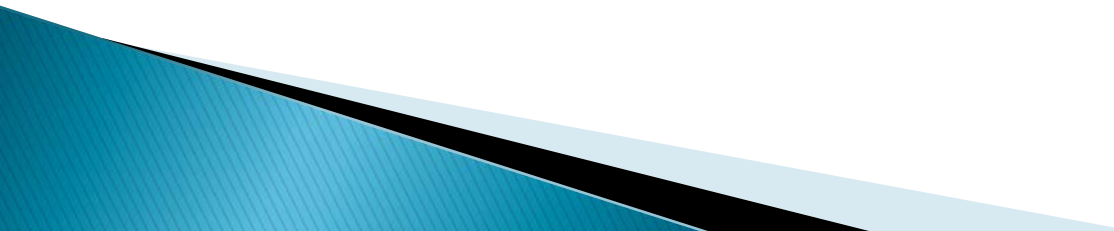


NATO SECURITY BRIEFING



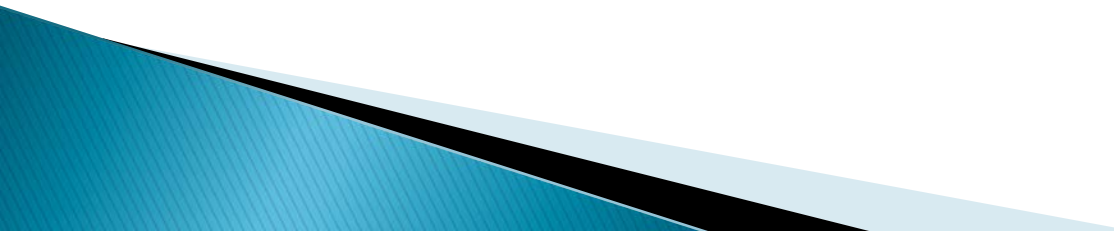
Introduction

- ▶ Security standards and procedures for handling NATO information may be different than US information.
 - ▶ This briefing explains the basic security standards and procedures for safeguarding NATO information.
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What is NATO?

- ▶ North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- ▶ Members include:
 - Albania, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States.
 - SecDef is the US NATO Security Authority, makes sure all security requirements are met.

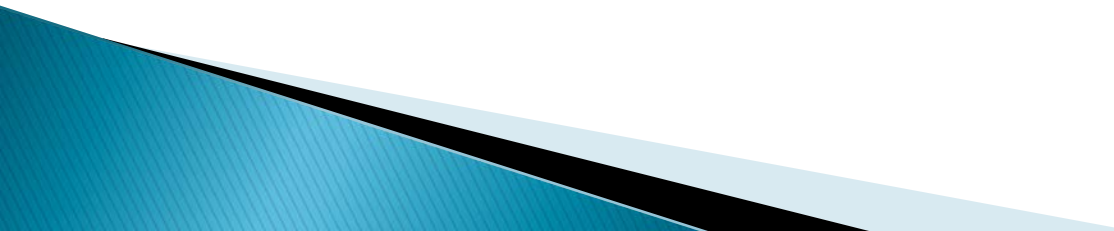
What is NATO Information?

- ▶ Information that has been generated by or for NATO
 - ▶ Information released into the NATO system by a member nation
 - ▶ Information marked NATO by originating Nation
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Access

- ▶ Access to NATO information is determined by the holder.
- ▶ Restrictions may be specified by originator when released to NATO.

NATO Markings

- ▶ Do not mark NATO unless informed in writing by originator
 - ▶ Do not release into NATO system without written consent of originator
 - ▶ Releasable to NATO on US material has been authorized releasable to NATO, only copies released to NATO shall be marked NATO.
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Classification Markings

- ▶ Four Levels
 - COSMIC TOP SECRET
 - NATO SECRET
 - NATO CONFIDENTIAL
 - NATO RESTRICTED

Certain information is further marked ATOMAL.
There is also official and unclassified information.

COSMIC TOP SECRET

- ▶ Cosmic Top Secret (CTS)
 - This is applied to information the unauthorized disclosure of which would cause exceptionally grave damage to NATO.
 - COSMIC is applied to TS material to signify it belongs to NATO. The term NATO TOP SECRET is not actually used.

NATO SECRET

- ▶ NATO Secret (NS)
 - This is applied to information the unauthorized disclosure of which would cause serious damage to NATO.

NATO Confidential

- ▶ NATO Confidential (NC)
 - This is applied to information the unauthorized disclosure of which would be damaging to NATO interests.

NATO Restricted

- ▶ NATO Restricted (NR)
 - This applies to information the unauthorized disclosure of which would be disadvantageous to the interests of NATO.
 - Though similar safeguards are applied to FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY, OFFICIAL USE ONLY, or SENSITIVE, BUT UNCLASSIFIED information, NR is a security classification.

ATOMAL

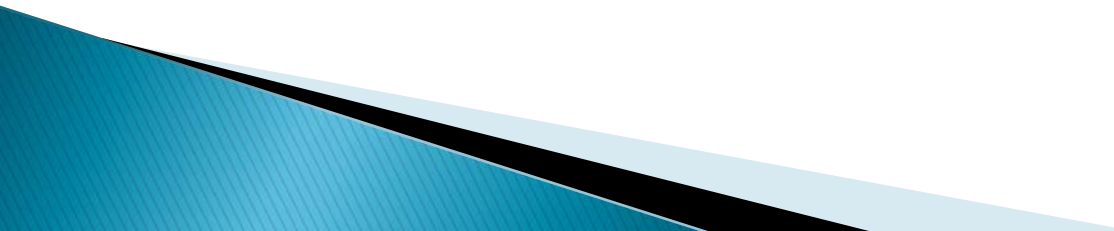
▶ ATOMAL

- This information is US Restricted Data or Formerly Restricted Data that is classified per the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 or UK ATOMIC information that has been released to NATO.
- ATOMAL is marked COSMIC TOP SECRET ATOMAL (CTSA), NATO SECRET ATOMAL (NSA) or NATO CONFIDENTIAL ATOMAL (NCA).

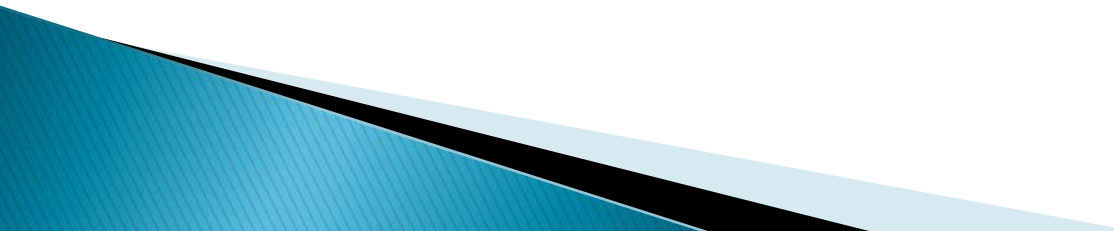
NATO Unclassified

- ▶ NATO Unclassified (NU)
 - This is applied to official information that is the property of NATO, but does not meet the criteria for classification. Access to information by non-NATO entities is permitted when such access would not be detrimental to NATO.

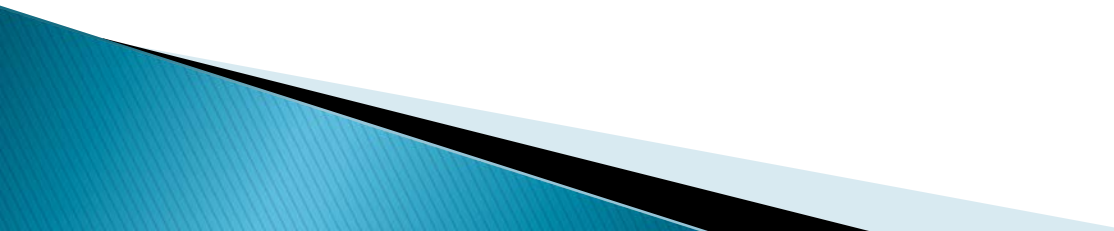
Access Authorization for NATO

- ▶ Access is not based on position, rank or level of clearance.
 - ▶ Based on Need-to-Know (NTK), proper level of clearance and proper access briefing for specific level and type of NATO/ATOMAL information.
 - ▶ Make sure person(s) have met all requirements BEFORE granting access.
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Access Authorization for ATOMAL

- ▶ DoD or contractors may have access to ATOMAL on a NTK basis.
 - ▶ Must be cleared and briefed for Restricted Data.
 - ▶ Interim Clearances shall not be accepted for access.
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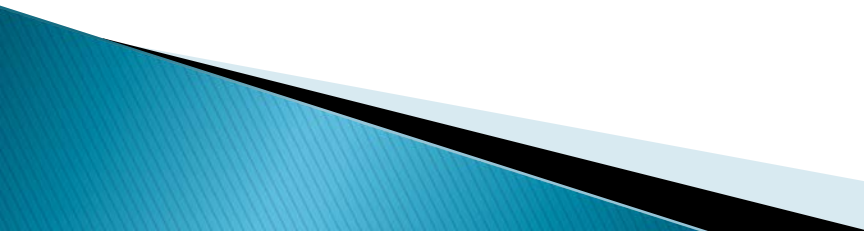
The Registry System

- ▶ A Central Registry has been established by each NATO member. The Central United State Registry (CUSR) is located at Fort Belvoir.
 - ▶ The CUSR establishes all US sub-registries that account and secure NATO and ATOMAL material.
 - ▶ The Marine Corps NATO sub-registry is located at HQMC (PP&O/PS/PSS)
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Accounting for NATO Classified

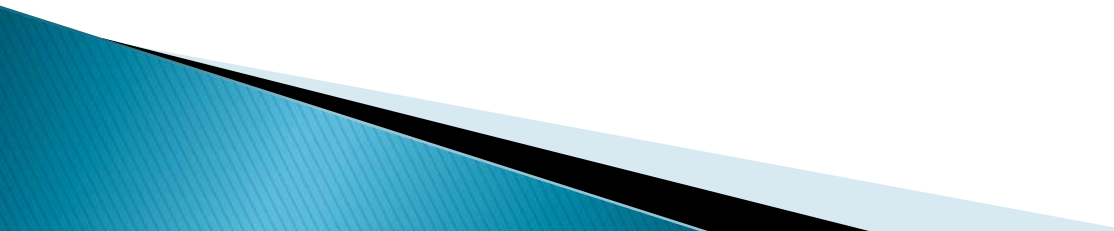
- ▶ CTS, NS and all ATOMAL
 - Receipts and logs WILL be maintained on receipt, disposition, destruction and dispatch of CTS, NS and ALL ATOMAL.
 - Individuals will execute a disclosure record upon acquiring access to CTS/NS.
- ▶ NC and NR
 - Maintain Administrative control adequate to preclude unauthorized access. Specific accounting records are only required if specified by the originator.

Marking and Accounting US Documents with NATO info

- ▶ Highest Level of US or NATO information will be marked on the outside.
 - ▶ NATO information is exempt from declassification or downgrading. “THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS NATO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION” will be marked on the outside and safeguarded accordingly.
 - ▶ Records of source NATO documents will be maintained.
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Safeguarding NATO Material

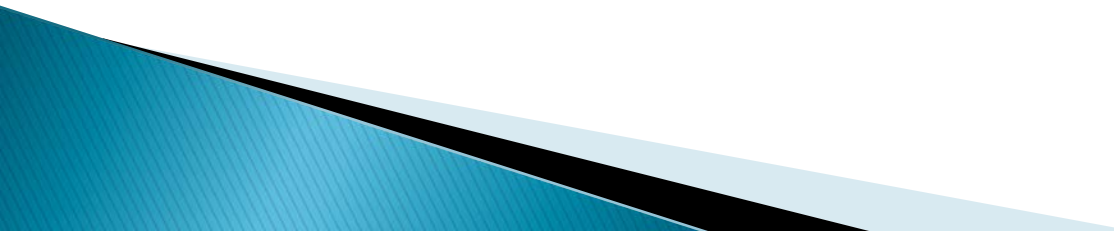
General

- ▶ CTS, NS and NC physical security requirements are the same as similarly marked US material.
 - ▶ NR may be stored in a locked file cabinet as long as access is controlled.
 - ▶ All person(s) with access to containers must be briefed and access level up to the NATO level held within.
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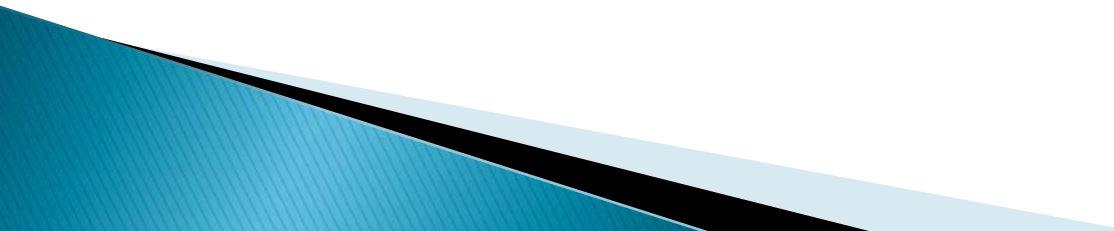
Safeguarding NATO material

- ▶ Segregation
 - Keep NATO, ATOMAL and US material separate. Different drawers or containers are acceptable.
 - ATOMAL control records shall be separate as well.
- ▶ Combinations will be changed annually, when a person leaves or if believed to be compromised.

Transmission of NATO Material

- ▶ CTS or CTSA shall be through the registry system using a cleared courier service.
 - ▶ NS, NSA, NC and NCA will use by courier, cleared employees with courier ID or by US registered mail.
 - ▶ Receipts are required for CTS, NS and all ATOMAL.
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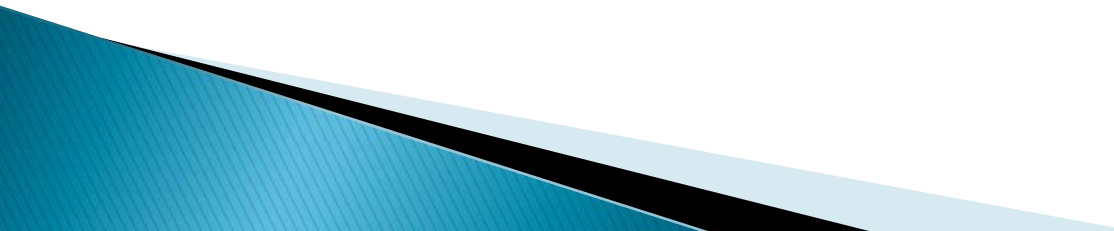
Automated Information Systems (AIS)

- ▶ AIS that have been accredited to process US information may process NATO information of the same or lower level.
 - ▶ Organizations must issue instructions for processing, handling and accounting for NATO information in regards to AIS.
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Destruction

- ▶ CTS, CTSA, NS, NSA and NCA material will be destroyed only by registry personnel using a destruction certificate and method approved for destruction of US material of the same level.

Reproduction

- ▶ Only the CUSR or a sub registry or control point may reproduce CTS, NS and all ATOMAL material.
 - ▶ NC and NR material may be reproduced by holders of it as necessary.
 - ▶ Reproduced copies will be accounted for and safeguarded as the originals.
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Security Violations

- ▶ The violation/compromise will be handled in the same manner as US classified information.
 - ▶ The servicing sub registry or control point must be informed in addition.
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