### **GLOSSARY**

# **PART I - ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS**

**ABCCC** airborne battlefield command and control center

ACE aviation combat element (MAGTF)

ACMES Automated Communications Security Management and Engineering

System

**ADA** air defense artillery

**AFAC** airborne forward air controller

AFEKMS Air Force Electronic Key Management System

**AFFOR** Air Force forces

**AFKDMS** Air Force Key Data Management System

AFP ARC-210 Fill Device AFR Air Force regulation

AJ antijam

**AKMS** Army key management system

ALO air liaison officer

ALSA Air Land Sea Application Center

AM amplitude modulation

AMLS Airspace Management Liaison Section

amp amplifier

**ANCD** automated net control device

ANCRS Automated Navy COMSEC Reporting System

**ANGLICO** air/naval gunfire liaison company

AO air officer (USMC)
AOC air operations center
AR Army regulation; artiliary

**ARFOR** Army forces

ARG amphibius readiness group ARLO air reconnaissance officer

ASC (A) assault support coordinator-airborne

**ASOC** air support operations center

ATC air traffic control air tasking order

AWACS Airborne Warning and Control System

**BATT** battery

BCE battlefield coordination element

BDE brigade

BGU basic generation unit

BIT built-in test
BN battalion
BPS bits per second

C3 command, control and communications

C3I command, control communications intelligence

C6 combined forces communication staff

CARS Communications Security Automated Reporting System

CATF commander, amphibious task force

CAS close air support combat control team

CE command element (MAFTF)
CEO communications-electronics officer

**CEOI** communications-electronic operating instructions

CFD common fill device CG guided missile cruiser

CHAN channel CHG change

CINC commander-in-chief

CJTF commander, joint task force

CLR clear

CM control monitor cmdr commander

CMIO COMSEC material issuing office CMS COMSEC management system (Navy)

CMSC communications security

CNR combat net radio CNV crypto net variable

CO company

COMM/NAV communications/navigation

comms communications

COMSEC communications security
CONAUTH controlling authority
concept of operations

**CP** command post

CRC control reporting center
CRE control and reporting element
CRP combat reporting point

CRP combat reporting point CSAR combat search and rescue

CSEP consolidated single-channel radio electronic counter-countermeasures

package

CSS combat service support

CSSE combat service support element (MAFTF)

CT cipher text

CTAPS Contingency Theater Automated Planning System

CTF commander, task force CVBG carrier battle group

CWC composite warfare commander

DA Department of Army
DASC direct air support center

**DASC (A)** direct air support center-airborne

**DCMS** Director Communications Security Material System

**DCT** digital communications terminal

**DDG** guided missile destroyer

**DF** direction finding

**DIV** division

DMD digital message device DOD Department of Defense DOS Disk Operating System data rate adapter

**DTD** data transfer device (AN/CYZ-10)

EA electronic attack
EAC echelon above corps

**ECCM** electronic counter-countemeasures

**ECM** electronic countermeasures

**EDES** Electronic DS-101 Emulation Software

e.g. for example

EKDD electronic key distribution device
EKDS electronic key distribution system
EKMS electronic key management system

EMP electromagnetic pulse explosive ordnance disposal

**EP** electronic protection

**EPLRS** Enhanced Position Location Reporting Systems

**ERF** electronic remote fill or electronic counter-countermeasures remote fill

ESM electronic warfare support measure
EUCE end user computing equipment

EW electronic warfare
EW/C early warning/control
EWO electronic warfare officer

FAC forward air controller

FAC (A) forward air controller-airborne

FACP forward air controller post/forward air control party

FCTN function switch

FFG guided missile frigate
FH frequency hopping

**FH-M** frequency hopping-master

FLD field FLT fleet

FM frequency modulation; field manual

FMF Fleet Marine Force

FMF EUCE Fleet Marine Force end user computing equipment

FMFRP Fleet Marine Force reference publication

FREQ frequency

FSK frequency shift keying

G-6 component signal staff officer

GCE ground control element

GHz gigahertz

GLO ground liason officer
GPS global positioning system
GPU general purpose user

HELO helicopter
HF high frequency

HI high

H-LD hold-load homing HQ headquarters

hz hertz

IAW in accordance with

IBM International Business Machines

**IDM** improved data modem

ICOM integrated communications security

ICP intratheater communications security package

identifieri.e. that is

**IFM** improved frequency modulation

ISA International Standardization Agreement

J-2 Intelligence Directorate of a joint staff
J-3 Operations Directorate of joint staff

J-6 Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems Directorate of

a joint staff

JAAT joint air attack team

JCEOI joint communications-electronic operating instructions

JCEWS joint commander's electronic warfare staff

JCS Joint Chiefs of Staff

JD Julian date

JFACC joint force air component commander

**JFC** joint force commander

JFCEWS joint force commander's electronic warfare staff

**JFLCC** joint force land component commander

JRFL joint restricted frequency list

JIEO joint interoperability electronic office

JKMS joint key management system
JOR joint operational requirement
JRFL joint restricted frequency list

J-SEAD joint suppression of enemy air defenses

J-STARS Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System

**JTF** joint task force

JTIDS Joint Tactical Information Distribution System

kb kilobits

kbps kilobits per second KDD key distribution device

KDMS Key Distribution Management System

KDS key data system
KEK key encryption key

kHz kilohertz km kilometer KP key processor

**KPE** key processing equipment

L lockout

**LAAM** light antiaircraft missile

LAAD low altitude air defense (USMC)
LAMPS light airborne multipurpose system

LAN local network area

LCAC landing craft, air cushion LCC amphibious command ship

LCMS local communications security management software

LCU lightweight computer unit

LD load

LD-V load variable LE late entry

LED light emitting diode
LHA amphibious assault ship
LMD local management device

LO low lockout

LPD amphibious transport dock ships

LPH amphibious assault ship
LSD landing ship, dock
LST landing ship tank

M medium MAN manual

MAGTF Marine air-ground task force

MARFOR Marine Corps forces MARLO marine liaison officer

MATCS Marine air traffic control squadron

MB megabyte

MCCDC Marine Corps Combat Development Command

MCE modular control equipment

MCEB Military Communications-electronics Board MCPDS Marine Corps Publication Distribution System

MCRP Marine Corps Reference Publication

MD mission day

MEB Marine expeditionary brigade

MED medium

MEF Marine expeditionary force
MEU Marine expeditionary unit

MHz megahertz

MIL STD military standard

MILSTRIP Military Standard Requisitioning and Issue procedure

MKRV mark receive variable
MLE maritime law enforcement

MS-DOS Microsoft-Disk Operating System
MSC major subordinate command
MSE mobile subscriber equipment
MUTE Unit for Transmission Elimination

N6 Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems

**Directorate for Naval Forces** 

N/A not applicable

NALE naval and amphibious liaison element

NAVFOR Navy forces

NAVSOP Navy Standard Operating Procedure

NCS net control station

NKDS Navy Key Distribution System
NKMS Navy Key Management System
non-ICOM non-integrated communications

non-ICOMSEC non-intergrated communications security

NORM normal

NSA National Security Agency NSFS naval surface fire support

NST net station time

NST-JD net station time-Julian date NWP naval warfare pamphlet

**OFST** offset

OI operating instruction
OPLAN operations plan
OPORD operations order

**OPR** office of primary responsibility

OTAR over-the-air rekey
OTH over the horizon

OTC officer in tactical command

PA power amp
PACAF Pacific Air Force
PC personal computer

PCN publication control number

PLGR precision lightweight global positioning system receiver

**PSN** packet switch node

PT plain text
PTT push-to-talk

**RAM** random access memory

RBECS Revised Battlefield Electronics Communications-electronic Operating

**Instruction System** 

RCH remote control head remote control unit random data generator

RDS revised battlefield electronics communications (RBECS) system

data transfer device (AN/CYZ-10) (DTD) software

**REC** radio electronic combat

**RECCE** reconnaissance

REM remote RGT regiment

**RKV** remote key vehicle

RSINISS revised SINCGARS integrated communications (ICOM) security/

non-integrated communications (non-ICOM) support software

RT receiver transmitter
RV receive variable
RXMT retransmit

SAR search and rescue

SAS single audio system
SATCOM satellite communications

SC single channel

SCRU secure remote control unit

**SEAL** sea-air-land team

SINCGARS Single-channel Ground and Airborne Radio System

SIU ship interface unit

SOIsignal operating instructionsSOLEspecial operations liaison elementSOPstanding operating procedure

**SPEED** systems planning engineering and evaluation device

SQssquadronsSQ OFFsquelch offSQ ONsquelch onSQNssquadrons

SRU shop replaceable unit SSN attack submarine, nuclear STANAG standardization agreement

STBY standby
STO store
STW stow

STU ship interface unit STU-III secure telephone unit III

**sync** synchronize

TAC-A tactical air commander-airborne tactical fire direction system

TACC tactical air control center (USN); tactical air command center

(USMC)

TACP tactical air control party
TACS tactical air control system
TADC tactical air direction center

**TAF** tactical air forces

**TAMPS** Tactical Air Mission Planning System tactical air operations center (USMC)

TD time delay
TBD to be determined
TEK traffic encryption key

TF TACFIRE

TIP tactical information pamphlet

TOD time of day

TRADOC US Army Training and Doctrine Command

TRANSEC transmission security

TSEC telecommunications security
TSK transmission security key

TST test

UAS user application software UHF ultra high frequency

US United States

USAF United States Air Force
USMC United States Marine Corps
UTC universal time, coordinated

VAC volts, AC (alternating current)
VDC volts, DC (direct current)
VHF very high frequency

VHF-FM very high frequency-frequency modulation

VINSON Encrypted Ultra high Frequency Communications System

VRC vehicle, radio configuration

W watts

**WAN** wide area network

WCCS Wing Command and Control System

WOC wing operations center

**WOD** word of day

Z zero ZA zero all

**Z-FH** zero frequency hopping

**ZULU** time zone indicator for Universal Time

# number

### **PART II - TERMS AND DEFINITIONS**

**buffered.** Temporary storage used to compensate for the difference in rates of flow and acceptance of data or time of reception.

**cold start.** Process to initially open a net. The net users require the same TRANSEC and manual frequency. The NCS RT should be fully loaded with all the variables.

**common lockout.** A collection of data words (defined in JTC3A Specification 9001) which provide net definition (frequencies) by locking out frequencies on all preset nets within the radio. See also lockout.

**cold-start electronic remote fill (ERF).** One process for initially opening a net. users need a common coldstart designated TRANSEC key and manual frequency for this process. Also see ERF.

cue frequency. An SC frequency listed in the CEOI; the primary means of alerting a net into which entry is desired. Users who may lack some of the necessary ECCM variables to enter an established net directly cue members of an active FH net on this frequency. Users can load the cue frequency into the radio's cue channel through the keyboard. They use the cue channel when they have missed the initial net opening and need an ERF or when they want to enter an alternate net.

**ECCM variables.** The electronic fill data which supports ECCM operations. This includes hopsets, net IDs, lockouts, TRANSEC key, Julian date and net sync time information. This excludes COMSEC keys, cue channels, manual channels, and single channel frequencies.

electronic fill data. The initialization parameters for the radio which are loaded via SINC-GARS fill device: As a minimum, all SINCGARS radios can electronically load fill data which cannot practically be loaded manually into the RT. This includes fill data such as lockouts, hopsets, and TRANSEC key. Some SINCGARS equipment can also receive SC frequencies, cue frequencies, manual frequencies, frequency offsets, TRANSEC key "locations," COMSEC key "location", and Julian date and NST. This data is entered through the front panel.

electronic fill data tag. An alphanumeric to identify a set/subset of SINCGARS electronic fill data, used like a COMSEC short title to identify data sets for association with contents, effective periods, controlling/originating authority and regions where use is authorized.

**electronic remote fill (ERF).** A method of loading an RT with FH data over a radio frequency data link. The electronic remote filled data is transmitted by a radio in the FH master mode, usually the net controller. The two types of ERFs are in-net and cold start. The former is performed in an established FH net, the latter when an FH net is not available. Lockouts and hopsets with appended TRANSEC key can be electronic remote filled between two or more SIN-CGARS radios.

**hopping sequence.** The pattern of frequencies over which the radios in the net hop. The net ID and mission day (MD) and time of day (TOD) are input to the linear sequence generator. The linear sequence generator output and the TRANSEC are input to the KGV-10, whose output determines the pattern of hopping.

**hopset.** An FH preset; a structured set of data words which, when combined with lockout net definition data words, determine the frequencies on which a SINCGARS FH net will operate. The actual net frequencies are known as the net frequency map.

**joint restricted frequency list.** A time and geographical listing of prioritized frequencies essential to an operation and restricted from targeting by friendly ECM to minimize frequency conflicts between friendly units.

# joint tactical informatiom distribution system (JTIDS)

A secure antijam point-to-point information distribution system used by all services to provide the *big picture*. JTIDS platforms can exchange location for friendly, hostile, and neutral platforms and navigation information. Terminals are flexible and can limit the amount of information relayed or received.

key distribution management system. Software that manages the ECCM fill variables, transmission security keys (TSKs), communication security keys (key encryption keys (KEKs), and traffic encryption keys [TEKs]) for SINCGARS-operative radios.

late net entry or late entry (LE). A method of joining an already operating net. LE requires the correct TRANSEC, net ID, hopset, and lockouts.

lockout. A collection of data words, defined in JTC3A Specification 9001, that provide net definition (frequencies) by excluding, or locking out, frequencies from use within the radio. The two primary types of lockout are common lockout and net selectable lockout. The former, L1 through L6, apply to all preset nets; the latter, L7 and L8 are enabled or disabled by each preset net. The frequencies excluded by the lockout data words combine with those excluded by the hopset data words. All frequencies not excluded by these combined data words makeup the selected preset net's frequency map.

manual channel frequency. A single channel frequency loaded into the manual channel in the Army's SINCGARS radio and into the "manual" preset in the AN/ARC-222. It is loaded into the manual channel by keyboard actions. The frequency is listed in the CEOI and is used for communications and ERF during cold start net opening.

mission day. Mission day of the operation corresponds to Julian date.

mission set. A block of fill data generated from Air Force KDMS for loading into a specific radio to perform a specific mission.

**Net ID.** A net variable unique to a particular FH net, analogous to a phone number or a single channel frequency in the SC mode. It is a three-digit number from 000 to 999. It assists in net definition since it is also used by the radio as a net ECCM parameter, which allows nets with identical hopsets, lockouts, MD/TOD, and TRANSEC key to operate on different FH nets. It is assigned by the delegated office of responsibility (JFC J6 for joint nets) using one of the computer-based net management tools: Revised Battlefield Electronic Communications-electronics Operating Instructions System (RBECS), KDMS, Navy Automatic Key Management System.

**Net ID band.** A group of 100 net IDs X00 to X99 accessible from a preset by the radio operator through the radio keypad.

#### Net ID band definition unique lockout

A group of frequencies whose use in a specific FH band of nets is excluded. The lockouts are interfaced with common lockouts and associated with a preset on the radio.

**pseudorandom.** A process with an extremely long period before it repeats itself. It appears to be random but is actually seed dependent.

**spectrum management.** For SINCGARS and RBECS, limited in scope from optimization of the frequency spectrum to include computation and assignment of those ECCM variables and SC frequencies required to operate concurrently within an assigned area of operation. Frequency co-site interference and resolution are taken into account but only after the division-corps frequency manager has identified potential conflicts to the software.

tempest. The study and control of decipherable electronic signals unintentionally emitted from equipment.

time of day. The ZULU-based time reference that can be manually entered into the radio from the front panel. Time is automatically maintained within the radio but can be updated through the reception of in-net FH messages or ERFs. For normal in-net synchronization, all stations must be within plus or minus 4 seconds of the sending radio's time. The LE mode of operation may be selected for extending the acquisition time window to plus or minus 60 seconds.

Traffic Encryption Key. A COMSEC key that encrypts normal voice and data traffic.

**TRANSEC key.** Similar to COMSEC key. It scrambles the hopping pattern in a pseudo-random sequence so that it looks random to anyone without the key. All members of an FH net need a common TRANSEC in order to communicate.

**zeroize.** An operating procedure performed to clear COMSEC or TRANSEC key from the radio's internal variable storage registers. This process ensures that all data has been removed and cannot be recovered from the radio.

**ZULU Time.** Formerly called Greenwich Mean Time. Also called Universal Time. A measure of time that conforms, within a close approximation, to the mean diurnal rotation of the earth and serves as the basis of civil timekeeping. Accepted by many nations and independent of time zones, it is the standard time base for TOD in SINCGARS FH nets.