

Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 1(4) of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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2008 No. XXXX

DEFENCE

The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations
(Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2008

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Coming into force in accordance with Article 1.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the xxxx day of xxxx

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

A draft of this Order has in accordance with section 1(4) of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964(1) been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament;

Her Majesty, on the advice of Her Privy Council and in exercise of the power conferred on her by section 1 of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964, makes the following Order:

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 2008 and shall come into force on the day after that on which it is made.

Interpretation

2. In this Order "1965 Order" means the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 1965(2).

(1) 1964 c. 5.

(2) S.I. 1965/1535, amended by article 2(a) of S.I. 1994/1642 and article 2 of S.I. 1999/1735.

Amendment of the 1965 Order

3.—(1) For Part I of the Schedule to the 1965 Order there shall be substituted—

“PART I

The Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander Transformation (HQ SACT)
The Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE)”

(2) For Part II of the Schedule to the 1965 Order there shall be substituted—

“PART II

Maritime Component Command Headquarters Northwood (CC-MAR HQ NORTHWOOD)
Commander Submarines Allied Naval Forces North (COMSUBNORTH)
NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control Force (NAEW&CF)
NATO Joint Electronic Warfare Core Staff (NATO JEWCS)
Headquarters United Kingdom – Netherlands Amphibious Force (UKNLAF)
Headquarters United Kingdom – Netherlands Landing Force (UKNLLF)
The European Air Group (EAG)
The Intelligence Fusion Centre (IFC)
Headquarters Allied Rapid Reaction Corps (HQ ARRC)”

Revocation

4. The International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) (Amendment) Order 1994⁽³⁾ and the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 1999⁽⁴⁾ are hereby revoked.

Date

Name
Clerk of the Privy Council

⁽³⁾ S.I. 1994/1642.

⁽⁴⁾ S.I. 1999/1735.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations (Designation and Privileges) Order 1965 (“the 1965 Order”) by substituting a new Schedule to that Order. The Schedule to the 1965 Order lists those headquarters which are designated for the purposes of the International Headquarters and Defence Organisations Act 1964. Part I of the Schedule lists those headquarters which also benefit from the privileges and immunities conferred by article 3 (inviolability of archives), article 4 (legal capacity) and article 5 (immunity from legal process) of the 1965 Order. Those headquarters listed in Part II only benefit from article 3 (inviolability of archives).

To reflect the changes to the NATO command structure, certain headquarters are removed from Part II of the Schedule to the 1965 Order, namely:

- Headquarters Allied Forces North Western Europe (AFNORTHWEST);
- Headquarters Allied Air Forces North Western Europe (AIRNORTHWEST);
- Headquarters Allied Maritime Air Forces North West (MARAIRNORTHWEST);
- Headquarters Submarine Forces North West (SUBNORTHWEST);
- Headquarters Allied Forces Eastern Atlantic Area (EASTLANT);
- Headquarters Maritime Air Forces Eastern Atlantic Area (MARAIREASTLANT); and
- Headquarters Submarine Forces Eastern Atlantic Area (SUBEASTLANT).

Three headquarters remain in Parts I and II, but are renamed:

- Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic (SACLANT) as Headquarters of the Supreme Allied Commander Transformation (HQ SACT);
- Headquarters Allied Naval Forces North Western Europe (NAVNORTHWEST) as Maritime Component Command Headquarters Northwood (CC-MAR HQ NORTHWOOD); and
- NATO Airborne Early Warning Force Headquarters and the NATO E-3A Component as NATO Airborne Early Warning and Control Force (NAEW&CF).

Two headquarters remain unchanged:

- Headquarters United Kingdom – Netherlands Amphibious Force (UKNLAF); and
- Headquarters United Kingdom – Netherlands Landing Force (UKNLLF).

Four headquarters are new, having been set up since the last amendment to the 1965 Order:

- Commander Submarines Allied Naval Forces North (COMSUBNORTH);
- NATO Joint Electronic Warfare Core Staff (NATO JEWCS);
- The European Air Group (EAG); and
- The Intelligence Fusion Centre (IFC).

Headquarters Allied Rapid Reaction Corps (HQ ARRC) is due to relocate to the United Kingdom in 2010.