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ORGANIZATIONAL SRD – MOVEMENT COORDINATION CENTRE EUROPE
(Formerly National Annex AE)

1. Introduction. The Movement Coordination Centre – Europe (MCCE) was established in July 2007 as a result of the merging of the European Airlift Centre (EAC) and the Sealift Coordination Cell (SCC). The aim was to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the member nations’ capabilities in the fields of Movement and Transportation including Air Transport (AT), Air-to-Air Refuelling (AAR), Sealift Transport (ST) and Inland Surface Transport (IST). An AAR Cell and an Airspace Management Office were established within the MCCE Operations Section, with its main task of handling and developing AAR and Airspace cooperation amongst participant Nations.

2. MCCE Participating Nations. Participating Nations of the MCCE are Austria, Belgium, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Luxembourg, Norway, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

3. MCCE Mission. The MCCE’s mission is to optimize the employment of assets belonging to the participating Nations, avoiding intensive costs and functionality duplication (e.g. staff elements, facilities, installations, personnel etc.). The MCCE is to coordinate the use of Air Transport, Sea Transport, Inland Surface Transport and Air-to-Air Refuelling capabilities between participants and thereby improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness. The focus will be on strategic movements but does not exclude operational, tactical movements and training. AAR coordination among MCCE Participating Nations, and/or in support of third parties, might be provided by the MCCE AAR Cell upon request both for training and trails, deployments and re-deployments. The MCCE AAR Cell also offers the possibility for its Participating Nations to coordinate Area bookings through its designated ASM (Air Space Management) -Officer.

4. MCCE and the ATARES agreement. In the Air Transport and Air to Air Refueling Framework, the MCCE is promoting the usage of Exchanging Air Services through the compensation mechanism defined in the ATARES (Air Transport, Air to Air Refueling and other Exchange of Services) TA (Technical Arrangement). For AAR requests and offers, any cooperation might be compensated (for the Participating ATARES Nations), through a Unit of measure so called EFH (Equivalent Flying Hour). 1 EFH is defined as one C-130 (or similar A/C) flying hour. Every Tanker Aircraft has a specific factor (EF=Equivalent Factor) as declared by the providing nation. For example if an MCCE/ATARES Nation is using a Tanker which has a factor of 2.8; for every hour of flight service requested the requester Nation is going to be charged 2.8 EFH in debt, whilst the providing Nation will receive an equivalent credit of 2.8 EFH. The ATARES Secretariat is co-located in the MCCE Building. For AAR activities the following different types of International Cooperation might be requested, coordinated by the MCCE AAR cell and accordingly compensated through ATARES as defined in ATARES TA:

   a. Dedicated Sorties (full flight time charged to requester);
   b. Multi-User Sortie (full flight time is proportionally shared among requester Nations, and based on the proportion of AAR slot time effectively used);
c. Opportunity Slots (only Slot time will be charged, when fighters of a requesting Nations conduct the activity on an already existing Tanker Mission);

d. Other opportunities (e.g. when training is needed for the benefit of the Tanker Boom operators. In this instance lower or no charges could be offered from provider Nation).

Participating ATARES Nations are: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and United Kingdom.

5. **MCCE Deployment SOP.** The MCCE AAR Cell endeavours to harmonize existing operating procedures, and one such activity was the publication of an MCCE “AAR Deployment SOP”. The MCCE “AAR Deployment SOP” is a reference document used by the MCCE members during AAR deployments. AAR user nations are highly encouraged to provide feedbacks, comments and proposal to amend the current document being edited. The current edition is V5.00 NOV 12. Updated copies can be obtained from the MCCE AAR Cell via mail or downloaded from the MCCE website after identification:

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