**NOTE OF JOINING**

**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OF THE**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**TO PARTICIPATE IN THE**

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**AMONG**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**REPUBLIC OF LATVIA**

**THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF**

**CANADA**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA**

**THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**ITALIAN REPUBLIC**

**THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF THE**

**REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**KINGDOM OF NETHERLANDS**

**THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF THE**

**REPUBLIC OF POLAND**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**SLOVAK REPUBLIC**

**AND**

**THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE**

**UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND**

**AS WELL AS**

**HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER TRANSFORMATION**

**CONCERNING**

**THE FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIP REGARDING THE**

**NATO STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE**

**THE Department of Defense of the United States of America**

HAVING DECIDED to broaden its participation in NATO’s overall strategic communicationstransformation efforts; and

CONSIDERING its participation in the NATO StratCom COE, located in Republic of Latvia as a Sponsoring Nation as intended in the Note of Joining to participate in the Memorandum of Understanding among the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Latvia, the Department of National Defence of Canada, the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Estonia, the Federal Ministry of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Ministry of Defence of the Italian Republic, the Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania, the Ministry of Defence of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Poland, the Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic and the Ministry of Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning the Establishment, Administration and Operation of the NATO StratCom COE signed on 1 July 2014 (NATO StratCom COE Operational MoU).

ELECTS to participate in the Memorandum of Understanding among the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Latvia, the Department of National Defence of Canada, the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Estonia, the Federal Ministry of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Ministry of Defence of the Italian Republic, the Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania, the Ministry of Defence of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Poland, the Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic and the Ministry of Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as well as Headquarters, Supreme Allied Commander Transformation, concerning the Functional Relationship regarding the NATO StratCom COE, which came into effect on 1 July 2014 (NATO StratCom COE Functional MoU).

For the **Department of Defense of the United States of America**

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The Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Latvia, the Department of National Defence of Canada, the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Estonia, the Federal Ministry of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Ministry of Defence of the Italian Republic, the Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania, the Ministry of Defence of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Poland, the Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic and the Ministry of Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as well as Headquarters, Supreme Allied Commander Transformation, as the Participants to the NATO StratCom COE Functional MOU,

WELCOMING the expressed commitment by the **Department of Defense of the United States of America**.

ENDEAVOURS with the **Department of Defense of the United States of America** joining them as a Participant to the NATO StratCom COE Functional MOU under the provisions outlined in this Note of Joining.

This Note of Joining is to come into effect on the date on which the last signature is appended to it, or to the Note of Joining for the **Department of Defense of the United States of America** to participate to theNATO StratCom COE Operational MOU.

This Note of Joining is signed in one original in the English language. The original document is to be deposited with Headquarters, Supreme Allied Commander Transformation, which is to provide certified copies to all Participants to the NATO StratCom COE Functional MOU, as well as to the NATO StratCom COE itself and the Joining Nation. This Note of Joining is to be duly recorded in the NATO StratCom COE’s Functional MOU Record of Change.

For the **Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Latvia**

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For the **Department of the National Defence of Canada**

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For the **Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Estonia**

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For the **Federal Ministry of Defence of the Federal Republic of Germany**

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For the **Ministry of Defence of the Italian Republic**

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For the **Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania**

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For the **Ministry of Defence of the Kingdom of the Netherlands**

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For the **Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Poland**

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For the **Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic**

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For the **Headquarters, Supreme Allied Commander Transformation**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Appointment: Supreme Allied Commander Transformation

Place/Date: Norfolk, United States of America, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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