SO  special operations
SOA  special operations aviation
SOC  special operations command
SOF  special operations forces
SOP  standing operating procedure
SOSB  special operations support battalion
SOSCOM  special operations support command
SR  special reconnaissance
SRT  specialty response team

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standardization—(NATO)  The process of developing concepts, doctrines, procedures, and designs to achieve and maintain the most effective levels of compatibility, interoperability, interchangeability, and commonality in the fields of operations, administration, and materiel.

TAML  theater area medical laboratory
TAMMIS  Theater Army Medical Management Information System
TBSA  total body surface area
TC  training circular
TDA  table(s) of distribution and allowances

terrorism—(DOD)  The unlawful use or threatened use of force or violence against individuals or property to coerce or intimidate governments or societies, often to achieve political, religious, or ideological objectives.

TF  task force
TM  technical manual
TO  theater of operations
TOE  table(s) of organization and equipment
TPMRC  Theater Patient Movement Requirements Center
TSOP  tactical standing operating procedure

UH  utility helicopter
UN  United Nations

unconventional warfare—(DOD)  A broad spectrum of military and paramilitary operations conducted in an enemy-held, enemy-controlled, or politically sensitive territory. Unconventional warfare includes, but is not limited to, the interrelated fields of guerrilla warfare, evasion and escape, subversion, sabotage, and other operations of a low visibility, covert, or clandestine nature. These interrelated aspects of unconventional warfare may be prosecuted singly or collectively by predominantly indigenous personnel, usually supported and directed in varying degrees by (an) external sources during all conditions of war or peace. Also called UW.

US  United States
USACHPPM  United States Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine

USAF  United States Air Force

USAID  United States Agency for International Development

USAISR  United States Army Institute of Surgical Research

USAMEDCOM  United States Army Medical Command

USAMRIID  United States Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases

USAMRMC  United States Army Medical Research and Materiel Command

USAR  United States Army Reserve

USAVERCOM  United States Army Veterinary Command

USCS  United States Customs Service

USDA  United States Department of Agriculture

USFS  United States Forest Service

USN  United States Navy

USPHS  United States Public Health Service

USSOCOM  United States Special Operations Command

UW  unconventional warfare

UWOA  unconventional warfare operations area

WHO  World Health Organization

WIA  wounded in action