

US/IT Joint Military Commission
Instruction 7

NEGOTIATING AND ISSUING AMENDMENTS
TO TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. PURPOSE

a. This Joint Military Commission-Instruction (JMC-I) sets forth guidelines to ensure the effective and efficient maintenance of technical arrangements (TA) agreed to pursuant to the 1995 Memorandum of Understanding between the US Department of Defense and the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Italy “Concerning the Use of Installations/Infrastructure by US Forces in Italy” (hereinafter “The 1995 MOU”).

b. Amendments to technical arrangements will be negotiated, agreed, and issued in accordance with the provisions of this instruction. Requests for exceptions will be addressed to the Parties at a formal meeting of the JMC and decided in accordance with the JMC Charter.

2. THE JOINT TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT WORKING GROUP (JTAWG)

a. The JTAWG is an action officer forum of the JMC. It is responsible to ensure appropriate and efficient negotiation and finalization of TAs and TA amendments in accordance with JMC’s directions. Its principal functions are to organize issues, propose courses of action, discuss, and draft and negotiate TAs and TA amendments in support of JMC missions. JTAWG members are expected to possess the requisite authority to internally and externally coordinate issues, and provide positions and recommendations from the delegation represented. The JTAWG facilitates the implementation of the 1995 MOU and relevant technical arrangements.

b. The JTAWG shall meet when necessary.

c. The USA Bilateral Relations Section, Office of International Relations, Italian Defense General Staff (IDGS), for the Italian delegation, and the U.S. Sending States Office (USSSO), Office of Defense Cooperation, for the U.S. delegation, will coordinate JTAWG meetings, propose and facilitate JTAWG agendas, coordinate response to inquiries, and facilitate communication amongst JTAWG members.

3. TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT FORMAT

a. In accordance with the 1995 MOU, technical arrangements consist of the “main body,” and separate annexes as needed to support the purposes of the technical arrangement. In general, the main body of the technical arrangement is designed to implement the overall agreement between the Parties as applied to all installations used by the U.S. Forces in Italy. As a result, amendments to the main body should generally be considered in the framework of the 1995 MOU and usually limited to amendments that apply to all installations. The annexes are

designed to reflect the individual requirements of the various installations, and amendments that reflect requirements of individual installations should generally be made in annexes.

b. Each technical arrangement will include a technical data annex that contains required operational and other sensitive information regarding the use of installations by U.S. Forces in Italy. It is filed separately, but is an integral part of, the technical arrangement.

4. AMENDING TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS

a. Technical arrangements will be amended through the use of a "Protocol of Amendment." A model protocol of amendment is located at Annex 1 of this Instruction. The model protocol of amendment is designed to provide effective language and methods of amending technical arrangements and will be followed as consistently as possible.

b. Protocols of amendment regarding the main body of the TA will be initially prepared and negotiated by the JTAWG, for presentation to the JMC. In accordance with the 1995 MOU, protocols of amendment will be approved by the military authorities of both Parties. Protocols of amendment will be completed in duplicate, in English and Italian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

c. Local JMCs (JMC-L) can propose amendments to installation technical arrangements, as deemed necessary. Amendments to the annexes of an installation TA generally shall be initially discussed and negotiated by the JMC-L. Locally proposed amendments will be submitted to the National JMC when necessary in accordance with the Technical Arrangement for final coordination, approval, and implementation as described in paragraph 4.b. When amendments to annexes can be made at the JMC-L level, the JMC-L will inform the JTAWG of its actions and provide appropriate copies to the JTAWG.

d. The original technical arrangements, as amended by the protocols of amendment, are the official documents that contain the agreements of the Parties.

e. Each time a protocol of amendment is agreed, the Parties will jointly prepare a current version of the technical arrangement that contains all approved amendments. The JMC will acknowledge the current version in the minutes of the JMC at which a protocol of amendment is agreed. In the minutes of the first JMC each calendar year, the JMC will publish the dates of the current versions of all technical arrangements agreed to by the Parties.

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PROTOCOL OF AMENDMENT #
TO TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE
OF THE
ITALIAN REPUBLIC
AND THE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
REGARDING THE
INSTALLATIONS/INFRASTRUCTURE
IN USE BY THE U.S. FORCES IN
LOCATION NAME, ITALY

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PREAMBLE

The United States European Command and the Italian Defense General Staff
Reaffirming the importance of a solid defense relationship between the two Parties;
Recognizing the contribution of the Technical Arrangement to the security of the two
countries and the Atlantic Alliance;
Have agreed on the following:

CHANGE 1

Change “xxxxx” to read “yyyy” wherever it appears in the Technical Arrangement.

CHANGE 2

In Article IV, Abbreviated Terms:

- a. Strike “aaaaa,” and substitute “bbbbbb.”
- b. Add “abababab”

CHANGE 3

In the second line of paragraph 1 of Article XI, add the word “the” between the words “of” and “BIA”.

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CHANGE 4

Replace paragraph 1 of Annex 1 with the following text:

1. ADD NEW TEXT IN ITS ENTIRETY

CHANGE 5

The paragraphs of Annex 2, currently numbered 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 are renumbered as paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

CHANGE 6¹

- a. Relocate the tables and maps that appear in paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Annex 2 to the Technical Data Annex (Annex #, which is filed separately).
- b. Replace the relocated tables and maps with the tables and maps in Attachment 1 to this Protocol of Amendment (which is filed separately).

CHANGE 7

- a. Strike paragraph 1 of Annex 11.
- b. Renumber paragraphs 2 and 3, and replace the new paragraphs 1 and 2 with the following text:

¹ Notation will be made in the technical data annex that indicates this document as the source of this amendment.

1 1. ADD NEW TEXT IN ITS ENTIRETY

2 **CHANGE 8**

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4 Change the title of “Attachment 1 to Annex 11, MAJOR US FORCES TRAINING
5 EVENTS” to read “Appendix 1 to Annex 11, MAJOR US ARMY TRAINING EVENTS”
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9 **FINAL PROVISION**

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11 This Protocol of Amendment shall enter into force upon signature by both Parties.
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13 Done in _____, this day, _____, in duplicate, in the English
14 and Italian languages, both texts being equally authentic.
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17 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES
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FOR THE MINISTRY OF
DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC
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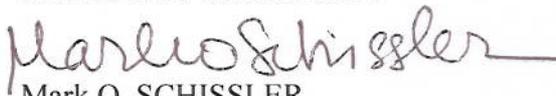
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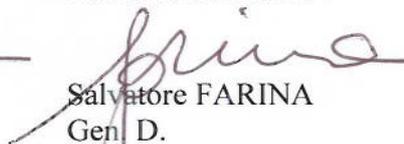
Done in Rome, this day, 5 march 2013, in duplicate, in the English and Italian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

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Date: 5 march 2013

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