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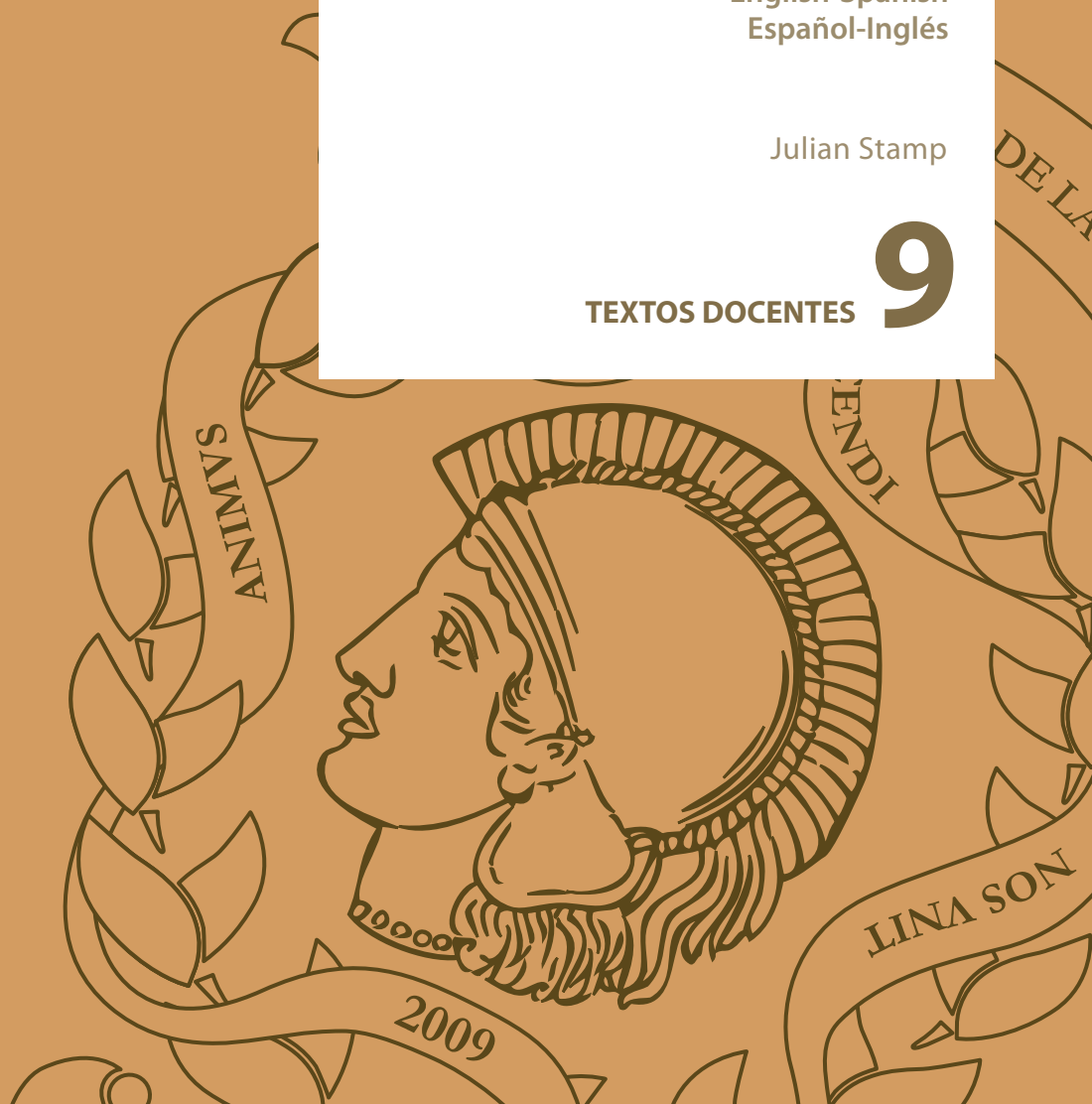
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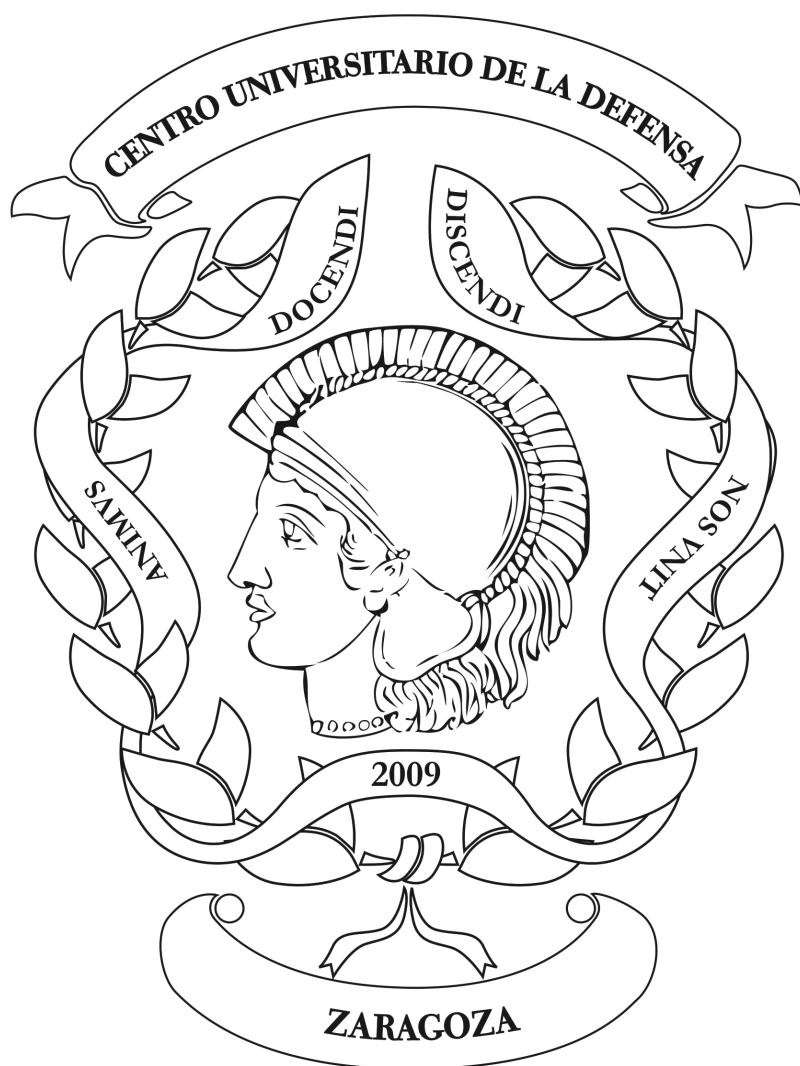
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PREFACE

This text is intended as an essential source of reference for Officer Cadets, Officer Candidates and other students of military English whose mother tongue is not English and possess a CEF B1+ to C1 (STANAG 6001 SLP 2 to 4) level of English.

A range of subject areas are covered in this dictionary, such as ranks, uniforms, personal equipment, small arms, artillery, close combat, communications, doctrine, military engineering, logistics, navigation, military vehicles, organisation, survival, tactics and terrain. Where significant, standardised NATO terminology has been used at all times.

In the first half of the dictionary, a carefully-worded, concise definition of each English term is provided in English. This is to give the non-native speaker further reading practice and a learning opportunity every time a new word is looked up. Any key words in a definition have been highlighted in **bold** for cross-referencing and, where appropriate, links are included (►) for comparison and contrast with related terms. Pronunciation of frequently mispronounced words, especially by Spanish speakers, is shown using the standard international phonetic system. The corresponding term in Spanish is given at the end of each English definition.

In the second half of the dictionary, the English translation of Spanish terms is given in list format for quick reference, without repetition of the English definitions or cross-references. However, for a complete understanding of each term, and to make full use of this book, it is always best to refer to the English definition and cross-references in the first section as well.

The five appendices are chiefly for visual reference, covering US, British and NATO ranks and insignia, military uniforms, the assault rifle, military vehicles and aircraft, and the most common military symbols.

This project, which I started back in 2004, has gradually grown from the original edition of selected military terms from course material prepared by staff of the English Area of the Language Department at the Academia General Militar. Whilst every effort has been made to include essential, up-to-date terms, with easily understood, concise definitions and accurate translations into Spanish, if you find any errors or have any comments, feel free to send me an email.

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UTRINQUE PARATUS

(Ready for Anything)



Motto of the British Army Parachute Regiment

KEY TO SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

<i>(AmE)</i>	American English	<i>Inglés americano</i>
<i>(AusE)</i>	Australian English	<i>Inglés australiano</i>
<i>(BrE)</i>	British English*	<i>Inglés británico*</i>
<i>(Esp)</i>	Spanish	<i>Español</i>
<i>(AmL)</i>	Latin American Spanish	<i>Español de América Latina</i>
[]	Subject area or additional comment	<i>Categoría o comentario adicional</i>
<i>[archaic]</i>	Antiquated, historical term	<i>Término arcaico</i>
<i>[count]</i>	Countable noun	<i>Nombre contable</i>
<i>[forml]</i>	Formal term	<i>Término formal</i>
<i>[informl]</i>	Informal term	<i>Término coloquial</i>
<i>[passive]</i>	Passive form	<i>Voz pasiva</i>
<i>[plural]</i>	Plural noun	<i>Nombre plural</i>
<i>[uncount]</i>	Uncountable noun	<i>Nombre incontable</i>
~	Substitutes the headword	<i>Sustituye la entrada</i>
≈	Similar to	<i>Parecido a</i>
►	See	<i>Véase</i>
®	Registered trade name	<i>Marca registrada</i>
<i>[I'm military]</i>	Indicates a common mistake	<i>Destaca un error frecuente</i>
/eɪk/	Pronunciation of problematic term	<i>Pronunciación de término problemático</i>
<i>abbr</i>	Acronym or abbreviation	<i>Sigla o abreviatura</i>
<i>adj</i>	Adjective	<i>Adjetivo</i>
<i>adv</i>	Adverb	<i>Adverbio</i>
e.g.	For example	<i>P. ej.</i>
<i>EA</i>	Air Force	<i>Ejército del Aire</i>
<i>ET</i>	Army	<i>Ejército de Tierra</i>
<i>ger.</i>	Gerund	<i>Gerundio</i>
i.e.	That is to say	<i>Es decir</i>
<i>inf.</i>	Infinitive	<i>Infinitivo</i>
<i>interj.</i>	Interjection	<i>Interjección, exclamación</i>
<i>n</i>	Noun	<i>Nombre</i>
<i>past</i>	Past simple	<i>Pasado simple</i>
<i>phr</i>	Phrase	<i>Frase</i>
<i>pp</i>	Past participle	<i>Participio del pasado</i>
<i>prefix</i>	Prefix	<i>Prefijo</i>
<i>prep</i>	Preposition	<i>Preposición</i>
<i>usu.</i>	Usually	<i>Normalmente</i>
<i>v</i>	Verb	<i>Verbo</i>
<i>vi</i>	Intransitive verb (no object)	<i>Verbo intransitivo</i>
<i>vt</i>	Transitive verb (with an object)	<i>Verbo transitivo</i>

* Many Commonwealth nations use similar terminology and organisational structure to that of the British Armed Forces.

* Muchos países de la Commonwealth usan términos y una estructura orgánica similar a la de las Fuerzas Armadas Británicas.

A

A *abbr* ► **amp**

A/C *abbr* ► **aircraft**

AA *abbr* **(a)** ► **anti-aircraft (b)** ► **assembly area**

AAA *abbr* also **triple A** [*informal*] ► **anti-aircraft artillery**

AAG *abbr* ► **anti-aircraft gun**

AAM *abbr* ► **air-to-air missile**

abatis *n* an obstacle constructed from sharpened branches or felled trees, which may be tied together and used in combination with **barbed wire** and **booby traps** (*Esp*) *tala*

ABCA *abbr* America, Britain, Canada and Australia. The quadripartite treaty organisation between these four nations (*Esp*) *ABCA*

ABLE *abbr* (*BrE*) **automotive bridge launching equipment** (*Esp*) *lanza puentes acorazado*

ABM *abbr* anti-ballistic missile (*Esp*) *misil antibalístico*

absent *adj* the condition of being not being present for an event but for a known justifiable reason, such as **sick leave** (*Esp*) *ausente*. ► also **leave** ► also **missing**

accolade *n* recognition for outstanding service (*Esp*) *reconocimiento*

accomplish *vt* to complete a task successfully (*Esp*) *llevar a cabo, realizar, lograr, conseguir, cumplir*. **it won't be difficult to ~ this mission.** (*Esp*) *no será difícil cumplir esta misión*. **mission accomplished** (*Esp*) *misión cumplida*.

accomplishable *adj* derivative from accomplish (*Esp*) *realizable*

accomplishment *n* derivative from accomplish (*Esp*) *logro, consecución, cumplimiento*. **No mean ~.** (*Esp*) *Un logro nada desdeñable*.

account *n* a record or statement normally included in a set of similar items in a book called a ledger or log-book for use in budgets or reports (*Esp*) *apunte*

accounterments *n* [*plural*] [*formal*] /ə'ku:təmənts/ (*AmE*) **accoutrements** /ə'ku:təmənts/ (*BrE*) items you carry or use when doing a specific task (*Esp*) *aparejos, equipo*

accuracy *n* exactness or correctness (*Esp*) *precisión*

accurate *adj* exact, precise (*Esp*) *preciso*

accuser *n* in military law, a person who has an interest other than an official one, in the prosecution of the accused (*Esp*) *acusación privada, denunciante, el que formula el parte*. **The ~ signed and swore the charges.**

ACE *abbr* (*BrE*) armored combat earthmover (*Esp*) *maquina de combate de zapadores para movimiento de tierra*

ache *n* /eɪk/ a pain which is constant but not incapacitating (*Esp*) *dolor*. **head~** (*Esp*) *dolor de cabeza*. **tooth~** (*Esp*) *dolor de muelas*

achievable *adj* derivative from achieve (*Esp*) *alcanzable*

achieve *v* to get or attain by effort, accomplish, attain, reach (*Esp*) *conseguir, alcanzar, lograr*. **He achieved his goals through dedication and hard work.** (*Esp*) *Obtuvo sus objetivos gracias a su dedicación y trabajo duro*.

achieved *pp* derivative from achieve (*Esp*) *logrado, conseguido, cumplimentado*. **goal ~** (*Esp*) *objetivo alcanzado*

achievement *n* derivative from achieve (*Esp*) *logro, éxito, cumplimiento*

ack-ack (**AA**) *adj* *n* [*informal*] **antiaircraft** (*Esp*) *antiaéreo*

acquire *vt* ~ a **target (a)** to have a target in the sights of a weapon **(b)** to select and lock onto a target using a weapon guidance system (*Esp*) *adquirir*. **This missile can ~ a target automatically.** (*Esp*) *Este misil puede adquirir un blanco automáticamente*.

act *vi* to do something for a particular purpose (*Esp*) *actuar, hacer efecto*

action *n* [*proword*] a command ordering weapon crews to prepare to fire in a direction designated by the leader (*Esp*) *voz preventiva* [*no existe un equivalente en español*] **Squad ~ front/rear/left/right!**

active duty *n* **to be on ~**, the status of enlisted personnel or officers, who are able to perform the corresponding military tasks or who could be posted (*Esp*) *en servicio activo*. ~ **list** (*AmE*) **roster** (*BrE*) a list of commissioned officers of the Army on active duty, arranged in order of rank and seniority (*Esp*) *escalilla*

active mine *n* a mine to be actuated by the reflection from a target of a signal emitted by the mine (*Esp*) *mina activa*

actuator *n* a device that causes something to operate (*Esp*) *accionador*

ACU *abbr* ► **army combat uniform**

AD *abbr* ► **air defense**

ADA *abbr* ► **air defense artillery**

ADAM *abbr* **area denial artillery munitions**, which are artillery delivered scatterable mines (*Esp*) *municiones de artillería de impedimenta de zona*

adapt *v* to make suitable for a new use, purpose, or for different conditions (*Esp*) *adaptar*, *adaptarse*

add *vt* **(a)** join something to something else so as to increase the size, number, or amount. **A new wing was added to the building.** **(b)** put together (two or more numbers or amounts) to calculate their total value. ~ **the two numbers together.**

addressee *n* the activity or individual to whom a message is to be delivered (*Esp*) *destinatario*, *receptor*

adjust fire *vt* to direct artillery or mortar fire onto a target by observing the fall of shot and sending corrections back to the gun line (*Esp*) *corregir el tiro*

adjutant (Adj.) *n* the principal assisting officer to a commanding officer (*Esp*) *ayudante*

administrative *adj* relating to organisation and management work (*Esp*) *administrativo*. ~ **instructions**, ~ **orders** all instructions or orders issued to control or regulate matters dealing with administration and personnel (e.g. court-martial orders, bulletins, memorandums, transfer of authority, etc.) (*Esp*) *instrucción/orden administrativo*. ~ **movement** a movement in which troops and vehicles are arranged to expedite their movement and conserve time and energy when no enemy interference, except by air, is anticipated (*Esp*) *movimiento logístico* ► **travelling**

admiral *n* (*BrE*) ~ **chief of naval operations** (*AmE*) a high navy rank equivalent to an army 4-star general, OF-9 (*Esp*) *almirante*. ~ **of the fleet** (*BrE*) a rank reserved exclusively for members of the royal family (*Esp*) *almirante de la flota*. **rear** ~ a navy rank equivalent to major general in the army, OF-7 (*Esp*) *contraalmirante*. **vice** ~ (**VADM**) a navy rank equivalent to lieutenant general in the army, OF-8 (*Esp*) *vicealmirante*. ► **APPENDIX A**

ADR *abbr* ► **airfield damage repair**

advance *adv* *n* **(a)** a movement forwards (*Esp*) *avance*. ~ **guard** The leading element of an advancing force, whose primary mission is to ensure the uninterrupted advance of the main body. Its tasks are to find and exploit gaps in the enemy's defensive system, to prevent the main body of the advancing force running blindly into enemy opposition, to clear away minor opposition, or if major opposition is met, to cover the deployment of the main body. (*Esp*) *vanguardia*. ~ **party** a security element deployed forward of the **advance guard** (*Esp*) *elemento avanzado*. ~ **detachment, quartering party** a group dispatched to an area (port, base, etc.) in advance of the main body for the purpose of arranging what is necessary for the mission, or the unit and its equipment upon arrival (*Esp*) *comisión aposentadora*. ~ **to contact, movement to contact** an offensive operation designed to gain or re-establish contact with the enemy (*Esp*) *marcha de aproximación* **(b)** an improvement or development (*Esp*) *mejora, progreso*

advance *v* **(a)** to move forwards (*Esp*) *avanzar*. ~ **by bounds** (*Esp*) *avanzar por saltos*. ~ **by echelons** (*Esp*) *avanzar por escalones*. ~ **to cover** (*Esp*) *avanzar hasta cubierta* **(b)** to improve or develop (*Esp*) *mejorar, progresar*

aeroplane *n* (*BrE*) **airplane** (*AmE*) also **plane**. a flying vehicle with fixed wings, powered by at least one engine (*Esp*) *avión*

AFFT *abbr* (*AmE*) **Air Force Fitness Test** (*Esp*) *pruebas físicas del Ejército del Aire*

aforementioned *adj* a person or subject that has already been mentioned (*Esp*) *mencionado anteriormente*. **The ~ division is ready to attack.** (*Esp*) *La división mencionada anteriormente está lista para atacar.*

aft *adj* *n* back, rear section, e.g. of a submarine (*Esp*) *popa*. ► **fore**

after action report *n* a debriefing document, which includes information, comments and recommendations regarding a recently completed assignment, operation, or experience (*Esp*) *informe post misión*

agent *n* a harmful substance designed to kill, injure, or incapacitate personnel or to contaminate material or terrain (*Esp*) *agente*. **biological ~** (*Esp*) *agente biológico*. **blistering ~** (*Esp*) *agente vesicante, sustancia vesicante*. ► also **chemical**

aggressive *adj* being very forceful, either physically or verbally (*Esp*) *agresivo*. ~ **behaviour** (*Esp*) *comportamiento agresivo*

AHD *abbr* **anti-handling device**, also **anti-tampering device**, which is arranged to detonate a mine or **IED** that it is attached to, or to detonate another device or charge nearby, if it is disturbed (*Esp*) *aparato contra interferencia*. ► **antidisturbance device**

aiguillette *n* an ornament on some military and naval uniforms, which consists of colourful braided loops that hang from the shoulder, and may end in points that resemble nails (*Esp*) *cordones con clavos [como los que en España usan los ayudantes de los generales y los alumnos de academias militares, universalmente los usan los agregados militares]*

aim *vt* to align the sights of a weapon with the target (*Esp*) *apuntar (un arma)*. **to ~ at a target** (*Esp*) *apuntar a un objetivo o blanco*

aimed control effect mine *n* a mine, designed to produce a destructive effect to one or more targets in a variable direction (in a sector) approximately parallel to the ground (*Esp*) *mina de efecto dirigido*. ► also **horizontal action mine** ► also **off-route mine**

aiming *n* the precise alignment of a weapon sights with the target (*Esp*) *puntería*

air assault *n* operations in which air assault forces (combat, combat support, and combat service support), using the firepower, mobility, and total integration of helicopter assets in their ground or air roles, maneuver on the battlefield under the control of the ground or air maneuver commander to engage and destroy enemy forces or to seize and hold key terrain (*Esp*) *asalto aéreo*

air defense *n* (*AmE*) **air defence** (*BrE*) All measures designed to nullify or reduce the effectiveness of an enemy attack by aircraft or guided missiles in flight (*Esp*) *defensa aérea*

air defense artillery *n* (*AmE*) **air defence artillery** (*BrE*) The branch which supplies weapons and equipment for actively combating air targets from the ground. (*Esp*) *artillería antiaérea, AAA*

air force *n* **the ~**, one of the three services of the Armed Forces, in charge of air operations (*Esp*) *Ejército del Aire*. **Spanish ~ (SPAF)** (*Esp*) *Ejército del Aire (de España)*

air mission brief (AMB) *n* **(a)** The last coordination meeting of key participants in an air assault operation which ensures that key aviation soldiers are briefed and that the plan is finalized. It covers the operation from beginning to end. **(b)** briefing of pilots prior to any aviation mission (*Esp*) *briefing de la misión aérea*

air movement *n* air transport of units, personnel, supplies and equipment, including airdrops and air landings (*Esp*) *transporte aéreo*. ~ ~ **plan** a plan prepared, jointly by the ground force commander and the air force commander, to organize the movement of troops and resources by air (*Esp*) *plan de movimiento aéreo*

air raid *n* use of military aircraft to attack, usu. bomb, a ground target (*Esp*) *bombardeo aéreo*. ~ **shelter** a refuge designed to protect civilians from air attacks (*Esp*) *refugio antiaéreo*

air superiority *n* having superiority of the airspace above a country or particular area during a conflict (*Esp*) *superioridad aérea*

air supremacy *n* having total domination of the airspace above a country or particular area during a conflict (*Esp*) *supremacía aérea*

air tasking order (ATO) *n* a written order, regarding a specific mission, given to an Air Force Unit (*Esp*) *air tasking order [se emplea el mismo término que en inglés]*

airborne *adj* **(a)** deployed by parachute or glider. ~ **troops**, ~ **units** paratroopers, troops specially trained to effect following transport by air, an assault debarkation, either by

parachuting or touchdown (*Esp*) tropas / unidades paracaidistas o aerotransportadas. ~ **battalion** (*Esp*) batallón o bandera paracaidista (**b**) ~ **equipment** pieces of equipment that have been specially designed for use by airborne troops during or after an assault debarkation (*Esp*) equipo aerotransportado. ~ **radar** (*Esp*) radar aerotransportado (**c**) ~ **equipment** aeronautical equipment, which form an integral part of the aircraft, used to accomplish a particular mission (*Esp*) equipo de abordo (**d**) the state of an aircraft, whilst it is flying (*Esp*) en vuelo

airborne force *n* (**a**) a force composed primarily of ground and air units organized, equipped, and trained for airborne operations (**b**) a force with a great capability for large-scale force-projection operations by conducting combined arms assaults by parachute or air landing (*Esp*) fuerza aerotransportadora

airborne operation *n* An operation involving the air movement into an objective area of combat forces and their logistic support for execution of a tactical or a strategic mission. The means employed may be any combination of airborne units, air transportable units, and types of transport aircraft, depending on the mission and the overall situation. (*Esp*) operación aerotransportada

airburst *n* also **overhead burst**. An explosion of a bomb or projectile above the surface (*Esp*) explosión en el aire

air-conditioning *n* a device or system that reduces the air temperature and level of humidity within an enclosed space (*Esp*) aire acondicionado

aircraft (**A/C**) *n* [*singular and plural*] a vehicle that can fly within the atmosphere, including fixed-wing aircraft or airplanes, rotary wing aircraft or helicopters, and balloons (*Esp*) aeronave. ~ **carrier** (*Esp*) portaaviones. ~ **loading** the type of weapons an aircraft is armed with (*Esp*) configuración de una aeronave. **fixed wing** ~ plane (*Esp*) avión. **rotary wing** ~ helicopter (*Esp*) helicóptero. ► also **airplane** ► also **helicopter**

aircrew *n* [*count*] [*plural*] the people manning an **aircraft** (*Esp*) tripulación aérea

airdrop *n* the unloading of personnel or materiel from aircraft in flight (*Esp*) lanzamiento aéreo

airfield damage repair (**ADR**) *n* The range of activities required to restore the operational capability of an airfield after non-nuclear attack, including: A. Reconnaissance to assess the damage and essential recuperative work, B. Explosive ordnance disposal, C. Restoration of minimum operating surfaces, including aircraft maneuvering areas and access tracks, D. Restoration of services and facilities essential for the conduct of air operations. (*Esp*) reparación de daño de campos de aviación

airhead *n* A designated area in a hostile or threatened territory which, when seized and held, ensures the continuous air landing of troops and material and provides the maneuver space necessary for projected operations. Normally it is the area seized in the assault phase of an airborne operation. (*Esp*) cabeza de puente aérea. ► also **beachhead**

air-landed *adj* moved by air and disembarked, or unloaded, after the aircraft has landed or while a helicopter is hovering (*Esp*) transportado por vía aérea. ► also **air movement**

airlift *n* the transportation of troops or supplies by aircraft, typically when transportation by land is difficult or ineffective (*Esp*) transporte aéreo, puente aéreo. **intertheater** ~ [formerly **strategic** ~] air transportation between different theaters of operations or an air base on home territory (*Esp*) transporte aéreo estratégico. **intratheater** ~ [formerly **theater** ~] air transportation within a theater of operations (*Esp*) transporte táctico

airlift *vt* to transport (troops or supplies) by aircraft typically when transportation by land is difficult or ineffective (*Esp*) transportar por aeronave. **The vehicles were airlifted by helicopters.** (*Esp*) Los vehículos se transportaron por helicóptero.

airmobile *adj* ~ **operation**. An operation in which combat forces manoeuvre about the battlefield by aircraft to engage in ground combat. ~ **forces** the ground combat, supporting and air vehicle units required to conduct an airmobile operation. (*Esp*) fuerzas aeromóviles (con unidades de combate), FAMET. ► also **army aviation**

airplane *n* (*AmE*) **aeroplane** (*BrE*) also **plane**. A flying vehicle with fixed wings, powered by at least one engine (*Esp*) avión

airship *n* a large balloon-shaped **aircraft** that is filled with a gas, which is lighter than air, and is powered by an engine (*Esp*) dirigible

airstrip *n* a length of ground prepared for take-off and landing of aircraft (*Esp*) *pista de aterrizaje*

air-to-air missile (AAM) *n* an air-launched missile designed to operate against a target above the surface of the earth (*Esp*) *misil aire-aire*

air-to-surface missile (ASM) *n* an air-launched missile designed to operate against a target that is located on the surface of the earth (*Esp*) *misil aire-superficie*

aka *abbr* also known as (*Esp*) *alias*

alert *adj* the state of being actively aware of potential danger and problems (*Esp*) *alerto*. **to stay** ~ (*Esp*) *mantenerse en guardia*

alert *n* a warning of possible danger (*Esp*) *alerta*. **to be on the ~** (*Esp*) *estar alerta*

ALICE *abbr* (*AmE*) all-purpose lightweight individual carrying equipment. The original version was first used by the US Army in 1974, and it is still used in conjunction with other systems, although currently only in training and by non-deployable units. (*Esp*) *modelo de correa de instrucción y mochila del Ejército de los EEUU*. ► also **PLCE** ► also **MOLLE** ► also **LBE**

all clear signal *n* an audio or visual indication that a temporary period of danger has ended, especially after suffering an air attack (*Esp*) *fin de alerta*

alliance *n* a union between partners that is established for mutual benefit (*Esp*) *alianza*. **formal** ~ (*Esp*) *alianza formal*. **strategic** ~ (*Esp*) *alianza estratégica*

allocate *vt* to keep or give something for a particular purpose. (*Esp*) *asignar, repartir, adjudicar, distribuir*. **The authorities allocated 80,000 places to immigrants.** (*Esp*) *Las autoridades asignaron 80.000 sitios a los inmigrantes*.

allocation *n* derivative from allocate (*Esp*) *reparto, adjudicación, distribución, asignación*

allotment *n* (a) a part of the military salary which is voluntarily authorized to be paid to another person or institution (*Esp*) *descuento* (b) also **allocation**. An action or authorization by a superior organization to assign personnel, funds or resources to a subordinate organization (*Esp*) *asignación (de personal o de recursos)*

allowance *n* a sum of money paid regularly to a person, typically to meet specified needs or expenses (*Esp*) *dieta (de dinero), dotación*. ~ **for quarters** (*Esp*) *alojamiento*. ~ **for subsistence** (*Esp*) *manutención*

ally *n* /ˈælɪz/ a friendly nation, usually united to another by a treaty (*Esp*) *aliado*

alternative *n adj* (*BrE*) **alternate** (*AmE*) available as another possibility (*Esp*) *alternativo, otro* (a) ~ **position** the position given to a weapon or a unit to be occupied when the primary position becomes untenable or unsuitable for carrying out the task. The alternate position is located so that the individual can continue to fulfill his original task. ► also **primary position, supplementary position** (*Esp*) *posición alternativa*. (b) ~ **bridging site** The position given to a bridging area when the primary position becomes untenable or unsuitable for carrying out the task. The alternate position is located so that the individual can continue to fulfill his original task. (*Esp*) *punto alternativo para paso con puente*. (c) ~ **crossing site** The position given to an area to be crossed when the primary position becomes untenable or unsuitable for carrying out the task. The alternate position is located so that the individual can continue to fulfill his original task. (*Esp*) *punto de paso alternativo*.

ambassador *n* the highest ranking diplomat of a **diplomatic mission**, representing a nation in a foreign country, known as the **host nation** (*Esp*) *embajador*. **Iranian** ~ (*Esp*) *embajador de Irán*. ► also **embassy**

ambulance *n* a vehicle that transports sick and injured people to a hospital (*Esp*) *ambulancia*

ambush *n* a surprise attack by fire from concealed positions on a moving or temporarily halted enemy (*Esp*) *emboscada*

ammo *abbr* [informal] ► **ammunition**

ammunition (ammo) *n* (a) A device charged with explosives, propellants, pyrotechnics, initiating composition, or nuclear, biological, or chemical material for use in connection with defense or offence, including demolitions. Some are prepared for training, ceremonial, or non-operational purposes (*Esp*) *munición*. **ball** ~ (*Esp*) *munición no blindada*. **metal-jacket** ~ (*Esp*) *munición blindada* (b) a supply or quantity of bullets and shells (*Esp*) *municiones*. ~ **belt** (*Esp*) *cinta de ametralladora*. ~ **clip** (*Esp*) *cargador*. ~ **company** (*Esp*) *compañía de municionamiento*. ~ **complex** (*Esp*) *polvorín*. ~ **credit** (*Esp*) *crédito de municionamiento*.

~ **deposit** (Esp) depósito de municiones. ~ **depot** (Esp) polvorín. ~ **for peacetime-prepared obstacles** (Esp) artificios para obstáculos preparados en tiempo de paz. ~ **in hands of troops** (Esp) dotación de unidad. ~ **officer** (Esp) oficial de municionamiento. ~ **pit** (Esp) depósito de munición provisional. ~ **pouch** (Esp) cartuchera. ~ **storage** (Esp) almacenamiento de municiones. ~ **storage site** (Esp) punto de almacenamiento de municiones

amp (A) *abbr* (a) ampere, e.g. 16A. The standard unit of electrical current, where: amps = watts / volts (Esp) *amperio* (b) *abbr* amplifier (Esp) *amplificador*

amphibious *adj* Living or operating both on land and in water. (Esp) *anfíbio*. ~ **bridge** (Esp) *punteo con medios anfíbios*. ~ **crossing site** (Esp) *punto de paso con medios anfíbios*. ~ **engineer augmentation platoon** (Esp) *sección de refuerzo con zapadores anfíbios*. ~ **engineer battalion** (Esp) *batallón de zapadores anfíbios*. ~ **engineer regiment** (Esp) *regimiento de zapadores anfíbios*. ~ **force** a naval force and landing force, together with supporting forces that are trained, organized and equipped for amphibious operations (Esp) *fuerza anfibia*. ~ **rig** (Esp) *transbordador anfíbio*

amplitude *n* the magnitude of variation in a changing quantity from its zero value, or the level of an audio or other signal in voltage or current (Esp) *amplitud*

amplitude modulation (AM) *n* modulation in which the amplitude of the carrier wave is varied above and below its normal value in accordance with the intelligence of the signal being transmitted (Esp) *modulación en amplitud*

ANA *abbr* Afghan National Army (Esp) *Ejército Nacional de Tierra Afgano*

analog fixed frequency (AFF) *adj n* (AmE) **analogue fixed frequency** (BrE) the old system of radio communications, which uses analog technology on one frequency (Esp) *frecuencia fija analógica*

angle *n* the space, measured in degrees, grads or mils, between two intersecting lines or surfaces at or close to the point where they meet (Esp) *ángulo*. ~ **of fire**, ~ **of gun** the angle of a gun from the horizontal when aiming at a target (Esp) *ángulo de tiro*. ~ **of sight** the vertical angle between the horizontal plane through the weapon and the line of sight to the target (Esp) *ángulo de mira*. ► also **degree** ► also **grad** ► also **mil**. [I wear an angle on my shoulder] ► **gold bar**]

ANP *abbr* Afghan National Police (Esp) *Policía Nacional Afgana*

antenna *n* a device used to radiate or receive electromagnetic energy, generally RF (Esp) *antena*. ► also **dipole antenna** ► also **whip antenna**

antiaircraft (AA) *adj* also **ack-ack** [*infml*] that related to the destruction of aircraft in flight (Esp) *antiaéreo*. ~ **artillery (AAA)** also **triple A** (Esp) *artillería antiaérea*. ~ **gun (AAG)** (Esp) *cañón antiaéreo*

anticlockwise *adv adj* (BrE) **counterclockwise** (AmE) in the opposite direction to the way in which the hands of a clock move round (Esp) *sinextrorsum*

antidisturbance device *n* (AmE) **anti-disturbance device** (BrE) an internal or external device on a mine arranged to detonate the mine in case of outside disturbance (Esp) *aparato contra interferencia*. ► also **AHD**

antihandling device *n* (AmE) **anti-handling device** (BrE) ► **AHD**

antijamming *adj* (AmE) **anti-jamming** (BrE) a method, or system used to reduce or eliminate the effects of **jamming** (Esp) *antiperturbación*

antipersonnel mine (AP) *n* (AmE) **anti-personnel mine** (BrE) a mine designed to incapacitate personnel (Esp) *mina contra personal*. **antipersonnel blast mine** (AmE) (Esp) *mina contra personal sin metralla*. **antipersonnel fragmentation mine** (AmE) (Esp) *mina contra personal de fragmentación*

antiriot *adj* (AmE) **anti-riot** (BrE) used to suppress violent demonstrations (Esp) *antidisturbios*. ~ **grenade** (Esp) *granada antidisturbios*. ~ **munitions** (Esp) *armamento antidisturbios*

antisniper screen *n* (AmE) **anti-sniper** (BrE) any wall, curtain or other material erected or hung to block the view of potential snipers (Esp) *pantalla de protección contra francotiradores*

antitampering device *n* (AmE) **anti-tampering device** (BrE) ► **AHD**

antitank ditch *n* (AmE) **anti-tank ditch** (BrE) a wide ditch that is impassable to unaided vehicles, which may be prepared by machinery or explosives (Esp) *foso contra carro*

antitank mine *n* (AmE) **anti-tank mine** (BrE) a mine designed to immobilize or destroy a tank (Esp) *mina contra carro*. ► also **mine**

AO *abbr* area of operation (Esp) *área de operación*

AOB *abbr* any other business (Esp) *otros temas*

AOI *abbr* area of interest (Esp) *área de interés*

AOR *abbr* area of responsibility (Esp) *zona de responsabilidad*

AP *abbr* antipersonnel ► also **antipersonnel mine**

APC *abbr* **armored personnel carrier**, informally known as a battle taxi. A lightly armored vehicle designed to transport troops, which is usually wheeled (Esp) *transporte blindado, transporte (de oruga) acorazado* (TOA). ► also **IFV**

APFS projectile *n* armor-piercing fin-stabilized projectile (Esp) *proyectil APFS*

APFSDS projectile *n* an armor-piercing fin-stabilized discarding-sabot projectile (Esp) *proyectil APFSDS*

APFT *abbr* (AmE) **Army Physical Fitness Test** (Esp) *pruebas físicas del Ejército de Tierra*

apply *vi* to use something such as a rule, system, or skill in a situation or activity (Esp) *aplicar, solicitar, dirigirse*. **Please ~ in writing to the commander.** (Esp) *Por favor, diríjase por escrito al jefe.*

appoint *vt* [frm] to formally nominate someone for a post (Esp) *nombrar*. **Colonel Bayo was appointed Head of Studies of the AGM last year.** ► also **assign**

appointment *n* **(a)** an arranged formal meeting, usually with one person, such as a doctor (Esp) *cita*. **to make an ~** (Esp) *pedir hora, concertar una cita* **(b)** [frm] the act of assigning someone a new post (Esp) *nombramiento*. ► also **appoint** ► also **assign**

approach *n* **(a)** also **avenue of ~**, the route leading to a place (Esp) *acceso* **(b)** the act of coming close to a place (Esp) *acercamiento* **(c)** the selected methodology used to deal with a task (Esp) *enfoque, propuesta*

approach *vt* to come closer to a place, time or standard (Esp) *aproximarse, acercarse*

appurtenances *n* [usu. plural] [frm] minor, supplementary items belonging to something greater, such as those of a vehicle (Esp) *accesorios*

APU *abbr* **auxiliary power unit**, an additional, identical source of power to drive a piece of equipment in case the main power unit fails (Esp) *unidad auxiliar de potencia*

aqueduct *n* a bridge or viaduct carrying a water channel, usu. over a valley (Esp) *acueducto*

arch *n* a structure that has two pillars on either side of a space which support a curved roof, or which form part of a bridge carrying a road or railway (Esp) *arco*. ~ **bridge** (Esp) *puente de arco*

area defence *n* (BrE) **area defense** (AmE) holding ground or denying ground to the enemy. Unlike **mobile defence**, a force committed to area defence does not seek the destruction of the attacking force [doctrine] (Esp) *defensa de zona*. ~ ~ **weapon** a mine designed to produce a destructive effect to one or more targets in an area round about its position (three dimensional direction) (Esp) *arma de defensa de zona*

area denial weapon *n* any kind of anti-personnel device, which is used to stop, severely slow down or **choke** an enemy advance (Esp) *arma de impedimenta de zona*

area fire *n* ► **fire**

area obstacle *n* (Esp) *obstáculo de zona*

area of influence *n* a geographical area in which a commander is directly capable of influencing operations, by manoeuvre or fire support systems normally under his or her command or control (Esp) *zona de influencia*

area of interest *n* The area of concern to the commander, which includes the area of influence, areas adjacent, and extending into enemy territory to the objectives of current or planned operations. This area also includes areas occupied by enemy forces that could jeopardize the accomplishment of the mission. (Esp) *área de interés*

area of protection *n* (Esp) *zona de protección*

area of responsibility (AOR) *n* a defined area of land in which responsibility is specifically assigned to the commander of the area for the development and maintenance of installations, control of movement and the conduct of tactical operations involving troops under his control along with parallel authority to exercise these functions (*Esp*) *área de responsabilidad*

area security *n* (*Esp*) *seguridad de zona*

arm *n* (**a**) [*usu. plural*] any kind of weapon (*Esp*) *arma* ► **arms** (**b**) (*Esp*) *brazo*. ~ **band** (*BrE*) a band worn around a person's upper arm as a form of identification (*Esp*) *brasaleta*. ► also **brassard**

arm *vt* (**a**) to supply with weapons (*Esp*) *armar* (**b**) to make or prepare a bomb or explosive ready to explode (*Esp*) *armar*. ~ **a mine** (*Esp*) *espoletar una mina*

armament *n* (**a**) military weapons and equipment (*Esp*) *armamento*. **main** ~ (*Esp*) *armamento principal* (**b**) the process of equipping for war (*Esp*) *armamento*

armed *adj* (**a**) as applied to explosives, in a state of readiness to be activated, with all safety devices withdrawn (*Esp*) *armado*. ~ **mine** a mine from which all safety devices have been withdrawn and, after laying, all automatic safety features and/or arming delays have operated. Such a mine is ready to function after receipt of a target signal, influence or contact. (*Esp*) *mina armado, mina espoletado* (**b**) equipped with or carrying a loaded weapon (*Esp*) *armado*. **heavily** ~ **troops** (*Esp*) *soldados fuertemente armados* (**c**) ~ **forces** [*plural*] a country's military organisations, including the army, navy and airforce (*Esp*) *fuerzas armadas*

arming *n* as applied to explosives, the changing from a safe condition to a state of readiness for initiation (*Esp*) *armado*. ~ **delay device** a device fitted in a mine to prevent it being actuated for a preset time after laying (*Esp*) *aparato para retraso del espoletado*. ~ **pin** (*Esp*) *pasador de seguridad*

armor *n* (*AmE*) **armour** (*BrE*) (**a**) tanks and other military vehicles used in battle. (**b**) a hard covering, usually of metal plates, that protects warships, tanks, etc. against attack from shells, missiles, etc. (*Esp.*) *coraza, blindaje*. **explosive reactive** ~ (**ERA**) additional armor that explodes when struck by a projectile thereby decreasing the projectiles penetrating capabilities (*Esp*) *coraza reactiva*. ► also **body armor**

armored (**armd**) *adj* (*AmE*) **armoured** (*BrE*) covered with or protected by armor (*Esp*) *acorazado*. ~ **bridge layer** (*Esp*) *lanza puentes acorazado*. ~ **engineer company** (*Esp*) *compañía de zapadores acorazado*. ~ **engineer platoon** (*Esp*) *sección de zapadores acorazado*. ~ **engineer squadron** (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *compañía de zapadores acorazado*. ~ **engineer tank** (*Esp*) *carro de zapadores acorazado*. ~ **personnel carrier** (*Esp*) *transporte blindado, TOA* ► **APC**. ~ **recovery vehicle** (*Esp*) *vehículo de recuperación acorazado*

armorer *n* (*AmE*) **armourer** (*BrE*) a member of a military or police force who services and makes repairs to small arms, similar to the work of a civilian **gunsmith**, as well as more complex weapons systems (*Esp*) *armero, maestro armero [militar]*. ► also **armory**

armor-piercing *adj* (*AmE*) **armour-piercing** (*BrE*) ammunition capable of penetrating armour (*Esp*) *perforante*

armor-plated (*AmE*) **armour-plated** (*BrE*) covered with armor for protection (*Esp*) *acorazado*

armory *n* (*AmE*) **armoury** (*BrE*) a military **depot** where weapons and ammunition are stored, although they are always kept separately for safety reasons (*Esp*) *armería*

armour *etc.* (*BrE*) ► **armor** *etc.* (*AmE*)

arms *n* [*usu. plural*] a generic term for weapons, guns and other armaments (*Esp*) *armas*. **small** ~ (**SA**), the class of weapons that includes pistols, assault rifles and grenade launchers, which may be carried by an individual soldier (*Esp*) ≈ *armas ligeras*. ~ **cache** (*Esp*) *alijo de armas*. ~ **control** international disarmament or arms limitation, especially by mutual consent (*Esp*) *control de armas*

army *n* (**a**) a military formation larger than a corps but smaller than an army group, which usually consists of two or more army corps and is usually commanded by a general (*Esp*) *ejército* (**b**) **the Army** one of the three services of the Armed Forces, in charge of land operations (*Esp*) *Ejército de Tierra*. ~ **aviation** (*Esp*) *fuerzas aeromóviles del ET, FAMET*. ~ **blue**

service uniform (AmE) (Esp) *uniforme de paseo (azul)* ► APPENDIX B. ~ **combat uniform (ACU)** (AmE) The current US Army combat uniform, or battledress, which replaced the **BDU** with its woodland pattern in 2008. Apart from numerous design improvements, one of the main features is its **digital camouflage** pattern (Esp) *nuevo uniforme de combate* ► APPENDIX B. ~ **corps** (Esp) *cuerpo de ejército*. ~ **green service uniform** (AmE) (Esp) *uniforme de paseo (verde)* ► APPENDIX B. ~ **service uniform (ASU)** (AmE) the new blue uniform which will replace the current army blue, green and white service uniforms (Esp) *uniforme de paseo (nuevo)*. ~ **white service uniform** (AmE) (Esp) *uniforme de paseo (blanco)* ► APPENDIX B

arrange vt organize or make plans for a future event (Esp) *organizar, arreglar*. **They hope to ~ the meeting for this Thursday morning.**

arrest n the action of detaining someone, usually by a police officer (Esp) *arresto, detención*.

arrest vt to take into official custody, removing freedom of movement (Esp) *arrestar*. **to be under ~** (Esp) *quedar arrestado, estar detenido*. **You are under ~!** (Esp) *¡Queda arrestado!*

arrival n the act of reaching a **destination** (Esp) *llegada*. ~ **time** (Esp) *hora de llegada*. ► also **ETA**

ARRV abbr armored repair and recovery vehicle (Esp) *vehículo de recuperación acorazado*

art n the skill in conducting any human activity (Esp) *arte*

artificial flooding n causing an area of land that is usually dry to be completely covered by water (Esp) *inundación artificial*

artillery (arty) n (a) a general name for large caliber guns, missiles, and air defence weapons (Esp) *artillería*. ~ **piece** (Esp) *pieza de artillería*. ~ **preparation** artillery fire delivered before an attack to disrupt communications and disorganize the enemy's defence (Esp) *preparación artillera*. ► also **direct support artillery** (b) the branch of the army which uses artillery weapons (Esp) *artillería*. ~ **battalion** (Esp) *grupo de artillería*. ► also **battery** ► also **field artillery** ► also **general support reinforcing artillery** ► also **ordnance**

artilleryman n soldier serving in the artillery, also called **gunner** (Esp) *artillero*

arty abbr **artillery** [informal] (Esp) *artillería*

asap abbr as soon as possible (Esp) *a la mayor brevedad, tan pronto como sea posible*

ASM abbr **air-to-surface missile** (Esp) *misil aire-superficie*

asphalt n a black sticky substance like coal tar, which is mixed with gravel to make road surfaces, or with sand to make roofs impermeable (Esp) *asfalto*. ~ **concrete, asphalt, tarmac** (BrE) (Esp) *asfalto*

ASR abbr auxiliary supply route; an alternative track or road used to supply units at theatre level (Esp) *ruta alterna de abastecimiento*

assault (asslt) n a sudden violent attack (Esp) *asalto*. ~ **bridge** (Esp) *punto de asalto*. ~ **course** a course through which soldiers must run, negotiating the obstacles to be climbed, crawled under, crossed on suspended ropes, etc. Used for combat training and physical fitness (Esp) *pista de combate*. ~ **echelon** ► **echelon**. ~ **rifle** an infantryman's personal weapon, which is automatic magazine fed and capable of firing both in semiautomatic and automatic mode (Esp) *fusil de asalto*. ~ **river crossing** (Esp) *paso de ríos al asalto*

assault follow-on echelon n a unit not required for the initial assault, but essential to support and sustain it (Esp) *segundo escalón*

assault force n (a) in an amphibious, airborne, or air assault operation, those units charged with the seizure of the objective or lodgment area (b) those forces charged with passing through a breach in an enemy fortified position or strongpoint and seizing an objective or completing destruction of the enemy (c) those forces charged with seizure of the objective in the attack (Esp) *fuerza de asalto*

assault position n also **attack position**. The position from which the assault echelon completes its deployment and moves into the objective to close with the enemy (Esp) *posición de asalto*

assemble vt to put together, to join (Esp) *montar, reunir*. ~ **the rifle!** (Esp) *¡Monta el fusil!* [ensamblar las piezas del fusil]

assembly (assy) *n* **(a)** signal given by drum or bugle to gather or come in formation (*Esp*) *toque de asamblea* **(b)** a group of connected or related parts which normally can also be disassembled (*Esp*) *montaje*. ~ **line** (*Esp*) *cadena de montaje* **(c)** meeting (*Esp*) *asamblea*. ~ **area** **(AA)** an area in which a command is assembled preparatory to further action (*Esp*) *zona de reunión*. **The guerrilla forces got together at the ~.**

assess *vt* to make a judgement about a person or a situation after studying it carefully (*Esp*) *evaluar*

assessment *n* the process of making a judgement about a person or a situation after studying it carefully (*Esp*) *evaluación*. **damage** ~ (*Esp*) *evaluación de daños*. **target attack** ~ (*Esp*) *evaluación del ataque a objetivos*

asset *n* a useful or valuable thing, person or quality, or a sum of money (*Esp*) *medios, recursos*. **critical** ~ a civilian or military installation, system or resource that, if neutralised, would cause tremendous disruption and/or greatly weaken the enemy (*Esp*) *punto vital, instalación vital*. **air** ~ (*Esp*) *medio aéreo*

assign *vt* **(a)** to place units or personnel in an organization where such placement is relative permanent (*Esp*) *asignar* **(b)** to be assigned to / as [*passive*] to be appointed to a particular job, task or organization (*Esp*) *ser destinado*

assignment *n* **(a)** posting, allocation of a job to someone (*Esp*) *destino, nombramiento* **(b)** mission, allocation of a task to someone (*Esp*) *misión* **(c)** school project, homework (*Esp*) *deberes, tarea*

ASU *abbr* **army service uniform** (*Esp*) *uniforme de paseo (nuevo)* ► **service uniform**

ASV *abbr* **(a)** ammunition supply vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo de municionamiento* **(b)** armoured security vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo de seguridad blindado*

AT *abbr* anti-tank (*Esp*) *contra carro*. ► also **antitank ditch**, **antitank mine**

at ease *phr* (*AmE*) a drill command to adopt a more relaxed standing position, with the feet shoulder-width apart and the hands behind the back. The left foot and head can be moved, but speaking is not permitted. It can be given from the positions of **attention**, **parade rest**, **stand at ease**, or **rest** (*Esp*) [*no hay equivalente*] ≈ ¡A discreción! ► also **stand** ~ ~

ATGM *abbr* anti-tank guided missile (*Esp*) *misil guiado contracarro*

atom bomb *n* [*archaic*] also **atomic bomb** (*Esp*) *bomba atómica*

ATT *abbr* at this time [*proword*] (*Esp*) *a esa hora*

attach *vt* **(a)** to place units or personnel in an organization where such placement is relatively temporary (*Esp*) *agregar* **(b)** to connect or join (*Esp*) *adjuntar, unir*

attachment *n* personnel or a unit that are temporarily placed in an organisation, often to accomplish a specific task (*Esp*) *agregación*

attack (ATTK) *n* **(a)** an aggressive, violent act against a person or place (*Esp*) *ataque*. **He was killed in an ~ on a checkpoint.** ~ **echelon** ► **echelon.** ~ **helicopter** a helicopter specifically designed to employ various weapons to attack and destroy enemy targets (*Esp*) *helicóptero de ataque*. ~ **point** the exact place where the attack occurs (*Esp*) *punto de ataque*. ~ **position** the last position occupied by the assault echelon before crossing the line of departure (*Esp*) *posición de ataque*. **The assault team moved to the ~.**

attacker *n* a person who takes aggressive action against another (*Esp*) *atacante, agresor, asaltante*

attain *vt* to gain or achieve something, often after a lot of effort (*Esp*) *alcanzar, lograr, conseguir*. **He attained the rank of General of the Army.** (*Esp*) *Alcanzó la graduación de General de Ejército*.

attainable *adj* derivative from attain (*Esp*) *alcanzable*

attainment *n* [*uncount*] derivative from attain (*Esp*) *logro, consecución*

attempt *n* an effort to do something difficult (*Esp*) *intento*

attempt *vt* to try to do something difficult (*Esp*) *intentar*

attend *vt* **(a)** to be present at an event, meeting or function. (*Esp*) *asistir (a una reunión, etc.)*

The company commander is attending a meeting. (*Esp*) *El jefe de la compañía está asistiendo a una reunión*. **(b)** to go regularly to a school, church, etc. (*Esp*) *ir (a clase, la*

iglesia etc.), *hacer (un curso)*. **He attended the airborne course.** (Esp) *Hizo el curso de paracaidismo.*

attention *n* **(a)** the regarding of someone or something as interesting or important. **to pay ~** (Esp) *atender, prestar atención*. **You have never paid that much ~ to her opinions.** **(b)** position assumed by a soldier standing very straight with the feet together and the arms straight down the sides of the body. The drill command to assume such a position. (Esp) *firmes, ¡firmes ar!* **to stand at ~** (Esp) *estar (en posición de) firmes*. **to stand to ~.** (Esp) *ponerse (en posición de) firmes, adoptar la posición de firmes*

attic *n* the space or a room in the roof of a building (Esp) *desván, buhardilla, ático*

ATTK *abbr* ► **attack**

audio frequency (AF) *A* frequency that can be heard as a sound by the human ear. The range is roughly from 15 to 20,000 Hz. Most equipment is limited to the band between 300 and 3000 Hz (Esp) *frecuencia de audio*

augmentation *n* the reinforcement of a unit or command through the deployment or redeployment of forces or personnel (Esp) *refuerzo*

augmentee *n* personnel designed to reinforce a unit or command (Esp) *personal de refuerzo*

aural *adj* related to the ear or the sense of hearing. ~ **detection** (Esp) *detección por el sonido*

authentication *n* A security measure designed to protect a communication system against fraudulent messages (Esp) *autenticación*

automatic fire *n* a fire mode that causes the weapon to continue firing as long as the trigger is held or until all ammunition has been expended (Esp) *tiro automático*

automotive bridge launching equipment (ABLE) *n* (BrE) a vehicle that carries the launch and recovery components and some bridge components of a general support bridge (Esp) *vehículo lanza puentes*

auxiliary power unit (APU) *n* an additional, identical source of power to drive a piece of equipment in case the main power unit fails (Esp) *unidad auxiliar de potencia*

auxiliary supply route (ASR) *n* an alternative track or road used to supply units at theatre level (Esp) *ruta alterna de abastecimiento*

availability *n* the degree to which something may be used or obtained (Esp) *disponibilidad*

available *adj* able to be used or obtained. (Esp) *útil, en uso, que puede ser obtenido*. **The ammo is already ~.** (Esp) *La munición ya está disponible.*

average *n* the result obtained by adding several amounts together and then dividing this total by the number of amounts (Esp) *media*

aviation *n* **Army** ~ Army branch in charge of all the Army aircraft, mainly helicopters (Esp) *FAMET, aviación del ET*

AVLB *abbr* armored vehicle-launched bridge combat support vehicle (Esp) *vehículo acorazado y autopropulsado lanzapuerto*

AVLM *abbr* armored vehicle launched MICLIC (Esp) *vehículo / equipo levantaminas*

avoid *vt* **(a)** to keep away from something, either physically or metaphorically (Esp) *evitar* **(b)** to prevent from happening (Esp) *esquivar*

AVRE *abbr* (BrE) Armored Vehicle Royal Engineers (Esp) *carro de zapadores acorazado*

award *n* something given to an individual or unit for an exceptional act of service (Esp) *merito, recompensa*. ~ **badge** (Esp) *distintivo de merito*. **unit** ~ (Esp) *recompensa de unidad*. ►also **medal** ►also **decoration**

award *vt* to give someone something in recognition of an individual's or unit's exceptional act of service (Esp) *recompensar, otorgar*

AWOL *abbr adj* absent without leave (Esp) *ausente sin permiso, falta a lista*

axe *n* A cutting tool, traditionally used to cut down trees. (Esp) *hacha*

axis *n* the general direction of movement in land warfare, which is either planned or achieved, usually between assigned boundaries (Esp) *eje*

axle *n* a long metal bar that supports the wheels on each side of a vehicle (Esp) *eje*. **front** ~ (Esp) *eje delantero*. **back** ~, **rear** ~ (Esp) *eje trasero*. ►also **driveshaft**

azimuth *n* the angle of horizontal deviation of a bearing from the north measured clockwise (Esp) *acimut*. **magnetic** ~ (Esp) *rumbo*. **grid** ~ (Esp) *orientación*

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back fill *n* (Esp) *relleno*

back-blast *n* rearward blast of gases and debris from recoilless weapons (Esp) *rebufo*

backhoe *n* (Esp) *retroexcavadora*

backloading *n* the rearward movement of equipment and materiel, such as damaged vehicles (Esp) *evacuación de material*

backpack *n* (AmE) a bag with shoulder straps which allow it to be carried on someone's back, typically made of a strong waterproof material and widely used by soldiers and hikers.
► also **pack**, **Bergen**, **rucksack**. (Esp) *mochila*

backward *adj* from front to back (Esp) *hacia atrás*

backward(s) *adv* from front to back (Esp) *hacia atrás*

badge *n* a small piece of metal, plastic or cloth bearing a design or words, typically worn to show a person's name, rank, membership of an organization, achievement, or qualification. An award to an individual for identification purposes or for attaining a special skill or proficiency. Certain badges are available in full, miniature, and dress miniature sizes. (Esp) *insignia, distintivo*. ~ **of rank** (BrE) A distinguishing mark of military rank. ► also **insignia of grade** (AmE) (Esp) *divisas (de empleo o graduación militar)*. **course** ~ (Esp) *distintivo de curso*. **parachutist** ~ (Esp) *distintivo de paracaidista*. **cap** ~ (BrE) (Esp) *distintivos (de arma o regimiento) en la prenda de cabeza*. ► APPENDIX B

bag charge *n* a propellant charge increment contained in a combustible fabric bag, used in variable-charge gun systems (Esp) *saquete de carga*

bail out **(a)** *vi* to make an emergency evacuation from an aircraft by parachute, in the event of catastrophic technical failure or being shot down (Esp) *tirarse en paracaídas* **(b)** *vt* to empty water out of a boat, yacht or other vessel that is leaking (Esp) *achicar*

balcony *n* an external platform on a building, which is enclosed by a wall or railing (Esp) *balcón*

ballistic computer *n* A computer that assists in the aiming of the main gun of a tank. In modern day tanks they can calculate projectile trajectories factoring in wind speed, temperature, direction and target range. (Esp) *ordenador balístico*

ballistic vest *n* ► **body armour**

ballistics *n* science of projectiles and firearms (Esp) *balística*

band *n* **(a)** a thin flat strip of same material for binding a belt or a strap (Esp) *cinta, banda, anillo*. **The ~ of gold on his finger was a wedding band.** **(b)** a range of frequencies between two definite limits. Also **frequency** ~. (Esp) *banda de frecuencias*

bandage *n* [*first aid*] a absorbent material used to cover an injury (Esp) *venda*. **elastic** ~ (Esp) *venda elástica*

bandwidth *n* the width of a band of frequencies used for a particular purpose (Esp) *ancho de banda*

bangalore torpedo *n* an explosive filled pipe in connectable sections which is normally detonated to cut a passage through a wire obstacle (Esp) *pértiga explosiva*

bar *n* **(a)** a cylindrical or rectangular length of metal (Esp) *barra* **(b)** a metal strip below the clasp of a medal, awarded as an additional distinction (Esp) *barra*. ► also **gold bar** ► also **silver bar**

barbed wire *n* wire with short, sharp points along it, used for fences, etc. (Esp) *alambrada de espinos*

bark *n* the sound of alert emitted by a guard dog (Esp) *ladrido*

bark *vi* to produce a short loud sound that dogs make (Esp) *ladrar*

barrack dress *n* (BrE) uniform usually worn inside military bases for daily work, composed of a green pullover (in winter), a shirt and green or camouflaged trousers (Esp) *uniforme de trabajo*

barracks *n* [*plural*] **in** ~ a group of buildings in which service personnel live and work (Esp) *cuartel*. **to be confined to** ~ (Esp) *estar acuartelado*

barrage *n* artillery or mortar attack which is designed to fill a volume of space or area rather than aimed specifically at a given target usually lasting for some time (*Esp*) *barrera*

barrel *n* the tube of a gun through which the projectile is fired (*Esp*) *tubo o cañón (de un arma)*

barricade *n* a line of objects that is placed across a road or passage to block or stop people getting past (*Esp*) *barricada*

barrier *n* coordinated series of obstacles designed or employed to canalize, direct, restrict, delay or stop the movement of enemy forces, and to cause additional losses in personnel, time and equipment (*Esp*) *barrera de obstáculos*. ~ **ammunition storage building** An isolated secure building which is built specifically for pre-positioning barrier munitions (*Esp*) *deposito para almacenamiento de artificios y municiones de barreras de obstáculos*. ~ **employment procedures** (*Esp*) *procedimientos para el empleo de barreras*. ~ **operation** (*Esp*) *operación de obstáculos*. ~ **plan** A map or overlay on which all coordinated obstacles are marked, together with an obstacle list. Also **obstacle plan** (*Esp*) *plan de obstáculos*. ~ **restricted area** An area declared by a commander at brigade level or above, where maneuver of friendly forces must not be hindered by barrier operations. Within it, obstacles may be emplaced, activated or executed only with the authority of the commander who identifies the area (*Esp*) *zona restringida de obstáculos*. ~ **strong point** (*Esp*) *punto fuerte en una barrera de obstáculos*

BAS *abbr* battalion aid station (*Esp*) *puesto de socorro de batallón*

base *n* a military installation providing the necessary services for carrying out the mission assigned and offering at the same time the necessary conditions for a long stay (*Esp*) *base*

base camp *n* the lowest of several sites in a mountaineering expedition, where the heaviest equipment, supplies and support team are kept in a safe sheltered location (*Esp*) *campamento base*

base exchange (BX) *n* ► **exchange**

base mine *n* a mine used as a point of reference within a minefield (*Esp*) *mina de referencia*

base of fire *n* covering fire provided by a supporting unit or troops from a fixed position to offer protection whilst other units advance towards the enemy (*Esp*) *elemento de apoyo por el fuego* ► also **covering fire** ► also **overwatch**

base unit *n* a unit of organisation in a tactical operation around which a movement or maneuver is planned and performed (*Esp*) *unidad base (en una formación)*

basement *n* the floor in a building that is below ground level (*Esp*) *sótano*

baseplate *n* a thick sheet of metal that rests on the ground (*Esp*) *placa base (p. ej. en un mortero)*

bash through *vt vi* penetrate by physical force, ie. kinetic energy (*Esp*) *perforar por fuerza mecánica*. **He bashed through the thick stone wall with a big hammer.**

basha *n* [*infrml*] (*BrE*) also **bivouac**, **poncho tent**. A temporary shelter made from a poncho (*Esp*) *vivaque* ► also **hooch** (*AmE*)

basic intelligence *n* intelligence, on any subject, which may be used as reference material in the planning of operations and in evaluating subsequent information (*Esp*) *inteligencia básica*. ► also **intelligence**

basic training *n* the essential, initial training courses that all new recruits must pass in order to remain in the Armed Forces (*Esp*) *formación básica militar, formación general militar (FORGEM)*. ► also **training**

bath star *n* also **pip**. A small shape or symbol, in particular: a star (1-3 according to rank) on the shoulder of an army officer's uniform. (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *divisa de los oficiales del ET británico (especie de estrella)*. ► also **APPENDIX B**

batman *n* [*plural batmen*] (*BrE*) also **orderly**. An soldier who is assigned to assist an officer, or group of officers, with daily tasks (*Esp*) *ordenanza*

battalion (bn) *n* An army unit containing 3-5 companies or batteries plus a headquarters company. It is usually commanded by a lieutenant colonel (*Esp*) *batallón, grupo (de caballería, artillería o logístico)*. ~ **task force**, also **battlegroup** (*Esp*) *grupo táctico*. **CSS** ~ (*Esp*) *grupo logístico*. **artillery** ~ (*Esp*) *grupo de artillería*. **engineers** ~ (*Esp*) *batallón de ingenieros*

battery *n* **(a)** (bty) a company-sized artillery grouping usually with six or more guns (*Esp*) *batería*. **This ~ will support our attack.** ►also **counter-battery** **(b)** a device that stores electricity (*Esp*) *pila, batería*. **car ~** (*Esp*) *batería de coche*

battle *n* prolonged engagement between large numbers of opposing forces (*Esp*) *batalla*. **This will be a long and winding ~.** (*Esp*) *Esta será una batalla larga y ardua.* ~ **area clearance** systematic clearance of ground over which conflicts have been fought and which is contaminated with mines, sub-munitions, unexploded ordnance, ammunition, NBC weapons and their components, missile fuels, weapons, and other hazardous debris (*Esp*) *limpieza del campo de batalla*. ~ **dress** **(BD)** (*BrE*) combat uniform (*Esp*) *uniforme de instrucción/campaña* ►APPENDIX B ►BDU. ~ **taxi** ►APC

battle fatigue *n* also **combat fatigue**. Mental and physical exhaustion produced by prolonged combat (*Esp*) *estrés de combate*. ►also **shell shock**

battlefield *n* the area in which a battle is fought (*Esp*) *campo de batalla*. **There are a lot of troops on the ~.** (*Esp*) *Hay muchas tropas en el campo de batalla.* ~ **air interdiction** **(BAI)** air action against hostile surface targets which are in a position to directly affect friendly forces and which requires joint planning and co-ordination. While BAI missions require co-ordination in joint planning they may not require continuous co-ordination during the execution stage. (*Esp*) *interdicción aérea del campo de batalla* ~ **evacuation** the process of moving wounded, injured or ill personnel from the battlefield along the medical chain of evacuation (*Esp*) *evacuación de bajas en campaña*. ~ **recovery** removal of disabled, damaged or abandoned materiel either own or enemy from the battlefield to either a collection point or to a maintenance or supply installation (*Esp*) *recuperación de material en campaña*

bay *n* **(a)** section of a floating bridge (*Esp*) *tramo o elemento* **(b)** designated area within a warehouse, depot or installation (*Esp*) *acotado* **(c)** straight section of a trench (*Esp*) *tramo*

bayonet *n* a knife that attaches to the front of an assault rifle for **hand-to-hand combat** (*Esp*) *bayoneta*

BDA *abbr* ►**battle damage assessment**

BDE *abbr* ►**brigade**

BDU *abbr* (*AmE*) battle dress uniform. A model of combat uniform in service in the US military. It has several versions and color patterns: temperate and hot weather versions in woodland camouflage, and the desert version. Introduced in 1981, It replaced the green jungle fatigues in service during the Vietnam campaign. (*Esp*) *uniforme de instrucción/campaña*. ~ **cap** (*AmE*) camouflaged cap worn as part of the battle dress uniform (*Esp*) *gorra del uniforme de instrucción*. ►APPENDIX B ►also **ACU**

beachhead *n* a designated area on a hostile or potentially hostile shore that, when seized and held, ensures the continuous landing of troops and materiel, and provides maneuver space requisite for subsequent projected operations ashore (*Esp*) *cabeza de playa*. ►also **airhead**

beacon *n* **(a)** a fire or light located in a prominent position, which is used as a warning or a signal, or to visually guide shipping or aircraft (*Esp*) *baliza* **(b)** a radio transmitter whose signal helps to fix the location of a ship, aircraft or spacecraft (*Esp*) *radiobaliza* **(c)** a fire lit on a hilltop, often in conjunction with many others, to celebrate a national event (*Esp*) *almenara*

beam *n* a long thick bar of wood, metal, or concrete, especially one which is used to support the roof of a building (*Esp*) *haz, viga*. ~ **bridge** (*Esp*) *punteo viga*. ~ **post** (*Esp*) *poste*. ~ **post obstacle** a tank obstacle formed of vertical girders set in shafts in a roadway (*Esp*) *obstáculo a base de postes o hincas de postes*

beard *n* long facial hair grown around a man's cheeks, chin, neck and mouth (*Esp*) *barba*

bearing *n* **(a)** horizontal direction expressed in degrees of a true or magnetic north direction (*Esp*) *rumbo*. **magnetic ~** (*Esp*) *rumbo*. **grid ~** (*Esp*) *orientación* **(b)** ~ **capacity**, ~ **strength** the ability of a soil to support the weight of traffic or buildings, where the **CBR** is the standard measure of the soil bearing capacity (*Esp*) *capacidad portante (del suelo)*

beat up *vt* to violently attack someone by hitting them repeatedly (*Esp*) *dar una paliza*

beckon *vt* to make a gesture to call someone closer (*Esp*) *llamar por señas*

beg *vi* to ask for something, such as food or money, in a desperate, persistent manner (*Esp*) *mendigar, rogar*

belief *n* an acceptance that something is true, especially without evidence (*Esp*) *creencia*.
religious ~ (*Esp*) *creencia religiosa*

belt *n* (a) an item of clothing worn around the waist which serves to hold up the trousers (*Esp*) *cinturón*. ►APPENDIX B (b) a feeding system for automatic weapons that consists of a chain to hold cartridges (*Esp*) *cinturón para cartuchos*

bend *n* a curve, especially a sharp one, in a road, river, path, etc. (*Esp*) *curva*

beret *n* /bə'reɪ/ (*AmE*) /'bereɪ/ (*BrE*) (a) a round flattish cap, made of felt or cloth (*Esp*) *boina* (b) **organizational** ~ (*AmE*) (*Esp*) *boina correspondiente a un arma, cuerpo o unidad militar* (c) **service** ~ (*AmE*) (*Esp*) *boina del uniforme de paseo femenino*

Bergen *n* ® (*BrE*) a type of large rucksack supported by a metal frame (*Esp*) ≈ *mochila grande*.
 ►also **backpack, rucksack, pack**

berm *n* a mound of soil or earth placed in the middle of a road or trail used as an obstacle and usually containing a number of mines placed inside (*Esp*) *berma, talud*

berry *n* a small round fruit from a bush or tree containing seeds (*Esp*) *baya*

BFPO *abbr* British Forces Postal Office. The address code of a military unit on operations, which includes a reference number, e.g. BFPO 794, together with the name, rank and service number of the addressee, and the name of the unit (*Esp*) ≈ *oficina de correos militar británico*. ►also **MPO**

BG *abbr* ►**brigadier general**

bias *n* an unfair preference for or against an option or person (*Esp*) *parcialidad, inclinación*

binoculars *n* [plural] an optical instrument with a lens for each eye, used for viewing distant objects (*Esp*) *prismáticos*. I could clearly see the hidden bunker 300 meters away with my ~.

binos *abbr* [informal] ►**binoculars**

biological agent *n* (*Esp*) *agente biológico*. ►also **agent**

bipod *n* a support consisting of two legs, such as that of a rifle (*Esp*) *bípode*. ►also **tripod**

bite *n* the use of teeth to cut into something (*Esp*) *mordisco*. **snake** ~ (*Esp*) *picadura de serpiente*

bivouac *n* a temporary camp without tents or cover, used especially by soldiers or mountaineers (*Esp*) *vivac*

bivouac *vi* to stay in a temporary camp, without tents or cover (*Esp*) *vivaquear*

BL *abbr* breech loading (*Esp*) *retrocarga*

blackout *n* (a) the covering of all windows, switching off street lights, etc. to prevent light being seen by enemy aircraft (*Esp*) *oscurecimiento, apagar el alumbrado* (b) **news** ~ a temporary ban on the release of news (*Esp*) *bloqueo informativo*

bladder *n* flexible container used to carry, to hold liquids (*Esp*) *depósito flexible*

blade *n* the flat cutting edge of a knife, bayonet, sword or similar implement (*Esp*) *hoja*

blank *n* ammunition designed to simulate the firing of a weapon, consisting of a small propellant charge but no projectile used for training, saluting and weapon testing (*Esp*) *munición de fogueo, (munición de) salvas*. ~ **ammunition** also **drill ammunition** (*Esp*) *munición de fogueo*. ~ **round** (*Esp*) *disparo o cartucho de fogueo, salva*

blank firing adapter *n* also **blank firing apparatus**. A device that fits on the muzzle of the rifle; used only to simulate weapon firing. (*Esp*) *bocacha de salvas*

blanket *n* a warm cover for a bed, often made of wool (*Esp*) *manta*

blast *n* the destructive wave of air from an explosion (*Esp*) *onda explosiva, onda expansiva*. ~ **pressure** (*Esp*) *presión de la onda de choque*. ~ **protection** (*Esp*) *protección contra la onda expansiva*. ~ **shock** (*Esp*) *efecto de la onda de choque*. ~ **signature** the quantity and quality of light and sound produced when a rifle, rocket, missile or other weapon is fired (*Esp*) *"firma" del fogonazo*. ~ **wall** a thick wall designed to offer increased protection from explosions (*Esp*) *muro de protección contra explosiones*. ~ **wave** (*Esp*) *onda de choque*.
 ►also **muzzle blast**

blast through *vt vi* penetrate by explosive force, ie. chemical energy (*Esp*) *perforar por explosión*. **They used dynamite to blast their way through the mountain.**

blasting cap *n* also **squib**. A small cylinder in which a sensitive explosive is enclosed, which can be actuated by a time fuze or by electricity, and is used to set off a larger explosive charge (*Esp*) *cebo pirotécnico, cebo eléctrico*

bleed *vi* to lose **blood** from the body (*Esp*) *sangrar*

blend *v* (a) to mix together with something else to form a harmonious combination (*Esp*) *mezclar, combinar* (b) ~ (in) **with** to become similar to the surroundings, and in doing so becoming less noticeable (*Esp*) *armonizar, pasar por desapercibido*

blindfold *n* a piece of cloth tied around someone's head to stop them from seeing anything (*Esp*) *venda [para los ojos]*

blindfold *vt* to cover someone's eyes by tying a piece of cloth around their head (*Esp*) *vendarle los ojos a*

blitzkrieg *n* the lightning fast attack German soldiers used when they attacked Poland (*Esp*) *guerra de relámpago*

block *v* to deny enemy access to a particular area, or to prevent enemy advance into an area [*doctrine*]

blood *n* the red fluid that the heart pumps around the body (*Esp*) *sangre*. ► also **bleed** *vi*

blouse *n* (a) a woman's shirt (*Esp*) *blusa* (b) (*AmE*) an old-fashioned term to refer to the jacket of the service uniform (*Esp*) *guerrera*

bloused *adj* referred to the material of a garment disposed in loose folds, as trouser legs over the tops of boots (*Esp*) *ablusado*. ~ **trousers** (*Esp*) *pantalones remetidos en las botas, bombachos*

blow an operation *v* [*past blew, pp blown*] to ruin the original plan of the operation (*Esp*) **The enemy could hear the soldier coughing and they immediately knew what we were up to. The whole operation was blown thanks to one man coughing.**

blowback *n* weapon operating system which uses the force of expanding propellant gases acting against the face of the bolt to operate the extraction and reloading mechanism (*Esp*) *retroceso de masas*

blue berets *n* [*plural*] [*informal*] UN peacekeepers (*Esp*) *cascos azules*

blue forces *n* (*Esp*) *fuerzas propias* ► **friendly forces**

blue on blue *adj n* also **friendly fire**, also **non-hostile fire**, fire from **blue forces** (also **friendly forces**), as opposed to fire coming from enemy forces. In a friendly fire incident, forces or material assets of one side are attacked and damaged in error by those of their own or their allies (*Esp*) *fuego amigo*. ► also **enemy fire**

blues *n* (*BrE*) also **number 1 dress**. Blue military uniform worn on formal and ceremonial occasions, equivalent to the Army blue uniform in the US Army. (*Esp*) *uniforme de gala (azul): usado en formaciones y actos militares solemnes, bodas etc.* ► APPENDIX B

bluff *n* a very steep **cliff** or slope (*Esp*) *risco, acantilado*

board *n* a group of people who are appointed to act as a fact finding or advisory body, or to study or examine matters, presenting the results or recommendations to the appointing authority (*Esp*) *comisión, tribunal*. ~ **of examinations** (*Esp*) *tribunal de exámenes*. ~ **of inquiry** (*Esp*) *comisión asesora-investigadora*

body armor *n* [*uncount*] (*AmE*) **body armour** (*BrE*) high-technology, protective clothing that is designed to absorb the impact of bullets and shrapnel, which includes a helmet and a ballistic vest (*Esp*) *casco y chaleco antifragmentos/antibala* ► also **flak jacket**. **enhanced combat** ~ (*BrE*) ► ECBA

body count *n* the act of establishing the total number of fatalities after a battle, sustaining a missile attack, etc. (*Esp*) *recuento de bajas*. ► **killed in action** ► **missing in action**

bodyguard *n* a person whose duty is to physically protect someone from attack (*Esp*) *guardaespaldas*

bog *n* an area of wetland with acidic peat soil and characteristically brown water, which is typically found in colder climates in the northern hemisphere (*Esp*) *turbera*

bog down *vt* to slow down or stop the advance of something, such as troops, a convoy, or work in general, due to external conditions such as enemy resistance, weather conditions or bureaucracy (*Esp*) *atascar*

bogged in *adj* being physically **stuck** and unable to advance, such as a heavy vehicle in soft wet ground (*Esp*) *atascado*

BOLO *abbr* **be on the lookout for** (*Esp*) *estar acecho a, ir a la caza de*. ► also **lookout**

bolt *n* **(a)** part of the breech mechanism of a rifle or another light weapon which slides backwards to open the breech and forwards to close it (*Esp*) *cierre (de un arma ligera)*. ~ **carrier** (*Esp*) *sopORTE del cierre*. ~ **head** (*Esp*) *cabeza del cierre* **(b)** the main cylindrical part of a sliding door **lock** (*Esp*) *cerrojo, pestillo*

bomb *n* **(a)** a munition which is free-dropped by an aircraft (*Esp*) *bomba (de aviación)* **(b)** a mortar round (*Esp*) *granada (de mortero)* **(c)** an improvised explosive device (*Esp*) *bomba, artefacto explosivo*. ~ **dump** a facility where large quantities of explosive armament is stored (*Esp*) *polvorin de bombas*. ~ **maker** a person who makes home-made explosive devices (*Esp*) *fabricante de artefactos*. **guided** ~, also **guided ~ unit (GBU)**, **smart** ~ an unpowered munition which, after being dropped by the launching aircraft, glides onto a pre-determined target typically using a laser, GPS, television or infra-red guidance system (*Esp*) *bomba guiada* **petrol** ~ (*Esp*) *cóctel molotov*. ► **molotov cocktail**

bomb *vt* to attack with bombs, usually referring to those dropped by aircraft (*Esp*) *bombardear*

bombard *vt* to attack with artillery. ► also **shell** (*Esp*) *hacer fuego de artillería (sobre)*

bombardment *n* artillery attack. ► also **shelling** (*Esp*) *fuego de artillería, ataque artillero*

bomber *n* **(a)** a person who plants bombs, especially an insurgent (*Esp*) *persona que coloca bombas* **(b)** a type of military aeroplane that drops bombs (*Esp*) *bombardero*. **dive** ~ (*Esp*) *bombardero en picado*

bombing *n* action of dropping bombs on a target (*Esp*) *bombardeo (fuego de aviación)*

BOMBREP *abbr* bombing report (*Esp*) *informe de bombardeo, informe de fuego de aviación*

booby trap *n* an explosive or non-explosive device, which is deliberately placed to cause casualties when an apparently harmless object is disturbed or a normally safe action is performed (*Esp*) *mina trampa, trampa explosiva*. ► also **AHD**

booby-trapped *adj* (*Esp*) *trampeado* ► **booby-trap**

boom *n* **(a)** the arm of a crane or excavator (*Esp*) *pluma, brazo* **(b)** bang, the sound of an explosion (*Esp*) *estruendo, pum*

boonie hat *n* also **bush hat**, also **giggle hat** (*AusE*) a round hat with a wide brim, similar to the Australian bush hat, which is made of cotton rip-stop material, and is used in hot weather (*Esp*) *chambergó*

booster charge *n* explosive charge required to initiate the main explosive charge, which may also be used to propel an **IED** into the air prior to the main detonation in order to maximise damage (*Esp*) *multiplicador*

booster station *n* ► **relay terminal**

boot camp *n* the initial six to twelve week period of basic military training for new recruits (*Esp*) *módulo básico de instrucción*

boot lace *n* a cord or leather strip passed through eyelets or hooks on opposite sides of a shoe or garment and then pulled tight and fastened (*Esp*) *cordones de bota*

boots *n* a sturdy item of footwear covering the foot and ankle, and sometimes also the leg below the knee (*Esp*) *botas*. **combat** ~ (*Esp*) *botas del uniforme de instrucción*

border *n* also **frontier**, the line along the Earth's surface dividing two different regions or nations (*Esp*) *frontera*. ~ **checkpoint** (*Esp*) *control de frontera*. **international** ~ (*Esp*) *frontera internacional*

border *n* also **frontier**. The line dividing two different regions or nations (*Esp*) *frontera*. ~ **control** (*Esp*) *control de fronteras*. ~ **police** (*Esp*) *aduanas*

bore *n* **(a)** the hollow part inside a gun barrel (*Esp*) *ánima*. **smooth** ~ (*Esp*) *ánima lisa*. **rifled** ~ (*Esp*) *ánima rayada*. **(b)** caliber [interior diameter of a gun barrel] (*Esp*) *calibre*. **small** ~ **weapon** (*Esp*) *arma de pequeño calibre*

bore evacuator *n* This device is located mid way along the main gun of a tank barrel. Its purpose is to clear the barrel of gunsmoke so that fumes do not enter the crew compartment of the tank. Also called **fume extractor** (*Esp*) *extractor de gases/humos del ánima*

boss *n* [*infrm*] **(a)** a person who is in charge of a worker or organization (*Esp*) *patrón, jefe*. **(b)** in a military context, only colloquially, it may refer to a senior officer (*Esp*) *jefe*. **Is your ~ in his office?** (*Esp*) *¿Está tu jefe en su despacho?*

boulder *n* a very large stone, over about one metre in diameter (*Esp*) *roca grande, bloque*

bound *n* a long step or jump involving a lot of energy (*Esp*) *salto* **to advance by bounds** (*Esp*) *avanzar en saltos*

boundary *n* in land warfare, a line by which areas of responsibility between adjacent units, or formations, are defined (*Esp*) *límite*

bounding mine *n* an anti-personnel mine that is designed to explode just a few metres above ground, throwing fragments and splinters in all directions, and so achieving a larger killing zone than a buried mine (*Esp*) *mina de salto*

bounding overwatch *n* A movement technique used when contact with enemy forces is expected. The unit moves by bounds. One element is always halted in position to overwatch another element while it moves. The overwatching element is positioned to support the moving unit by fire or fire and movement. (*Esp*) *movimiento por saltos*

bow tie *n* a necktie in the form of a bow or a knot with two loops (*Esp*) *pajarita*

braces *n* (*BrE*) elastic straps for holding up trousers. ► also **suspenders** (*Esp*) *tirantes*

Bradley *n* ® An American IFV, which was named after WW2 General Omar Bradley (*Esp*) *Bradley*

braids *n* ropes worn across the chest on formal and ceremonial uniforms (*Esp*) *cordones*

branch *n* **(a)** a subdivision of a large organisation, operating locally or having a particular function (*Esp*) *arma, cuerpo, unidad, sucursal [banco]* **(b)** part of a tree that grows out from the trunk (*Esp*) *rama [arbol]*

brass *n* **(a)** alloy of copper and zinc used to make cartridge cases and bullet jackets (*Esp*) *latón* **(b)** common name for expended cases [*infrm*] (*Esp*) *vainas, casquillos*

brassard *n* (*AmE*) a band worn on the sleeve typically with a uniform ► also **arm band** (*Esp*) *brazalete*

bravery *n* courage; the opposite of **cowardice** (*Esp*) *valentía*

breach *vt* make an opening in a defensive wall or obstacle (*Esp*) *abrir una brecha*

breaching charge *n* (*Esp*) *carga para apertura de brecha*. ► also **hasty breaching**

break down *v* **(a)** *vi* to stop functioning due to a mechanical or electrical fault, especially a machine (*Esp*) *averiarse* **(b)** *vt* to demolish a door, wall or other obstacle to allow troops to pass through (*Esp*) *derribar*

breakthrough *n* a rupturing of the enemy's forward defenses that occurs as a result of a **penetration**, which permits the passage of an exploitation force (*Esp*) *ruptura*

breastwork *n* a low temporary defence or parapet, built up to chest height (*Esp*) *parapeto*. ► also **sangar**

breech *n* **(a)** a mechanism used to close the rear end of a gun barrel when the projectile is loaded and to withstand the rearward pressure of propellant gases when the gun is fired (*Esp*) *sistema de cierre*. ~ **loaded weapon, breechloader** (*Esp*) *arma de retrocarga*. ~ **loading (BL)** *adj* (*Esp*) *retrocarga, de retrocarga* **(b)** *n* the part of an artillery cannon behind the bore (*Esp*) *culata [sólo en cañones de artillería]*. ~ **block** the mobile component which holds the base of the round while it is being chambered and fired. In small weapons it is also called bolt (*Esp*) *cierre*

brick *n* a small rectangular block, usually made of clay or concrete, which is used in building (*Esp*) *ladrillo*

brickwork *n* the bricks in a wall, building or other structure (*Esp*) *mampostería*

bridge *n* a structure of wood, iron, concrete etc., providing a way across a river, road, railway, etc. (*Esp*) *punte*. ~ **closure** (*Esp*) *cierre del puente*. ~ **demolition** (*Esp*) *destrucción / voladura de puente*. ~ **span** (*Esp*) *vano de un puente*

bridgehead *n* An area of ground held or to be gained on the enemy's side of an obstacle. In river crossing operations, an area on the enemy's side of the water obstacle that is large enough

to accommodate the majority of the crossing force, has adequate terrain to permit defense of the crossing sites, provides security of crossing forces from enemy direct fire, and provides a base for continuing the attack. (*Esp*) *cabeza de puente*

bridle path *n* also **bridleway**. A path or track for the passage of horses but not vehicles (*Esp*) *camino de herradura*

brief *vt* instruct or inform someone thoroughly, especially in preparation for a task (*Esp*) *dar instrucciones*. **She briefed him on last week's decisions.**

briefcase *n* a small rectangular bag, often leather, typically used by business people to carry documents (*Esp*) *maletín*

briefing *n* a meeting in which information or instructions are given before an operation (*Esp*) *reunión operativa previa, briefing*

brigade (BDE) *n* an Army unit consisting of a number of **battalions**, usually 3 to 6, which is usually commanded by a **brigadier** (general) or a **colonel** (*Esp*) *brigada*. ~ **headquarters (BDE HQ)** (*Esp*) *cuartel general de brigada*. ~ **insignia** a badge or distinguishing mark worn on the uniform to identify the wearer's brigade (*Esp*) *distintivo de brigada*. ►APPENDIX B. **engineer** ~ (**ENG BDE**) (*Esp*) *brigada de ingenieros*

brigadier (Brig) *n* (*BrE*) ~ **general (BG)** (*AmE*) officer rank above colonel and below major general (*Esp*) *general de brigada*. ►APPENDIX A

brim *n* the projecting edge around the bottom of a hat (*Esp*) *ala (de un sombrero)*

brook *n* a small stream (*Esp*) *arroyuelo*

brush *n* (a) an area of open land covered by undergrowth, small trees, and shrubs (*Esp*) *zona de maleza* (b) small trees and shrubs found in an open area of land (*Esp*) *maleza*. (c) (*Esp*) *cepillo, escoba*

bt *abbr* battery (*Esp*) *batería (bía.)*

bucket loader *n* (*Esp*) *cargadora frontal*

buddy-buddy system *n* (*BrE*) **buddy team** (*AmE*) A system in which each soldier has a designated partner to help him when close cooperation is required, such as in battle, to check their NBC suits, etc. (*Esp*) *trabajo en binomio*

buffer *n* (a) a shock absorbing device for reducing the effect of an impact (*Esp*) *amortiguador* (b) a storing device (*Esp*) *almacén de compensación* (c) an electric circuit designed to stabilize another circuit (*Esp*) *circuito estabilizador* (d) storing device in computers (*Esp*) *memoria buffer*

buffer zone *n* A defined area controlled by a peace operations force from which disputing or belligerent forces have been excluded. A buffer zone is formed to create an area of separation between disputing or belligerent forces and reduce the risk of renewed conflict. It is also called area of separation in some United Nations operations. (*Esp*) *zona de separación*

bugle *n* a small brass instrument, usually without valves, which is used by the military to give signals (*Esp*) *corneta*. ~ **call** (*Esp*) *toque de llamada a instrucción*. **to sound the ~** (*Esp*) *tocar la corneta*

build-up *n* the process of attaining prescribed strength of units and prescribed levels of vehicles, equipment, stores and supplies (*Esp*) *acumulación de fuerzas y medios*

built-in test equipment (BITE) *n* a device included in a weapon system or equipment in order to test it without using external aid (*Esp*) *equipo de comprobación incorporado*

built-up area *n* a concentration of structures, facilities, and population, such as villages, cities, and towns (*Esp*) *zona urbanizada*. **Tanks are not suited for use in a ~.**

bulb *n* a small electrical device that produces light (*Esp*) *bombilla*

bulk *adj* [*before a noun*] being in a large amount, usu. that is bought or transported (*Esp*) *a granel, al por mayor*

bulk *n* a large amount or greater portion of something (*Esp*) *mole, masa*. **in ~** in a large quantity (*Esp*) *a granel, al por mayor, en grandes cantidades*

bulkhead *n* separating wall (*Esp*) *mampara, mamparo*

bulldozer *n* (*Esp*) *tractor con empujadora*

bullet *n* generic term for the type of projectile fired by small weapons. The term is often, though incorrectly, used to refer to a complete cartridge (*Esp*) *bala*

bulletproof *adj* able to withstand a direct shot from a pistol or rifle (*Esp*) *antibalas, blindado*

bullpup *adj* A rifle or sub-machine gun configuration with the magazine fitted behind the pistol grip. Examples are the SA80 (*BrE*) and the FAMAS G2 (*French Army*) assault rifles. ~ **configuration**, ~ **design**, ~ **layout** (*Esp*) *diseño bullpup*

bull's-eye-target *n* any target with a round black circle and scoring rings, normally used in competitive marksmanship training (*Esp*) *diana*

bungees *n* [*plural*] also **bungee cord** or **bungee**. A long nylon-cased rubber band used for securing luggage and in the sport or bungee jumping (*Esp*) *correa elástica, pulpos*

bunker *n* a fortified structure providing both horizontal and vertical protection, which is usually made of reinforced concrete and metal (*Esp*) *blocao, casamata, búnker*. ► also **shelter**

buried *adj* being underground and covered with soil, such as an **IED** (*Esp*) *enterrado*

burkha *n* also **burqa**. A long, loose-fitting outer garment worn by women in some Islamic countries, which covers the entire body and only leaves either veil or a small gap to see through (*Esp*) *burka, burqa*

burn *vt* **(a)** to consume fuel in a fire (*Esp*) *quemarse, arder* **(b)** to harm or destroy by fire or intense heat (*Esp*) *quemarse*. ~ **down** *v* to completely destroy a structure in a fire (*Esp*) *incendiar* **(c)** to cause the skin to become red and painful due to overexposure to the sun (*Esp*) *quemarse*

burst *n* **(a)** firing of a series of bullets rapidly (*Esp*) *ráfaga* **(b)** explosion (*Esp*) *explosión*

burst *vi* to explode (*Esp*) *explotar*. **The shell ~ next to the command post.** (*Esp*) *El proyectil (de artillería) explotó junto al puesto de mando.*

bury *vt* to place in a hole or **trench** and cover with earth, such as a water pipe (*Esp*) *enterrar*. ~ **a device** (*Esp*) *enterrar un artefacto*. ~ **munitions** (*Esp*) *enterrar municiones*

bush *n* **(a)** a shrub or clump of shrubs with stems of moderate length (*Esp*) *arbusto*. **The plant will develop into a dense ~.** **(b) the ~** wild or uncultivated country (*Esp*) *el monte*. **They have to spend a night camping in the ~.** ~ **hat** ► **boonie hat**

butt *n* also **butt stock** or **stock**. The thicker end of a weapon or a tool (*Esp*) *culata (de un arma larga)*. ► APPENDIX C

button *n* **(a)** a small metal or plastic disc sewn into a garment either to hold it closed by pushing it through a buttonhole or as decoration (*Esp*) *botón* **(b)** a small part on electrical equipment that is pressed to operate it (*Esp*) *botón*

button up *vi* also **close down**. To close the doors and hatches of an armoured vehicle (*Esp*) *cerrar escotillas en vehículos blindados*

buttplate *n* metal or rubber covering of the end of the stock on the rifle (*Esp*) *cantonera*. ► APPENDIX C

buttstock *n* also **butt** or **stock**, the thicker end of a weapon that is fired from the shoulder (*Esp*) *culata, culatín (de un arma larga)*. ► APPENDIX C

BX *abbr* ► **exchange**

by numbers *n* preparatory command in close order drill to carry out a movement step by step (*Esp*) *por tiempos*

bypass *n* a road passing round a town or its centre to provide an alternative route for through traffic (*Esp*) *desvío*

bypass *vt* to go around or avoid, using a **bypass** (*Esp*) *evitar, desviar*

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C2 *abbr* **command and control** (*Esp*) *mando y control*

C2I *abbr* command, control and intelligence (*Esp*) *mando, control e inteligencia*

C3 *abbr* command, control and communications (*Esp*) *mando, control y comunicaciones*

C4 *abbr* command, control, communications and computers (*Esp*) *mando, control, comunicaciones e informática*

C-4 *abbr* **Composition 4**. A common variety of plastic explosive, which is 1.34 times as powerful as **TNT** (*Esp*) *composición 4, C-4*

C4I *abbr* command, control, communications, computers and intelligence (*Esp*) *mando, control, comunicaciones, informática e inteligencia*

cache *n* a secret place where food and supplies are hidden (*Esp*) *alijo*. **arms** ~, **weapons** ~ (*Esp*) *alijo de armas, caleta de armas (AmL)*

cadastral map *n* a detailed map of large scale (normally 1:2000) to show the dimensions and boundaries of real state properties (*Esp*) *mapa catastral*

cadet on dormitory guard duty *n* (*Esp*) *cuartelero [cadete]*

cadre *n* [*frml*] /'kædri/ (*AmE*) /'kɑ:də/ (*BrE*) a small group of specially trained people in a profession or military force (*Esp*) *cuadro*

caliber *n* (*AmE*) **calibre** (*BrE*) the diameter of the bore of a gun excluding the depth of the grooves (*Esp*) *calibre*

call *n* **(a) to be on** ~ to be able to be contacted in order to provide a professional service if necessary, but not formally on duty (*Esp*) *estar alertado o de imaginaria (para un servicio)* **(b) ~ for fire** formal request of fire support (*Esp*) *petición de fuego* **(c) ~ sign** **(C/S)** the name which is used to identify the person or unit sending or receiving a radio message (*Esp*) *indicativo, distintivo (de llamada)*

call *vt* **(a)** to shout to someone to attract their attention (*Esp*) *llamar* **(b)** to contact someone by telephone or radio comms (*Esp*) *llamar*. ~ **in air support** (*Esp*) *solicitar apoyo aéreo*

calm down *vt* to make or become peaceful and quiet (*Esp*) *calmarse*

camel *n* a large desert animal that has one or two bumps on its back, and is used as a means of transport (*Esp*) *camello*

camouflage (cam) *n* a way of hiding or disguising a soldier, military equipment and installations by painting or covering them so that they look like part of their surroundings (*Esp*) *camuflaje, enmascaramiento*. ~ **assets** (*Esp*) *material y equipo para enmascaramiento*. ~ **equipment** (*Esp*) *equipo de enmascaramiento*. ~ **measures** (*Esp*) *medidas de enmascaramiento*. ~ **net** (*Esp*) *red mimética*. **digital** ~ also **MultiCam** (*AmE*) (*Esp*) *camuflaje digital*. Also **woodland** ~, **desert** ~, **Australian** ~ (**auscam**)

camouflage *vt* to hide somebody or something using camouflage (*Esp*) *enmascarar*

camp *n* also **campsite**. A place with temporary accommodation of huts, tents, or other structures, typically used by soldiers, refugees, or travelling people. (*Esp*) *campamento*

campaign *n* a prolonged period of military activity in a specific area or region aimed at accomplishing strategic or operational objectives by armed forces (*Esp*) *campaña (bélica)*. **The air ~ was tough.** (*Esp*) *La campaña aérea fue dura*

canalize *vt* (~ **in BrE**) to restrict operations to a narrow zone by use of existing or reinforcing obstacles or by fire or bombing. A tactical task used to restrict operations to a narrow zone by the use of obstacles, fires, or unit maneuvering or positioning (*Esp*) *canalizar*

candle *n* a stick of wax that is burnt to provide light (*Esp*) *vela*

canibalization point *n* (*Esp*) *punto de canibalización*. ► also **cannibalize**

canister *n* a short range projectile containing sub-munitions or fragments encased in a container that is designed to open after firing (*Esp*) *bote (de metralla)*. **smoke** ~ (*Esp*) *bote de humo*

cannibalize *v* also **cannibalise** (*BrE*) to take personnel from one or more units, or components from disabled weapon systems to complete a given unit or to fix systems or materiel (*Esp*) *canibalizar*

cannon *n* [*archaic*] any **gun** or conventional piece of artillery of 20-mm calibre or more (*Esp*) *cañón*

canoe *n* a long narrow boat usu. for one or two people, which is moved using a **paddle** (*Esp*) *canoa, piragua*

canteen *n* (*AmE*) **water bottle** (*BrE*) a small water bottle, as used by soldiers or campers (*Esp*) *cantimplora*

canvas *n* [*uncount*] strong, coarse cloth made from cotton, hemp (*cañamo*), flax (*lino*), or a similar yarn (*hilo*) (*Esp*) *lona, lienzo*

canyon *n* a deep gorge, typically one with a river flowing through it, as found in North America (*Esp*) *cañón*

cap *n* a kind of soft, flat hat without a brim and typically having a peak. (*Esp*) gorra, gorro. ~ **comforter** tubular woollen garment that can be used as a cap or a scarf (*Esp*) bufanda tubular que se puede usar como gorro. ► APPENDIX B

capability *n* the power or ability to do something (*Esp*) capacidad

cape *n* cloak, sleeveless outer garment that falls loosely over the shoulders (*Esp*) capa

captain (Capt) *n* (a) officer rank in the Army, marine corps and US Air Force above first lieutenant and below major (*Esp*) capitán (b) officer rank in the Navy above commander, equivalent to an Army colonel (*Esp*) capitán de navío (c) person in command of a ship or pilot in command of a civil aircraft (*Esp*) capitán (d) **group** ~ (*BrE*) senior officer rank in the Royal Air Force equivalent to an Army colonel (*Esp*) coronel de la Fuerza Aérea británica ► APPENDIX A

capture *vt* to take and detain a soldier or enemy material by force or surprise (*Esp*) capturar. ► also **detainee**

caravan *n* (a) (*AmE*) **motorhome** (*BrE*) a vehicle equipped to be lived in (*Esp*) autocaravana (b) (*BrE*) a covered trailer which is equipped to be lived in (*Esp*) caravana, rulot, tráiler (*AmL*) (c) a large group of vehicles and pack animals travelling together, usu. across desert or other hostile terrain (*Esp*) caravana

carbine *n* a short light rifle, such as the G36K (*Esp*) carabina ► APPENDIX C

cardboard *n* a material similar to paper but thicker and stronger (*Esp*) cartón. ~ **box** (*Esp*) caja de cartón

cardigan *n* also ~ **sweater**. A knitted jumper fastening down the front typically with long sleeves (*Esp*) chaqueta (de punto)

cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) *n* (*Esp*) reanimación cardiovascular

cargo *n* a load transported by ship, aircraft or motor vehicle (*Esp*) carga

carriage *n* also **gun** ~. A mobile or fixed support for a gun. It sometimes includes the elevating and traversing mechanisms (*Esp*) afuste, cureña

carriageway *n* (*BrE*) each of the two sides of a motorway or dual carriageway, each of which usually have two or more lanes (*Esp*) calzada

carrier frequency frequency used by a communication channel to transmit intelligence between two or more distant locations (*Esp*) frecuencia portadora

carrier wave The RF component of a transmitted wave upon which an audio signal, code signal, or other form of intelligence can be impressed (*Esp*) onda portadora

carry out *vt* perform a task or planned operation (*Esp*) desarrollar una tarea o una operación planeada

carrying handle *n* the rigid part on the top of a suitcase, assault rifle, radio set, etc. that makes it easy to transport by hand (*Esp*) asa de transporte

cartridge *n* a complete round of small weapon ammunition (*Esp*) cartucho. ~ **cap**, also **primer**, a component in the base of a cartridge case that contains a small initiation and ignition charge for the propellant (*Esp*) cápsula iniciadora, estopín. ~ **case** a container, usually of brass (*latón*) or steel, which contains the propellant charge and houses the ignition system in fixed and semi-fixed ammunition (*Esp*) vaina, casquillo. ~ **case body** (*Esp*) cuerpo (de vaina). ~ **case head** (*Esp*) culote (de vaina). ~ **case neck** (*Esp*) gollete (de vaina). ~ **pouch** (*Esp*) cartuchera

CAS *abbr* ► **close air support**

case *n* ► **cartridge case**

CASEVAC *abbr* **casualty evacuation** is the rapid evacuation of wounded personnel, using any form of transport available, from the battlefield to a safer place where they can receive medical treatment (*Esp*) evacuación de heridos, CASEVAC. ► also **MEDEVAC**

casualty (cas) *n* any person who is lost to the organization by having been declared dead, injured, diseased, detained, captured or missing (*Esp*) baja. ~ **evacuation** ► **CASEVAC**. ► **killed in action**, ► **missing in action**

caution *n* alertness and care taken to avoid danger or mistakes (*Esp*) prudencia, cautela. **proceed with** ~ (*Esp*) avanza con prudencia

cautious *adj* tentative, or being alert and careful to avoid danger (*Esp*) prudente, cauto

cavalry *n adj* **(a)** soldiers who fight on horseback (*Esp*) *caballería* **(b)** modern soldiers who fight in armoured vehicles (*Esp*) *caballería*. ~ **brigade** (*Esp*) *brigada de caballería*

cave *n* a large underground chamber, normally of natural origin, in a mountain or cliff (*Esp*) *cueva*

CBR *abbr* California bearing ratio ► **bearing capacity**

CBRN *abbr adj* chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (*Esp*) *NRBQ*. ~ **kit** (*Esp*) *equipo NRBQ*. ~ **suit**, also **noddy suit** (*BrE*) [*infml*] (*Esp*) *traje NRBQ*

CBRNe *abbr adj* chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and improvised explosives (*Esp*) *NRBQe*

CDO *abbr* ► **commando**

cease fire *vi* the command given for soldiers to stop firing (*Esp*) *voz de alto el fuego*

CEFO *abbr* (*BrE*) combat equipment fighting order

cell phone *n* (*AmE*) **mobile phone** (*BrE*) a wireless civilian telephone that can be used wherever there is a strong enough signal (*Esp*) *teléfono móvil*. ► also **land line**

cement *n* a grey powder made by burning lime and clay, that sets hard after mixing with water and sand, and is used in buildings to stick bricks together or for making very hard surfaces (*Esp*) *cemento*. ~ **concrete** (*Esp*) *hormigón cemento*. ► also **concrete**

cemetery *n* a place containing **graves**, where dead people are buried (*Esp*) *cementerio*

CEMO *abbr* (*BrE*) combat equipment marching order

central reservation *n* (*BrE*) **median, median strip** (*AmE*) the narrow area of land separating opposing lanes of a dual-carriageway or other divided major road (*Esp*) *mediana*

centre of gravity *n* the aspect of the enemy's overall capability which, if attacked and eliminated, will lead to either his inevitable defeat or his desire to negotiate a peace agreement [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *centro de gravedad*

CEV *abbr* combat engineer vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo de combate de zapadores*

CFV *abbr* cavalry fighting vehicle, such as the M3 Bradley, which is designed for scout missions and has a crew of three with space for two passengers (*Esp*) *vehículo de combate de caballería* ► also **IFV**

chain of command *n* also **command channel**, the succession of commanding officers from a superior to a subordinate through which command is exercised (*Esp*) *cadena de mando, línea de mando*

chalk *n* **(a)** [*uncount*] a weak white limestone rock (*Esp*) *caliza*. ~ **soil** (*Esp*) *tierra caliza* **(b)** also **stick**, a line/team of paratroopers in a plane, ready to jump (*Esp*) *grupo de salto* **(c)** also **stick**, a number of bombs ready to be dropped from a bomber (*Esp*) *carga de bombas*

chamber *n* part of the bore that contains the propellant charge (*Esp*) *recámara*

chamber *vt* to place a round of ammunition into the chamber of a gun (*Esp*) *cargar (un arma)*

chambering *n* a step in the **cycle of operation** that refers to fully seating a round in the chamber (*Esp*) *cargar*

chancery *n* [*frml*] the offices occupied by a **diplomatic mission**, usu. in an embassy (*Esp*) *cancillería, embajada* ► **embassy**

change *vt* take or use another instead of (*Esp*) *cambiar*. **We had to ~ direction because there was an enemy checkpoint close to us.**

channel *n* an assigned band of frequencies for a radio or television over which transmissions can be made from one station to another (*Esp*) *canal*

chapel *n* a small church (*Esp*) *capilla, ermita*

charge **(a)** *n explosive* ~ in combat engineering, a quantity of explosive, prepared for demolition purposes (*Esp*) *carga*. **(b)** *phr* ► **in ~**

charge *vi* to advance aggressively in a final assault on an enemy position (*Esp*) *cargar*. **Charge!** (*Esp*) *¡Al ataque!*

charging handle *n* ► **cocking handle**

charity worker *n* someone who works for a non-governmental organisation (*Esp*) *voluntario*

chart *n* a sheet of information in the form of a table or diagram (*Esp*) *diagrama*. **organization** ~ (*Esp*) *organigrama*

chassis *n* the frame, wheels, and machinery of a motor vehicle, on which the body is supported (*Esp*) *chasis*

check point (CP) *n* also **vehicle** ~ (**VCP**) a barrier or manned entrance, typically at a border, where security checks are carried out (*Esp*) *punto de verificación, control (de carretera)*

check-up *n* also **medical** ~. a general revision of one's health (*Esp*) *revisión médica*

chemical *adj* relating to, produced by or using chemistry or chemicals (*Esp*) *químico*. ~ **agent** a chemical substance intended for use to kill, injure or incapacitate people, excluding riot control agents and herbicides (*Esp*) *agente químico*. ~ **agent detector** a device which is able to register and measure amounts of chemical agents (*Esp*) *detector de agentes químicos* ►also **agent**. ~ **energy projectile** a projectile that destroys its target using explosive, chemical energy (*Esp*) *proyectil perforante de energía química* ►also **HEAT** ►also **blast through** ►also **kinetic energy projectile**. ~ **mine** (*Esp*) *mina química*. ~ **warfare (CW)** (*Esp*) *guerra química*

chevron *n* a V-shaped line or stripe, such as those on the sleeve of a military uniform which indicate rank or length of service (*Esp*) *galón en ángulo [símbolo de los empleos de suboficial en los ejércitos de los EEUU y el Reino Unido]*. ►also **gold bar**

chief *n* the person with the highest rank in an organization (*Esp*) *jefe*. ~ **of Staff (COS)** (*Esp*) *Jefe de Estado Mayor*. ~ **of the Defence (CHOD)** (*Esp*) *Jefe del Estado Mayor de la Defensa (JEMAD)*. ~ **of Police (CoP)**, also **Police Chief** the highest ranking officer in the chain of command of a police department (*Esp*) *Jefe de Policía*. ~ **master sergeant** US Air Force rank equivalent to an army sergeant major (*Esp*) *suboficial superior [del EA de los EEUU]*. **Commander in ~ (of the Armed Forces)** usu. the Head of State, i.e. a President or Monarch (*Esp*) *Jefe supremo de las FAS*

chin strap *n* a strap attached to a hat, helmet or other headgear, designed to hold it in place by fitting under the wearer's chin (*Esp*) *barbuquejo*. ►APPENDIX B

chinagraph pencil *n* a waxy pencil used to write on china, glass, or other hard smooth surfaces (*Esp*) *lápiz graso*

Chobham *n* ® also ~ **armor (AmE)** ~ **armour (BrE)** armour made of layers of different materials or a matrix of one material in which other materials are embedded (*Esp*) *coraza Chobham*. ►also **armor**

CHOD *abbr* ► **Chief of the Defence**

choke point *n* also **bottle neck**, a geographical point on land or water that restricts the movement of forces and can be natural, man-made, or created through the disposition of forces (*Esp*) *punto de estrangulamiento*

chopper *n* [infml] helicopter (*Esp*) *helicóptero*

chow *n* [infml] food (*Esp*) *papeo*

chow *vi* [infml] to eat (*Esp*) *papear*

CI *abbr* ► **counterintelligence**

circuit *n* an arrangement of one or more complete paths for flow of electrical current, water, etc. (*Esp*) *circuito*. ~ **switching** ► **switching** ►also **trunk circuit**. ~ **board** also **printed ~ board (PCB)** [electronics] a laminated panel onto which an electrical circuit, with chips and other electronic components is then mounted (*Esp*) *placa de circuito impreso [sin componentes], PCB*. **printed ~ assembly (PCA)** a populated circuit board, i.e. with mounted electronic components (*Esp*) *circuito impreso [poblado con componentes], PCA*

circumvent *vt* to bypass an obstacle (*Esp*) *sortear, salvar*. ~ **a checkpoint** (*Esp*) *evitar un control*

CIS *abbr* communications and information systems (*Esp*) *sistemas de comunicaciones e información*

cistern *n* a reservoir, tank or container for storing water (*Esp*) *depósito de agua, cisterna*

citation *n* (a) an official statement that acknowledges outstanding service or character, especially for bravery (*Esp*) *mención en la orden* (b) a quotation from a text or speech (*Esp*) *cita*

CIVCAS *abbr* ► **civilian casualties**

civil *adj* **(a)** events that happen within a country and that involve the different groups of people in it (*Esp*) **civil** **(b)** referring to the rights and duties of private persons or corporate bodies, as opposed to criminal, military or ecclesiastical (*Esp*) **civil**. ~ **action** a court case brought by a person or a company against someone who is alleged to have done them wrong (*Esp*) *acción civil*. ~ **affairs** one of the elements to be considered in the logistic plan related to civvy matters (*Esp*) *asuntos civiles*. **the** ~ **aviation industry** (*Esp*) *la industria de aviación civil*. ~ **defense** the organization and training of the ordinary people in a country so that they can help the armed forces, police force, etc. ~ **engineering**, ~ **works** (*Esp*) *ingeniería civil, obra civil*

Civil Guard *n* **(a)** **the** ~ (*Esp*) *la Guardia Civil* **(b)** **a** ~ (*Esp*) *un guardia civil*

civilian **(CIV)** *n* ordinary citizen who is not a member of the armed forces (*Esp*) **civil**. **The head of the military 'juntas' has appointed several civilians to the Cabinet.** (*Esp*) *El jefe de las 'juntas' militares ha nombrado a varios civiles para el Gabinete.*

civilian *adj* referring to the ordinary citizen (as opposed to the armed forces) (*Esp*) **civil**. ~ **casualties** **(CIVCAS)** (*Esp*) *bajas civiles*. **The** ~ **were numerous.** (*Esp*) *Las bajas civiles fueron numerosas.*

civvies *n* [*plural*] (*BrE*) [*informal*] civilian clothes. **to be in/wear** ~ (*Esp*) *de paisano*. **The sailors only wear their** ~ **when they are on leave.**

civvy *n* (*BrE*) [*informal*] civilian (*Esp*) **civil**. ~ **street** (*Esp*) *vida civil*

CJTF *abbr* ► **combined joint task force**

clandestine *adj* done in secrecy or concealment, especially for purposes of subversion or deception (*Esp*) *clandestino*. ~ **meetings were being held in an underground wine cellar.** ~ **operation** *n* an operation sponsored or conducted by governmental departments or agencies in such a way as to assure secrecy or concealment. A clandestine operation differs from a covert operation in that emphasis is placed on concealment of the operation rather than on concealment of identity of sponsor. In special operations, an activity may be both covert and clandestine and may focus equally on operational considerations and intelligence-related activities. (*Esp*) *operación secreta*

clasp knife *n* (*BrE*) a knife with a blade that folds into the handle. ► also **jack knife** (*Esp*) *navaja*

class *n* **(a)** group of pupils meeting regularly in a course (*Esp*) *clase* **(b)** group of students or alumni whose year or graduation is the same (*Esp*) *promoción* **the** ~ **of '88** **(c)** a number of things, items or products regarded as forming a group by reason of common attributes, characteristics, qualities or traits (*Esp*) *clasificación (de materiales, provisiones, productos derivados del petróleo, etc.)*. ~ **A uniform** (*AmE*) the class A green uniform is composed of the Army green coat and trousers, an Army green shade long sleeve shirt and a black four-in-hand necktie (*Esp*) *modalidad de uniforme de paseo (diario) con guerrera* ► **APPENDIX B**. ~ **B uniform** (*AmE*) the class B green uniform is composed of the Army green trousers and Army green shade short or long sleeved shirt (A four-in-hand necktie will always be worn with the long sleeves) (*Esp*) *modalidad de uniforme de paseo sin guerrera, en mangas de camisa* ► **APPENDIX B**

clay *n* a dense cohesive soil (*Esp*) *arcilla*. ~ **soil** (*Esp*) *tierra arcillosa*

clear *adj* if a pistol or rifle is clear, the magazine is removed and the chamber is empty, making the weapon completely safe to handle (*Esp*) *descargado*

clear *vt* to remove something that is blocking something else or causing a problem (*Esp*) *despejar*. ~ **a route** (*Esp*) *despejar un itinerario*. ~ **a weapon** to remove all rounds from a weapon or to check that it is already empty, making it completely safe (*Esp*) *pasar revista a un arma*. ~ **an area** (*Esp*) *despejar una zona*. ~ **mines** (*Esp*) *desminar*. ► also **clear** *adj*

clear width *n* the space allowing a vehicle to pass (*Esp*) *anchura despejado*

clearance *n* **(a)** the distance between a vehicle and a solid object, such as the ground, a wall or a bridge (*Esp*) *espacio*. **ground** ~ (*Esp*) *luz (de un vehículo)* **(b)** the act of clearing an area (*Esp*) *despeje* ► **clear** *vt*. **mine** ~, also **demining** the act of safe removal or controlled detonation of unexploded mines (*Esp*) *desminado, eliminación de minas* **(c)** generally speaking, the act or process of giving or receiving authorisation (*Esp*) *autorización* **(d)** written authorisation to access classified information (*Esp*) *acreditación de seguridad* **(e)** certification of compliance with required standards (*Esp*) *certificación* **(f)** a document

permitting a ship, aircraft or vehicle to leave or to take a certain route (*Esp*) *visado o pasaporte*

clearing method *n* the system used to neutralise mines (*Esp*) *método de deminado*. ► **MICLIC**

cliff *n* a vertical rock face, especially along the coast (*Esp*) *acantilado, cortado*. **We followed a path along the top of a ~.**

clock in *vi* also **clock on** (*BrE*) to record the time of entry at the workplace, often using a personal card (*Esp*) *fichar (al entrar)*. ► also **clock out**

clock out *vi* also **clock off** (*BrE*) to record the time of exit from the workplace, often using a personal card (*Esp*) *fichar (al salir)*. ► also **clock in**

clockwise *adj adv* in a curve corresponding in direction to the movement of the hands of a clock (*Esp*) *dextrorsum, en el sentido de las agujas del reloj*

close *adj* only a short distance away or apart in space (or time) (*Esp*) *cerca de, próximo a*. **Enemy troops are ~ to that built-up area.**

close a minefield lane *vt* (*Esp*) *cerrar un pasillo en campos de minas*

close air support (CAS) *n* air action by fixed and rotary-wing aircraft against hostile targets which are in close proximity to friendly forces and which require detailed integration of each air mission with the fire and movement of those forces (*Esp*) *apoyo aéreo próximo*

close combat *n* the act of directly engaging the enemy in a battle, using infantry (*Esp*) *combate próximo*

close down *vi* also **button up**, to close the doors and hatches of an armoured vehicle (*Esp*) *cerrar escotillas en vehículos blindados*

close operation *n* any action by combat elements in contact with the enemy, including **close air support** (*Esp*) *operación próxima*. ► also **operation**

close support *n* the action of the supporting force against targets or objectives which are sufficiently near the supported force to require integration or co-ordination of the supporting action with the fire, movement, or other actions of the supported force (*Esp*) *apoyo próximo*. ► also **support**

close-order drill *n* (*AmE*) also **drill, foot drill**, practice in formation marching and other movements, and in the handling of arms during formal marching and ceremonies (*Esp*) *instrucción de orden cerrado*

close-order formation *n* [*archaic*] Placing of soldiers close together in lines for tactical purposes, which became unnecessary with the introduction of automatic weapons; being able to concentrate fire without concentrating troops, which also eradicated the massed bayonet charge. These tactics were replaced by **enfilade** and **defilade**. (*Esp*) *formación en orden cerrado*

close-quarters battle (CQB) *n* a strategic concept in which a small infantry unit engages in **hand-to-hand combat** using small arms, bayonets and knives in intense, short-duration combat, typically to take control of a building, vehicle or vessel (*Esp*) *combate cuerpo a cuerpo*

cloth *n* (**a**) [*uncount*] woven or felted fabric made from wool, cotton, or a similar fibre (*Esp*) *tejido, tela* (**b**) a piece of fabric used for cleaning or drying something (*Esp*) *trapo*

clothing *n* [*uncount*] garments in general (*Esp*) *ropa*

CLP *abbr* **combat logistics patrol**, also **supply convoy** (*Esp*) *convoy de abastecimiento* ► **logistics**

cluster *n* In land mine warfare, a component of a pattern-laid minefield. It may be antitank, anti-personnel or mixed. It consists of one to five mines and no more than one antitank mine. (*Esp*) *grupo de minas, núcleo minado*

CNR *abbr* **combat net radio**. The network of voice radio links on the battlefield (*Esp*) *red radio de combate*

CO *abbr* **commanding officer**. Officer commanding a battalion or equivalent size unit (*Esp*) *jefe de unidad tipo batallón*

coalition *n* an ad hoc agreement between two or more nations for a specific, common action (*Esp*) *coalición*

coastline *n* a long strip of land next to the sea (*Esp*) *línea costera*

coat *n* **(a)** thick outer garment worn outdoors having sleeves and usually extending below the hips (*Esp*) *chaquetón, abrigo* **(b)** the jacket of a military dress or service uniform (*Esp*) *guerrera*

coat of arms *n* a heraldic shield that represents a family, nation or organisation (*Esp*) *escudo de armas*

coaxial cable *n* A transmission line consisting of two conductors, one inside the other, and separated by insulating material. The inner conductor may be a small copper tube or wire; the outer conductor may be metallic tubing or braid. Radiation loss from this type of line is very little. (*Esp*) *cable coaxial*

co-axial machinegun *n* co-axial machineguns are located along side the main gun of a tank and follow the same plane of rotation (*Esp*) *ametralladora coaxial*

cock *vt* to set the firing mechanism of a gun in order to prepare it for firing (*Esp*) *montar (un arma)*

cocking *n* the step in the cycle of operation of a light weapon that refers to the rearward movement of the bolt riding over the hammer, resetting the weapon for subsequent firing (*Esp*) *armado, montado*. ~ **handle**, ~ **lever**, **charging handle** (*Esp*) *palanca de montar*. ►APPENDIX C

code of conduct *n* a rule or set of rules governing correct behaviour (*Esp*) *código de conducta*

COIN *abbr* counterinsurgency (*Esp*) *contra insurgencia*

cold weather coat *n* (*Esp*) *chaquetón*

collapsible *adj* able to be folded into a small space, also **folding**. (*Esp*) *plegable*. ~ **buttstock**, **folding buttstock** (*Esp*) *culatín plegable*

collar *n* a band of material around the neck of a shirt, coat or other garment, either upright or turned over and generally an integral part of the garment (*Esp*) *cuello (de la camisa o chaqueta)* ~ **dogs** (*BrE*), ~ **badges** A badge or distinguishing mark belonging to an arm or corps, worn on the collar of the jacket of a uniform (*Esp*) *distintivos (de arma o regimiento) en el cuello de la camisa o guerrera*

collateral damage *n* unintended and undesirable civilian personnel injuries or materiel damage adjacent to a target produced by the effects of friendly weapons (*Esp*) *daño colateral*

collect *vt* to bring or gather things together, typically when scattered or widespread (*Esp*) *recoger* ~ **your weapons and ammo at once!**

colonel **(Col)** *n* /'kɒrnəl/ (*AmE*) /'kɜːnl/ (*BrE*) **(a)** a high rank in the Army, and the US Air Force and Marine Corps, above lieutenant colonel and below brigadier general (*AmE*) or brigadier (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *coronel* **(b)** a general term to address colonels and lieutenant colonels. **lieutenant** ~ **(LTC, Lt Col)** officer rank in the Army, and US Air Force and Marine Corps, above major and below colonel. (*Esp*) *teniente coronel*. ►APPENDIX A

color guard *n* those who carry the national flag and appropriate unit flags during ceremonies, as well as any riflemen escorting them (*Esp*) *escolta (piquete) de la bandera*

combat *n* fighting, warfare (*Esp*) *combate*. ~ **boots** [plural] (*Esp*) *botas [uniforme de instrucción]*. ~ **cap** *n* camouflaged cap worn as part of the battle dress uniform ►also **BDU cap** (*Esp*) *gorra del uniforme de instrucción* ►APPENDIX B. ~ **dress** (*BrE*), ~ **uniform**, ~ **fatigue uniform** (*AmE*), also **battle dress uniform**, **field uniform**. The uniform intended to be worn by soldiers in actual combat (*Esp*) *uniforme de instrucción o campaña* ►APPENDIX B. ~ **engineer**, also **sapper** (*Esp*) *zapador, ingeniero de combate*. ~ **engineer vehicle (CEV)** (*Esp*) *vehículo de combate de zapadores*. ~ **engineering** Engineering activities and capabilities that provide close support to land forces in combat. The three forms of support are with regard to mobility, countermobility and survivability (*Esp*) *ingeniería (de combate)*. ~ **fatigue**, also **battle fatigue**, mental and physical exhaustion produced by prolonged combat (*Esp*) *estrés de combate* ►also **shell shock**. ~ **functions** Functions that commanders integrate and coordinate to synchronize battle effects in time, space, and purpose. They are intelligence, maneuver, fire support, air defense, mobility and survivability, logistics, and battle command (*Esp*) *funciones de combate*. ~ **intelligence** information about the enemy, weather and terrain required to plan and conduct combat operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia para el combate*. ~ **jacket** (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *camisola (sobre la camisa) [uniforme de instrucción]* ►APPENDIX B. ~ **net radio (CNR)**

the network of voice radio links on the battlefield (*Esp*) *red radio de combate*. ~ **outpost (COP)** (*Esp*) *puesto avanzado de combate*. ~ **patrol (a)** a tactical ground force unit sent out from the main group to engage in independent fighting (*Esp*) *patrulla de combate* ~ **patrol (b)** a detachment assigned to protect one side of a main fighting group (*Esp*) *patrulla de combate*. ~ **power** The total means of destructive and/or disruptive force which a military Unit/formation can apply against the opponent at a given time. A combination of the effects of maneuver, firepower, protection, and leadership (*Esp*) *potencia de combate*. ~ **ration pack** an amount of food supplied to the soldiers in the field, usually as a meal ready to eat (*MRE*) (*Esp*) *ración de campaña*. ~ **readiness** the state of being fully prepared for battle (*Esp*) *disponibilidad para el combate*. ~ **service support (CSO)** support provided to combat forces, primarily in the fields of administration and logistics (*Esp*) *servicio de apoyo al combate*. ~ **soldier 95 (BrE)** the current **combat dress** worn by all ranks (*Esp*) *uniforme de campaña (británica)*. ~ **support (CS)** Units and soldiers that provide critical combat functions in conjunction with combat arms units and soldiers to secure victory. The included branches and functions are: Chemical Corps, civil affairs, psychological operations, Military Intelligence, Military Police Corps, and the Signal Corps (*Esp*) *apoyo al combate*. ~ **team**, also **combined arms team**, two or more arms mutually supporting one another, usually consisting of infantry, armor, cavalry, aviation, field artillery, air defense artillery, and engineers (*Esp*) *unidad interarmas*. ~ **train** elements of a small unit required for immediate logistic support of the combat elements, such as medical, transport, supply and maintenance (*Esp*) *tren de combate* ► also **field train**. ~ **vest** a light camouflaged waistcoat worn by the infantry, which contains numerous pockets and pouches (*Esp*) *chaleco de combate*. **enhanced** ~ **body armour (BrE)** ► **ECBA**

combat *vt* [*archaic*] to enter a fight or battle against (*Esp*) *luchar contra, combatir*

combat ready *adj* fully prepared for battle (*Esp*) *listo para el combate*

combatant *n* Individuals of belligerent forces subject to the laws of war. Servicemen carrying out tasks in a fighting unit as distinguished from those doing logistic duties out of the zone of operations (*Esp*) *combatiente*

combined arms *n* the synchronized or simultaneous application of several arms, such as infantry, armor, artillery, engineers, air defense, and aviation, to achieve an effect on the enemy that is greater than if each arm was used against the enemy in sequence (*Esp*) *interarmas*. ~ **team**, also **combat team**, two or more arms mutually supporting one another, usually consisting of infantry, armor, cavalry, aviation, field artillery, air defense artillery, and engineers (*Esp*) *unidad interarmas*

combined joint task force (CJTF) *n* a temporary grouping of units from different nationalities and of two or more services under a single commander, organized for the purpose of engaging in an operation (*Esp*) *fuerza operativa conjunta y combinada*

come across *vt* to meet or find unexpectedly (*Esp*) *encontrarse*. **After the railroad tracks you will ~ a shallow stream.**

come upon *vt* to arrive at (*Esp*) *llegar a*. **Go straight ahead until you ~ an old windmill.**

comfort box *n* a box of personal effects that a soldier is permitted to take on a tour of duty overseas, or one that his family post to him (*Esp*) ≈ *caja de efectos personales*

COMINT *abbr* ► **communications intelligence**

command *n* (a) an order (*Esp*) *orden*. **He gave the ~ to fire.** (*Esp*) *Dió la orden de disparar*.

The message was sent at the General's ~. (*Esp*) *El mensaje se envió por orden del General*. **drill** ~ word of command, order for a movement in a drill (*Esp*) *voz de mando (firmes, descanso, etc.)*

preparatory ~ (*Esp*) *voz preventiva [en orden cerrado]*. ~ **of execution** (*Esp*) *voz ejecutiva [en orden cerrado]*

(b) (CD) authority (*Esp*) *mando*. **to be in ~** (*Esp*) *estar al mando*. **The officer in ~.** (*Esp*) *El oficial al mando*. **Who is in ~ of this unit?** (*Esp*) *¿Quién está al mando de esta unidad?*

He assumed the ~ of the regiment. (*Esp*) *Se hizo cargo/ asumió el mando del regimiento*. **second in ~ (2ic)** (*Esp*) *segundo jefe*. ~ **channel** ► **chain of command**. ~ **post (CP)** The headquarters of a unit or subunit where the commander and staff perform their functions (*Esp*) *puesto de mando*

command *vt* (a) to order (*Esp*) *ordenar*. **to ~ somebody + inf.** (*Esp*) *ordenar algo a alguien*. **He commanded us to fire.** (*Esp*) *Nos ordenó que disparásemos*. (b) to have authority over

somebody or something, like a military unit a ship, etc. (Esp) *estar al mando de, mandar.*

Colonel Jones commands the regiment. (Esp) *El coronel Jones manda el regimiento.*

command and control (C2) *n* The exercise of authority and direction by a properly designated commander over assigned and attached forces in the accomplishment of the mission. Command and control functions are performed through an arrangement of personnel, equipment, communications, facilities, and procedures employed by a commander in planning, directing, coordinating, and controlling forces and operations in the accomplishment of the mission. (Esp) *mando y control*

command detonated mine *n* a mine detonated by remote control (Esp) *mina accionada por mando a distancia*

command wire *n* for **low-tech** detonation of a device with an electric firing cable as opposed to using a **remote control** system, which avoids **jamming** and gives the user complete control (Esp) *cable detonador*. ~ ~ **improvised explosive device (CWIED)** (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado con cable detonador* ► also **improvised explosive device (IED)**

command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence (C4I) *n* Integrated system of doctrine, procedures, organizational structures, facilities, communication computers, and supporting intelligence assets. It includes missile warning and cueing of defense systems by missile warning sensors and ground stations. C4I provides command authorities at all levels with timely and accurate data systems to plan, monitor, direct, control, and report operations. The means for the commander to communicate his intent, command and control his forces, and disseminate pertinent information throughout his area of operations. (Esp) *mando, control, comunicaciones, informática e inteligencia*

commandant *n* the officer in command of certain units or organizations (Esp) *jefe, director, comandante*. **The ~ of the Military Academy** (Esp) *El director de la Academia Militar*. **The ~ of the Marine Corps** (Esp) *El Jefe del cuerpo de Infantería de Marina*.

commander (CDR) *n* **(a)** officer in command (Esp) *jefe o comandante (de una unidad militar)* **battalion** ~ (Esp) *Jefe de batallón*. **deputy** ~ (Esp) *segundo jefe*. ~ **in Chief (of the Armed Forces)** (referred to the Head of State: President or Monarch) (Esp) *Jefe supremo de las FAS*. **(b)** Naval officer rank above lieutenant commander and below captain (Esp) *Capitán de Fragata*. **lieutenant** ~ Naval officer rank above lieutenant and below commander (Esp) *Capitán de Corbeta*. ► APPENDIX A

commanding *adj* holding comand (Esp) *al mando, que manda*. ~ **officer (CO)** an officer commanding a battalion or equivalent size unit (Esp) *jefe de una unidad o centro militar tipo batallón*

commando (CDO) *n* (BrE) a special forces soldier (Esp) *comando, soldado (de operaciones especiales)*. ~ **operations** (BrE) raids conducted by specially trained forces (commando forces) against objectives located in territory occupied by the enemy (Esp) *operaciones especiales*

commendation *n* an official statement that acknowledges someone's outstanding character or bravery (Esp) *felicitación*

commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) *n* pertaining to a commercially marketed product which is available for quick procurement normally without modification (Esp) *productos comerciales*

commissary store *n* (AmE) a facility normally located in a military installation, which has the function of providing subsistence and household supplies (Esp) *economato*

commission *n* certificate conferring military rank and authority to an officer and also the authority conferred (Esp) *(real) despacho o nombramiento de oficial*

comission *vt* [usually passive] to confer military rank and authority as an officer to somebody (Esp) *nombrar a alguien oficial, entregarle el despacho de oficial*. **to be commissioned** (Esp) *recibir el despacho de oficial*. **He was commissioned as a first lieutenant into the Infantry in 1990.** (Esp) *Recibió el despacho de teniente de infantería en 1990.*

commissioned officer *n* an officer in the armed forces (Esp) *oficial*. ► also **noncommissioned officer**

committed force *n* a force which is in contact with the enemy or engaged for a specific task which prevents its employment elsewhere (Esp) *fuerza comprometida*

communication *n* an information transfer according to agreed conventions (*Esp*) *comunicación*. ~ **system** an assembly of equipment, methods and procedures and, if necessary, personnel, organized to accomplish information transfer functions (*Esp*) *sistema de comunicación*. ~ **and information technology (CIT)** (*Esp*) *tecnologías de la información y comunicación (TIC)*

communications *n* the science and practice of the conveyance of information of any kind from one person or place to another except by direct unassisted conversation or correspondence (*Esp*) *comunicaciones*. ~ **and information systems (CIS)** (*Esp*) *sistemas de comunicaciones e información*. ~ **center (COMMCEEN)** A communications agency charged with the responsibility for receipt, transmission, and delivery of messages. It normally includes a message center, a cryptocenter, transmitting facilities, and receiving facilities. (*Esp*) *centro de transmisiones*. ~ **intelligence (COMINT)** intelligence and technical information derived from foreign communications by other than the intended recipients (*Esp*) *inteligencia de comunicaciones*. ~ **security (COMSEC)** the protection resulting from all measures designed to deny unauthorized persons information of value which might be derived from the possession and study of telecommunications, or to mislead unauthorized persons in their interpretation of the results of such possession and study (*Esp*) *seguridad de las comunicaciones*

compaction *n* the act of increasing soil bearing capacity by means of mechanical manipulation (using rollers and compactors), which results in the reduction of air voids in the soil and the modification of density and humidity (*Esp*) *compactación*

company (coy) *n* an army unit made up of 3 to 5 platoons, plus a headquarters (HQ). It is usually commanded by a captain or a major (*Esp*) *compañía*. **3rd Coy** (*Esp*) *3^a Cía*. [the-3rd Coy]

compass *n* an instrument containing a magnetized pointer which shows the direction of magnetic north and bearings from it (*Esp*) *brújula*

complement *n* the full authorised strength of personnel of a military unit or post (*Esp*) *plantilla de personal*

compose *vt* (a) to constitute. **to be composed of something** (*Esp*) *estar compuesto, componerse de algo*. **The brigade is composed of three battalions** (*Esp*) *La brigada se compone de tres batallones*. (b) to create music or poetry (*Esp*) *componer*. **This symphony was composed by Beethoven** (*Esp*) *Esta sinfonía la compuso Beethoven*.

composite armour *n* also **Chobham armour**. armour made of layers of different materials or a matrix of one material in which other materials are embedded (*Esp*) *blindaje compuesto*

compound *n* an open area with buildings, which is enclosed by a wall or fence (*Esp*) *recinto, complejo*

compressive strength *n* the ability to resist compression of a solid material, such as concrete or a clay soil (*Esp*) *resistencia a la compresión*

compulsory *adj* obligatory (*Esp*) *obligatorio*

COMPUSEC *abbr* ► **computer security**

computer network *n* a network of data processing nodes that are interconnected for the purpose of data communication (*Esp*) *red de ordenadores*

computer security (COMPUSEC) *n* also **cyber-security**, the application of hardware, firmware and software security features to a computer system and computer networks in order to protect against, or prevent, the unauthorized disclosure, manipulation, modification or deletion of information or denial of service, while still allowing the system to remain accessible and productive to its intended users (*Esp*) *seguridad informática, ciberseguridad*. ► also **cyber-**

COMSEC *abbr* ► **communications security**

concealment *n* not allowing to be seen, but still vulnerable to enemy fire (*Esp*) *ocultación*

concentration of effort *n* a more intense use of forces at a decisive time and place [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *concentración de esfuerzos*

concept of operations *n* a clear and concise statement of the line of action chosen by a commander in order to accomplish his or her mission (*Esp*) *concepto de la operación*

concertina wire *n* a type of barbed wire that is rolled out or unfolded (*Esp*) *alambrada rápida, concertina*

concrete *n* a building material which is made by mixing together **cement** powder, **sand**, small stones or **gravel**, and water, and which hardens in around 48 hours (*Esp*) *hormigón*. ~ **arch** (*Esp*) *arco de hormigón*. **reinforced** ~ (*Esp*) *hormigón armado*

conduct *vt* the way in which an activity is organized and carried out (*Esp*) *dirigir*. **The commander couldn't ~ the operation.** (*Esp*) *El jefe no pudo dirigir la operación*.

conductor *n* also **electrical** ~. A wire, cable, or other object capable of carrying electric current. Good conductors are made of metals such as silver, copper, and aluminum. (*Esp*) *conductor eléctrico*

conflict *n* a state between peace and **war** which, though similar in many ways to war, is distinguished from it by reliance on political methods to avoid escalation of organised violent acts (*Esp*) *conflicto*

connectivity *n* the ability of an entity to establish connections to other specified entities (*Esp*) *conectividad*

conscript *n* someone who has been forced to join the armed forces (*Esp*) *recluta*. ~ **army** (*Esp*) *ejército de reclutas*

conscript *v* to force someone to join the armed forces (*Esp*) *llamar a filas, reclutar*. **He was conscripted into the army.** (*Esp*) *Le llamaron a cumplir el servicio military*.

conscription *n* the practice of forcing people to join the armed forces (*Esp*) *servicio militar obligatorio*

consist *vi* **(a) ~ of** to be composed or made up of (*Esp*) *componerse de*. **A platoon consists of several sections** (*Esp*) *Una sección se compone de varios pelotones*. **(b) ~ in** to have as an essential feature (*Esp*) *consistir, basarse en*. **Honesty consists in telling the truth** (*Esp*) *la honestidad consiste/ se basa en decir la verdad*.

consumption rate *n* the average quantity of an item consumed or expended during a particular time interval, expressed in quantities by the most appropriate unit of measurement per applicable stated basis (*Esp*) *índice de consumo*

contact mine *n* a mine detonated by physical contact (*Esp*) *mina accionada por contacto*

contain *vt* **(a)** to have something as a part (*Esp*) *contener* **(b)** to stop, hold, or surround enemy forces or to cause the enemy to centre its activities on a given front and to prevent it from withdrawing any part of its forces for use elsewhere (*Esp*) *contener*

container *n* an object which can be used to hold or transport something; in logistics often referring to the large truck-sized type transported on ships (*Esp*) *contenedor*. ~ **ship** (*Esp*) *carguero*

contamination *n* **NBC** ~. the deposit and/or adsorption of radioactive material, or biological or chemical agents on and by structures, areas, personnel or objects (*Esp*) *contaminación NBC*

contingency *n* An emergency involving military forces caused by natural disasters, terrorists, subversives, or by required military operations. Due to the uncertainty of the situation, contingencies require plans, rapid response, and special procedures to ensure the safety and readiness of personnel, installations, and equipment. (*Esp*) *contingencia*. ~ **plan (COPLAN)** a plan used in accomplishing different missions and anticipated major events before, during, and after operations (*Esp*) *plan de contingencia*

contingent *n* **(a)** a group of people who all have the same aim or are from the same area, and are part of a larger group (*Esp*) *contingente*. **Has the US ~ arrived yet?** (*Esp*) *¿Ha llegado ya el contingente estadounidense?* **(b)** a group of soldiers who are sent to help a larger group (*Esp*) *contingente*. **A large ~ of field artillery was dispatched.** (*Esp*) *Se envió un gran contingente de artillería*.

contour flight *n* flight characterised by constant airspeed and varying altitude as dictated by vegetation, obstacles, and ambient light (*Esp*) *vuelo de contorno*

contour lines *n* [*count*] lines on a map joining points of equal height above or below sea level (*Esp*) *curvas de nivel*. **index** ~ (*Esp*) *curvas directoras*. **intermediate** ~ (*Esp*) *curvas de nivel intermedias*. **supplementary** ~ (*Esp*) *curvas de nivel complementarias*

control *n* authority exercised by a commander over part of the activities of subordinate organizations, or other organizations not normally under his or her command, which encompasses the responsibility for implementing orders or directives; all or part of this authority may be transferred or delegated (*Esp*) *control*

control measures *n* [count] the boundaries, objectives and other references which help commanders to designate responsibility, coordination of fire and movement control in operations (*Esp*) *medidas de control*

control point *n* a position along a route of march at which personnel are stationed to give information and instructions for the regulation of supply or traffic (*Esp*) *punto de control*

controlled route *n* a path that is subject to traffic or movement restrictions, which may be supervised (*Esp*) *ruta controlada*

converging *adj* coming together, joining (*Esp*) *convergente*

convoy *n* a group of vehicles organised for the purpose of control and orderly movement with or without escort protection (*Esp*) *convoy*. **supply** ~, also **combat logistics patrol (CLP)** (*Esp*) *convoy de abastecimiento*

coordinate scale *n* a tool for plotting grid coordinates by dividing the grid square which, when used correctly, is more accurate, and presents less chance for making errors, than when done by estimation (*Esp*) *coordinatógrafo*

coordinated *adj* working together harmoniously (*Esp*) *coordinado*. ~ **attack** (*Esp*) *ataque coordinado*

Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) *n* also **Universal Time**, although synonymous with **Greenwich Mean Time** in daily use, it is in fact a more accurate time system than GMT, based on International Atomic Time, and which uses a 24-hour clock format, so 3 p.m. GMT is 15:00 UTC (*Esp*) *tiempo universal coordinado*, **UTC** ► **zulu time** ► also **Greenwich Mean Time**

co-ordinating point *n* a pre-determined location at which adjacent units or formations must make contact for purposes of control and co-ordination (*Esp*) *punto de coordinación*

coordination *n* the organization of a complex body or activity so as to enable them to work together effectively. (*Esp*) *coordinación*. **This operation will require close ~.** (*Esp*) *Esta operación requerirá una estrecha coordinación*.

CoP *abbr* ► **Chief of Police**

COP *abbr* **combat outpost** (*Esp*) *puesto avanzado de combate*. ► also **combat**

cope with *vi* to accept an unpleasant situation or responsibility, or endure it. (*Esp*) *afrontar* (una situación, responsabilidad). **Western countries had to ~ serious terrorist attacks.** (*Esp*) *Los países occidentales tuvieron que afrontar importantes ataques terroristas*.

COPLAN *abbr* ► **contingency plan**

copper bore brush *n* a long rod with a metal brush on the end of it, which is used to clean a barrel (*Esp*) *baqueta*

cord *n* (a) an electricity cable for domestic voltage (*Esp*) *cable eléctrico* (b) string or thin rope (*Esp*) *cordón*, *cuerda* (c) also **detonation** ~, a thin flexible tube with an explosive core, used to link an **initiator** to a single explosive **device** or a chain of devices in a **daisy chain** (*Esp*) *cordón detonante*

cordite *n* the propellant charge used in tank guns (*Esp*) *cordita* [tipo de pólvora]

cordless *adj* operating without cables to supply power or transmit signals (*Esp*) *inalámbrico*. ~ **phone** (*Esp*) *teléfono inalámbrico*. ► also **wireless** ► also **hard-wired**

cordon off *vt* to set up a boundary around a guarded area with a line of soldiers, police, etc., to prevent access (*Esp*) *acordonar*

corp *abbr* **corporal**

corporal (Cpl) *n* enlisted rank in the Army and in the US Marine Corps below sergeant and above private first class or lance corporal (*Esp*) *cabo*. **lance** ~ enlisted rank in the British Army and in the US Marine Corps below corporal and above private or private first class. ► **APPENDIX A**

corps *n* /kɔ:ʔ/ (singular), /kɔ:ʔz/ (plural) [eəp] (a) a branch of an armed service assigned to a particular kind of work (*Esp*) *cuerpo*. **marine** ~ (*Esp*) *cuerpo de infantería de marina*. **medical** ~ (*Esp*) *cuerpo de sanidad militar*. **officer** ~ (*Esp*) *la oficialidad* (el conjunto de los

oficiales) **(b) army** ~ Army unit containing several divisions, the exact number depending upon its intended mission, plus smaller supporting units. A corps is usually commanded by a lieutenant general. (*Esp*) *cuero de ejército*

corpse *n* /kɔ:ps/ the body of a dead person (*Esp*) *cadáver*

corridor *n* compartment of terrain permitting the movement of a force (*Esp*) *corredor* **(b) also air** ~ an air lane assigned to aircraft (*Esp*) *pasillo aéreo*

COS *abbr* ► **Chief of Staff**

cost effective *adj* bringing the best possible profit or advantages for the lowest possible costs (*Esp*) *rentable, económico*. **Using the latest most expensive equipment may make the soldier better protected but it wouldn't be ~.**

COTS *abbr* ► **commercial off-the-shelf**

counterattack *n* attack by a part or by all of a defending force against an enemy attack force, for such specific purposes as regaining ground lost or cutting off or destroying enemy advance units, and with the general objective of denying to the enemy the attainment of his purpose in attacking. (*Esp*) *contraataque* **After the enemy attacked we started our ~.**

counter-battery *adj* (*Esp*) *contrabatería*. ~ **fire** *n* artillery attack on an enemy artillery fire position (*Esp*) *fuego de contrabatería*

counterclockwise *adv* (*AmE*) **anticlockwise** (*BrE*) turning in a curve in a direction opposite to the movement of the hands of a clock (*Esp*) *sinextrorsum, en sentido contrario a las agujas del reloj*

counterfire *n* fire intended to destroy neutralize or suppress enemy indirect fire systems (*Esp*) *fuego de contrabatería*

counterintelligence (CI) *n* information gathered and activities which are concerned with identifying and counteracting the threat to security from hostile intelligence services or organisations or individuals engaged in espionage, sabotage, subversion, assassinations or terrorism (*Esp*) *contrainteligencia, contrainteligencia*. ► **also intelligence**

countermeasures *n* an action taken to prevent another action from having a harmful effect, such as jamming enemy transmissions (*Esp*) *contramedidas*. ► **also electronic ~**

countermine operation *n* operation to reduce the delaying, disruptional, destructive and channelizing effects of mines and minefields by detection, clearance and neutralization, in order to maintain freedom of maneuver and to continue operations of friendly forces (*Esp*) *operaciones contramina*

countermobility *adj n* action taken to reduce the enemy's ability to move freely (*Esp*) *contra movilidad*

counter-surveillance *n* the systematic observation of friendly areas, places, persons or things by visual, aural, electronic, photographic, or other means, as a means of defense against suspected or known observation by enemy forces (*Esp*) *contravigilancia*

country *n* **(a)** nation (*Esp*) *país* **(b)** open terrain (*Esp*) *campo*. **to go across** ~ not keeping to roads (*Esp*) *campo a través*. **Their route was across ~, through fields of wheat.**

Country Code, The *n* (*BrE*) ten rules of courtesy to be observed when on public or privately owned land, which are: keep to the footpaths, safeguard water supplies, protect all wildlife, keep dogs under control, leave no litter, securely fasten all gates, guard against the risk of fire, use gates and stiles, go carefully on country roads, respect the people and life of the countryside (*Esp*) *código de buenas prácticas de la naturaleza*

coup d'état *n* [*plural coups d'état*] /ku:də'tɑ:/ [*singular and plural*] **also coup**. A sudden, often violent, illegal military uprising to overpower a legitimate government (*Esp*) *golpe de estado*. **to stage a ~** (*Esp*) *dar un golpe de estado*

coup de main *n* [*plural coups de main*] /k:udə'mɑ:/ [*singular and plural*] **also raid**. A sudden surprise attack (*Esp*) *golpe de mano*

courage *n* bravery; the opposite of **cowardice** (*Esp*) *valentía*

court-martial *n vt* trial in accordance with military law (*Esp*) *consejo de guerra, juzgar en consejo de guerra*

cover *n* **(a)** something which is put over an object, usually in order to protect it (*Esp*) *abrigo*. **Take ~!** (*Esp*) ¡Al abrigo! **(b)** a shelter from gunfire, bombs, or the weather (*Esp*) *cubierta*. ~ **from fire** (*Esp*) *cubierta contra el fuego*. **The engineers built a ~ to prevent the enemy troops**

from observing them. (Esp) *Los ingenieros construyeron una cubierta para evitar que el enemigo les observara.* (c) fire support for another person or unit (Esp) *cubierta*

cover *v* (a) to provide protection for other soldiers in a unit by using firepower (Esp) *cubrir*. **The engineers asked for a couple of heavy machinegunners to provide them ~ as they worked to build a bridge.** (b) to conceal or protect an object (Esp) *cubrir*

coveralls *n* [usu. plural] (AmE) also **cover-alls**. A full length protective outer garment, often zipped up at the front (Esp) *mono (de trabajo)*. ►also **overall**

covering fire *n* (a) fire used to protect troops when they are within range of enemy small arms (Esp) *fuego de cobertura* (b) in amphibious usage, fire delivered prior to the landing to cover preparatory operations such as underwater demolition or minesweeping (Esp) *fuego de protección*. ►also **cover**

covering force *n* (a) a force operating apart from the main force for the purpose of intercepting, engaging, delaying, disorganizing, and deceiving the enemy before he can attack the force covered (b) any body or detachment of troops which provides security for a larger force by observation, reconnaissance, attack, or defense, or by any combination of these methods (Esp) *fuerza de cobertura*. ~ **area (CFA)** The area forward of the forward edge of the battle area out to the forward positions initially assigned to the covering forces. It is here that covering forces execute assigned tasks. (Esp) *área de la fuerza de cobertura*

cowardice *n* the negative personality trait of being unwilling to face a degree of danger that is seen by others as righteous or justified (Esp) *cobardía*. ►also **courage**

coy *abbr* ►**company**

CP *abbr* check point (Esp) *control*

CPR *abbr* cardiopulmonary resuscitation (Esp) *reanimación cardiovascular*

CQB *abbr* ►**close-quarters battle**

crack *n* also **joint, fracture**. A line marking a continuous break in a solid mass of rock, concrete, glass, etc. (Esp) *grieta, fisura*

cracked *adj* damaged and showing lines on the surface from having split without coming apart (Esp) *rajado, agrietado*

crag *n* a very steep slope or cliff that is covered by large areas of solid rock (Esp) *risco*

craggy *adj* covered with crags (Esp) *escarpado*. ►**crag**

crash barrier *n* (BrE) **guard rail** (AmE) a protective metal fence at the side of a road (Esp) *valla protectora, quitamiedos [informal]*

crate *n* a large strong box for transporting things in, often made of wood or plastic (Esp) *caja, cajón*. **wooden** ~ (Esp) *caja de madera*

crater *n* a very large hole in the ground or in the surface of the moon, a planet, etc. caused by something hitting it or by an explosion (Esp) *cráter, embudo*. ~ **angle of slope** (Esp) *ángulo de pendiente de un embudo*. ~ **depth** (Esp) *profundidad del embudo*. ~ **spoil** (Esp) *detritus del cráter*

crater *vt* to make large holes with explosions (Esp) *hacer embudos*

cratering *n* the creation of large holes with explosions (Esp) *creación de embudos*. ~ **charge** a charge placed at an adequate depth to produce a crater (Esp) *carga de excavación*. ~ **obstacle** an obstacle consisting of a series of craters, created normally in a roadway using demolitions, which are difficult to span with existing armoured vehicle launched bridges (Esp) *obstáculos de embudos*

crawl *v* to move forwards in the **prone** position by pulling yourself forwards with the hands or arms, and/or pushing yourself forwards with your feet (Esp) *reptar*. **Crawling presents a lower target than creeping.** (Esp) *Reptando ofrece una silueta más baja que gateando.*

creek *n* (a) (AmE) a small stream or minor tributary of a river (Esp) *riachuelo, arroyo* (b) (BrE) a long narrow sea inlet on a coastline (Esp) *cala*

creep *v* [past+pp **crept**] to move quietly and slowly on hands and knees with the body close to the ground (Esp) *avanzar a gatas*. **Creeping is useful at night.** (Esp) *Gatear es útil por la noche*. ►also **crawl**

crest *n* the highest part of a hill or mountain (Esp) *cresta*. ►also **military** ~

CREW *abbr* counter **RCIED** electronic warfare (*Esp*) *contra guerra electrónica con aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto* ► **RCIED** ► also **electronic warfare**. ~ **device** a system to block remote-control initiator signals to activate an **IED** (*Esp*) *dispositivo contra guerra electrónica con aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto*

crew *n* a group of people working on a ship, plane or combat vehicle, or working together as a team, such as manning a howitzer (*Esp*) *tripulación*. **US tanks have a four-man ~; a gunner, a loader, a driver and a commander**. ~ **compartment** (*Esp*) *compartimento o cabina de la tripulación*

crime *n* an act or instance of negligence that is illegal (*Esp*) *crimen [serious crime], delito [minor offence]*. ► also **law**

criminal *n* a person who has broken the **law** by committing a **crime** (*Esp*) *criminal*. ~ **offence** (*Esp*) *delito*

criterion *n* [*plural criteria*] a principle or standard by which something may be judged or decide (*Esp*) *criterio*

critical *adj* (**a**) essential, crucial (*Esp*) *crítico*. ~ **asset** a civilian or military installation or resource that, if neutralised, would cause tremendous disruption and/or greatly weaken the enemy (*Esp*) *punto vital, instalación vital* (**b**) very serious (*Esp*) *crítico, muy grave*

critical frequency *n* the highest frequency at which a given wave at any given time will, if transmitted vertically, be refracted to earth by a layer of the ionosphere (*Esp*) *frecuencia crítica*

cross *vt* to move or travel to the other side of something, e.g. a road or a field (*Esp*) *cruzar*. ~ **waters** (*Esp*) *cruzar un curso de agua*. **He has crossed the Mediterranean Sea three times**.

cross loading *n* a system of loading troops and equipment so that they may be disembarked or dropped at two or more landing or drop zones, thereby achieving unit integrity upon delivery (*Esp*) *carga distribuida*

cross servicing *n* a subset of common-user logistics in which a function is performed by one military service in support of another, and for which repayment is required from the service receiving support (*Esp*) *apoyo logístico mutuo*

cross servicing *n* exchange of services between nations or agencies, normally as a result of a Memorandum of Agreement (*Esp*) *intercambio de apoyos, apoyo mutuo*

crossfire *n* also **interlocking fire**. Fire directed at an objective from two or more positions so that the lines of fire cross at or near the objective (*Esp*) *fuego cruzado*. **The beach is covered by enemy ~**. (*Esp*) *La playa está batida con fuego cruzado enemigo*.

crosshairs *n pl* also **reticle**. The fine lines in the eyepiece of an optical sight of small arms used for aiming, commonly in the simple form of plus sign (+) (*Esp*) *cruz filar en elementos de puntería*

crossing *n* a place where people or vehicles can cross safely (*Esp*) *cruce, paso*. ~ **of water obstacles** (*Esp*) *Paso de un curso de agua*. ~ **area / zone** A number of adjacent crossing sites under the control of one commander. (*Esp*) *zona / área de paso*. ~ **site** The location of a single bridge or rafting site, or in an initial assault a site for the crossing of assault boats or for the swimming or fording of vehicles on a broad front. (*Esp*) *punto de paso*. ~ **site commander** An officer in command of a crossing site, who is responsible for both the technical aspects of maintaining the crossing and the movement of troops and vehicles across it. (*Esp*) *Jefe del punto de paso*.

crowd *n* a large group of people (*Esp*) *multitud*

crushed rock *n* (*Esp*) *zahorra artificial (de machaqueo)*

cryptocenter *n* an establishment maintained for the encrypting and decrypting of messages (*Esp*) *centro cripto*

CS *abbr* ► **combat support**

CSS *abbr* ► **combat service support**

cultural practice *n* traditions and behaviour that is customary in a particular society (*Esp*) *práctica cultural, costumbres locales*

culture *n* the shared attitudes and values that characterize a particular society (*Esp*) *cultura*. **local** ~ (*Esp*) *cultura local*

culvert *n* a large diameter pipe or small tunnel to channel water away from, or under, a road embankment, railway line, etc. (*Esp*) *tajea, alcantarilla, zanja de drenaje [cuneta]*

cupola *n* /'kju:pəl/ (**a**) any domelike structure (*Esp*) *cúpula* (**b**) a dome on a tank turret that allows the commander to see in all directions (*Esp*) *cúpula*

curb *n* (*AmE*) **kerb** (*BrE*) a continuous line of rectangular stones or concrete blocks that mark the edge of a road (*Esp*) *bordillo*

curfew *n* a period of time established by a competent authority during which movement in stated areas is restricted (*Esp*) *toque de queda*

current *adj* belonging to the present time (*Esp*) *actual*

customs *n* [*plural*] the government agency and its staff that collect taxes on imports, and occasionally on exports, and inspects for prohibited or hazardous goods (*Esp*) *aduanas*

cut *n* (*AmE*) **cutting** (*BrE*) a passage excavated for a new road or railway, or a new channel made for a river or other waterway (*Esp*) *desmonte*

cutlery *n* also **eating irons** [*informal*] are tools for eating food which consist of a **knife**, a **fork** and a **spoon** (*Esp*) *cubiertos*

cutting *n* (*BrE*) **cut** (*AmE*) a passage excavated for a new road or railway, or a new channel made for a river or other waterway (*Esp*) *desmonte*

cutting charge *n* a charge which produces a cutting effect in line with its plane of symmetry (*Esp*) *carga de corte*

CWIED *abbr* **command wire improvised explosive device** (*Esp*) *artefacto explosivo improvisado con cable detonador* ► **command wire**

cyber- *prefix* meaning computer or computer network, esp. the Internet (*Esp*) *ciber*. ~**attack** (*Esp*) *ciberataque*. ~**crime** (*Esp*) *ciberdelito*. ~**peacekeeping** action taken with the consent of all major parties of a **cyberwar**, to monitor and facilitate implementation of an agreement to discontinue **cyberattacks**, and support diplomatic efforts to reach a long-term political settlement (*Esp*) *mantenimiento de la paz en el ciberespacio*. ~**security** ► **computer security** (**COMPUSEC**). ~**space** the environment in which communication over computer networks occurs, principally the Internet (*Esp*) *ciberespacio*. ~**terrorism** the calculated use of computers and computer networks to intimidate, generate chaos and instil fear in the pursuit of political, religious or ideological aims (*Esp*) *ciberterrorismo, terrorismo electrónico* ► also **terrorism**. ~**terrorist** someone who commits acts of **cyberterrorism** for political, religious or ideological aims (*Esp*) *ciberterrorista* ► also **terrorist**. ~**war** a situation of organised information warfare between nations, which is fought within **cyberspace** (*Esp*) *ciberguerra* ► also **war**. **military** ~**unit** (*Esp*) *ciberunidad militar*

cycle of operation *n* all the steps involved in firing a round of ammunition. There are eight in a rifle: feeding, chambering, locking, firing, unlocking, extracting, ejecting and cocking (*Esp*) *ciclo de operación, ciclo de disparos*

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daily intelligence summary (DISUM) a report prepared at a **joint force** headquarters that provides higher, lateral, and subordinate **headquarters** with a summary of all significant intelligence produced during the previous 24-hour period (*Esp*) *resumen diario de inteligencia*. ► also **intelligence**

daisy chain *n* two or more explosive devices wired together so that a signal will detonate all the munitions at the same time (*Esp*) *cadena de artefactos explosivos improvisados, cadena explosiva*. ► also **IED**

dam *n* a wall that is built across a river or stream in order to stop the flow of the water and make a **reservoir** behind it (*Esp*) *presa*

damage *n* physical harm that reduces the value of something or its ability to function (*Esp*) *daño*. ~ **assessment**, also **battle** ~ **assessment** (**BDA**), the determination of the effects of attacks on targets (*Esp*) *evaluación de daños (de combate)*. ~ **repair** the restoration or fixing of something that has been harmed or caused to not work properly (*Esp*) *reparación de daños*. ~ **report** (*Esp*) *informe de daños*

damming *n* (Esp) represa, diques, motas. ~ **up** (Esp) construcción de represa o mota

danger *n* also **hazard**. Something that can cause injury, illness, or death (Esp) peligro

dangerous *adj* **hazardous** (Esp) peligroso. ► **danger**

DAOR *abbr n* (BrE) **Discharge As Of Right**. a soldier's entitlement to leave the Armed Forces voluntarily during his or her initial period of Basic Training, which lasts some six weeks (Esp) la baja del ejército

data *n* facts and statistics collected together for reference or analysis (Esp) información, datos

date-time group (DTG) *n* the date and time in a standard abbreviated format, expressing the day of the month, the time, the time zone, the month, and the year (Esp) grupo fecha-hora 151700ZDEC08 (Esp) las 17 horas, zona zulu, el 15 de diciembre el 2008

dawn *n* the time of day when it starts to get light (Esp) amanecer. ~ **raid** (Esp) incursión o ataque de madrugada. ► also **dusk**

DBDU *abbr* desert battle dress uniform. The type of combat uniform used in arid regions (Esp) uniforme de instrucción para el desierto. ► **BDU**

DCA *abbr* ► **defense counter air**

dead *adj* (a) not alive (Esp) muerto (b) [comms] an electrical cable, signal cable or piece of electrical equipment that has been switched off, broken or disconnected from a network (Esp) desconectado, cortado (c) flat; lacking in stored electricity, such as a battery (Esp) descargado

dead man's switch *n* the button or switch that a **suicide bomber** activates to detonate his bomb (Esp) interruptor de hombre muerto

deadly force *n* the decisive action taken by police forces and the military to prevent further imminent danger to personnel or the community which may cause severe injury to or death of the aggressor, such as by the use of firearms, when lesser means have either failed or cannot be employed (Esp) fuerza letal

deadman *n* a log, rail or similar object that is buried in the ground and used to anchor a line or structure (Esp) cuerpo muerto, anclaje

deal with *v* [past+pp: dealt] to give attention to somebody or something, and often to solve a problem or make a decision concerning them (Esp) tratar a alguien, negociar con alguien. He wasn't able to ~ so many problems at the same time.

debarb *v* to leave a ship or aircraft (Esp) desembarcar. The marines debarked from the landing craft. (Esp) Los marines desembarcaron de la barcaza de desembarco.

debarkation *n* the unloading of troops, equipment, or supplies from a ship or aircraft (Esp) desembarco

debriefing *n* (a) a meeting to extract information, comments or recommendations concerning a previous assignment or experience. The after action report is a similar concept (Esp) juicio crítico, debriefing (b) a meeting in which instructions are given to personnel immediately after an operation regarding the safeguarding of sensitive information (Esp) instrucción sobre protección de información clasificada

debris *n* mass of pieces of bricks, metal, concrete, etc. which are left after something large such as a building or airplane, has been destroyed (Esp) escombros, restos. ~ **clearance** (Esp) retirada de escombros

deceive *vt* to make someone believe something that is not true (Esp) engañar

deception *n* action intended to mislead the enemy by manipulation, distortion, or falsification of the truth, to convince them to react in a manner that is prejudicial to their interests (Esp) engaño, decepción. ~ **measures** (Esp) medidas de engaño o decepción. **electronic** ~ deliberate radiation, re-radiation, alteration, absorption or reflection of electromagnetic energy, so as to mislead the enemy in the interpretation or use of information (Esp) engaño electrónico. **imitative electronic** ~ (Esp) imitación de emisiones enemigas para confundir al enemigo. **simulative electronic** ~ (Esp) simulación de propias emisiones para confundir al enemigo. **manipulative electronic** ~ (Esp) manipulación de propias emisiones para confundir al enemigo

decibel (dB) *n* The standard unit used to express transmission gain or loss and relative power levels. Also a unit used to measure and compare signal levels on a logarithmic scale. (Esp) decibelio

decisive *adj* anything that can strongly determine the result (*Esp*) *decisivo*. **This will be a ~ battle.** (*Esp*) *Esta batalla va a ser decisiva*.

declination *n* the angular deviation of a compass needle from true north (because the magnetic north pole and the geographic north pole do not coincide) (*Esp*) *declinación*

deconflict *v* to reconcile or resolve a conflict in responsibility, area of operations, airspace, or interests in order to accomplish smooth operations without undesired redundancy or threat of fratricide (*Esp*) *coordinar*

decoration *n* a medal or award conferred as an honour (*Esp*) *condecoración*

decoy *n* a real or **fake** person or thing that entices or attracts another person or thing, to trick them into danger or a trap (*Esp*) *señuelo*. **The white phosphorus flares were used as a ~ against infrared-seeking missiles.** ~ **car bomb** (*Esp*) *coche bomba de señuelo*

deep operation *n* action in enemy territory against forces not yet in contact, and designed to positively influence the conditions in which future **close operations** will be conducted, denying **freedom of action** and disrupting enemy **tempo** of operations (*Esp*) *operación en profundidad*. ► **also operation**

defeat *n* the experience of being beaten in a battle, game, or contest (*Esp*) *derrota*

defeat *vt* the act of losing a battle, campaign or war (*Esp*) *derrotar*. **The guerrilla force defeated the regular army.** (*Esp*) *La guerrilla derrotó al ejército regular*.

defence *n* *adj* (*BrE*) **defense** (*AmE*) the act of defending (*Esp*) *defensa* ► **defend.** ~ **area** *n* the area in which the decisive defensive battle is fought, which extends from the forward edge of the battle area to its rear boundary (*Esp*) *área de defensa*. ~ **in depth** *n* the setting of mutually supporting defensive positions designed to absorb and progressively weaken attack, to prevent initial observations of the whole position by the enemy, and to allow the commander to maneuver his or her reserve (*Esp*) *defensiva en profundidad*

defend *v* to defeat or deter a threat in order to provide the right circumstances for an offensive action. Depending on what size of formation/unit is being defended, this can include delay, hold, deny and attack. (*Esp*) *defender*

defense counter air (DCA) *n* an alternative term for **air defence** (*Esp*) *defensa antiaérea*.
► **also counter air operations**

defensive *adj* of that used to defend (*Esp*) *defensiva*. ~ **operations** these include **mobile defence** and **area defence** [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *operación defensiva*

defilade *n* *vt* protection of a position, vehicle or troops against enemy observation or gunfire (*Esp*) *desenfilada*. **hull** ~ **also hull down** *adj* *adv* only the tank turret is visible from the enemy position (*Esp*) *desenfilada de casco*. **turret** ~ no part of the tank is visible from the enemy position (*Esp*) *desenfilada de torre*

deflagration *n* instantaneous combustion of a substance, such as a **propellant charge** (*Esp*) *deflagración*

defuse *vt* to make an explosive device, such as a **mine**, safe by removing the fuse (*Esp*) *desactivar*. ~ **a bomb** (*Esp*) *desactivar una bomba*

degree *n* a unit of measurement of angles being an angle equal to the 90th part of a right angle or an arc equal to the 360th part of the circumference of a circle (*Esp*) *grado* (*sexagesimal*).
► **grad** ► **mil**

delay *n* a period of time by which something is late or postponed (*Esp*) *retardo, retraso*

delay *vi* make somebody or something late or slow (*Esp*) *retardar*

delaying operation *n* an operation planned to slow down an enemy advance (*Esp*) *operación de retardo*. ~ **force** (*Esp*) *fuerza de retardo*

deliberate attack *n* to defeat the enemy, with the emphasis on combat power at the expense of time (*Esp*) *ataque planeado*

deliberate breaching *n* the creation of a lane through a minefield or a clear route through a barrier or fortification, which is systematically planned and carried out (*Esp*) *apertura de brechas planeado*

deliberate crossing *n* the crossing of an inland water obstacle that requires extensive planning and detailed preparation (*Esp*) *paso de curso de agua planeado*

deliver *vt* bring and hand over something, such as a parcel, a letter, or ordered goods (*Esp*) *distribuir*. **Please! ~ the rations to B Company.** (*Esp*) *¡Por favor! Distribuye las raciones a la compañía B.*

demilitarized zone (DMZ) *n* (*AmE*) **demilitarised zone** (*BrE*) a clearly defined area that is established to neutralise areas of conflict from military occupation and activity, including concentration of forces and establishment of military facilities (*Esp*) *zona desmilitarizada*

demining *n* also **mine clearance**, the act of safe removal or controlled detonation of unexploded mines (*Esp*) *desminado, eliminación de minas*

demobilization *n* (*AmE*) **demobilisation** (*BrE*) the act of returning forces to a premobilization state (*Esp*) *desmovilización*

demolish *vt* to knock down or destroy something completely (*Esp*) *volar [explosivo]*

demolition *n* the destruction of structures, facilities or materiel by use of fire, water, explosives, mechanical, or other means (*Esp*) *voladura*. ~ **block** (*Esp*) *petardo*. ~ **chamber** space intentionally provided in a structure for the emplacement of explosive charges (*Esp*) *hornillo*. ~ **charge** (*Esp*) *carga explosiva*. ~ **firing party** the party at the site which is technically responsible for the demolition (*Esp*) *unidad / pelotón / equipo de voladura*. ~ **guard** A local force positioned to ensure that a target is not captured by an enemy before orders are given for its demolition and before the demolition has been successfully fired. The commander of the demolition guard is responsible for the operational command of all troops at the demolition site, including the demolition firing party. He is responsible for transmitting the order to fire to the demolition firing party. (*Esp*) *equipo / unidad de protección de una voladura*. ~ **obstacle** an obstacle created by using explosives (*Esp*) *obstáculo con explosivos*. ~ **plan** documentation with the data required for the preparation of a single demolition (*Esp*) *plan de voladura*

demonstrate *vi* to attract the enemy's attention without wanting to establish contact [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *manifestarse*. ► also **demonstration**

demonstration *n* an attack or show of force made with the aim of deceiving the enemy [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *demonstración*. ► also **demonstrate**

demoralize *vt* to lower the morale (*Esp*) *desmoralizar*. ► **morale**

denial measure *n* An action to hinder or deny the enemy the use of space, resources, personnel or facilities. It may include partial destruction, removal, pollution or erection of obstructions (*Esp*) *medidas de prohibición*.

denim *n adj* [*uncount*] a hard-wearing cotton twill fabric, typically blue, used for jeans, overalls, and other clothing (*Esp*) *tela de pantalón vaquero*, **denim (a) denims** [*plural*] jeans, denim jacket, etc. (*Esp*) *prendas confeccionadas con tejido de pantalón vaquero (b) denims* [*plural*], **fatigue order** (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *mono (de trabajo)*

dent *n* a slight hollow in a hard even surface, such as a metal plate, made by a hitting it or the exertion of pressure (*Esp*) *abolladura*

departure *n* the act of leaving, on a journey towards a **destination** (*Esp*) *salida, partida*. ~ **time** (*Esp*) *hora de salida*. ► also **ETD**

departure airfield *n* an airfield on which troops and/or materiel are enplaned for flight (*Esp*) *aeródromo de partida*

depleted uranium *n* a metal of high density and toughness used for armor piercing projectiles (*Esp*) *uranio empobrecido*

deploy *vt* to spread land forces out in order to form a wider front of narrow depth, or to bring military hardware into use (*Esp*) *desplegar*

deployable *adj* ready to be deployed (*Esp*) *listo para desplegar*

deployment *n* **(a)** The movement of forces within areas of operations **(b)** The positioning of forces into a formation for battle **(c)** The relocation of forces and materiel to desired areas of operations **(d)** Those activities required to prepare and move a force and its sustainment equipment and supplies to the area of operations in response to a crisis or natural disaster (*Esp*) *despliegue*

depot *n* a place for the storage of large quantities of equipment, food or some other commodity (*Esp*) *almacén* **The ~ for the Third Army had large petrol tanks which held millions of gallons of fuel.** ~ **maintenance-repair** the maintenance-repair work done beyond the

capabilities of the general support maintenance. It is the last echelon in the maintenance organization (*Esp*) *correspondería al 4º ó 5º escalón de mantenimiento (mantenimiento industrial)*. ~ **support** (*Esp*) *apoyo de parque*

depression *n* a sunken place or hollow on a surface (*Esp*) *depresión, hondonada*. **The original shallow depressions were only converted to creeks.**

deputy *n* the second highest person in the chain of command (*Esp*) *segundo jefe*

descend *vt* move down (a slope or stairs) (*Esp*) *descender*. **A side road descended into the forest.**

desert *n* a large expanse of sterile land with extremely low annual rainfall (*Esp*) *desierto*. ~ **battle dress uniform (DBDU)** the type of combat uniform used in arid regions (*Esp*) *uniforme de instrucción para el desierto*. **semi-** (*Esp*) *semidesierto*

design *vt* to decide upon the look and functioning of something (*Esp*) *diseñar*

designated *adj* that which is indicated or named (*Esp*) *designado, estipulado*. ~ **location** (*Esp*) *ubicación designada*

despatcher *n* ► **jumpmaster**

destination *n* [destiny] the place to which someone or something is going or being sent (*Esp*) *destino*. **Spain is a popular ~ for German tourists.**

destroy *vt* to cause sufficient damage to make something totally inoperable, destruct (*Esp*) *destruir*. ► also **demolish**

destruction *n* The destruction of structures, facilities or materiel by use of fire, water, explosives, mechanical, or other means (*Esp*) *voladura*. ~ **chamber** Space intentionally provided in a structure for the emplacement of explosive charges (*Esp*) *hornillo*. ~ **charge** (*Esp*) *carga explosiva*. ~ **firing party** The party at the site which is technically responsible for the demolition (*Esp*) *unidad / pelotón / equipo de voladura*. ~ **guard** A local force positioned to ensure that a target is not captured by an enemy before orders are given for its demolition and before the demolition has been successfully fired. The commander of the demolition guard is responsible for the operational command of all troops at the demolition site, including the demolition firing party. He is responsible for transmitting the order to fire to the demolition firing party. (*Esp*) *equipo / unidad de protección de una voladura*. ~ **obstacle** An obstacle created by using explosives (*Esp*) *obstáculo con explosivos*. ~ **plan** documentation with the data required for the preparation of a single demolition (*Esp*) *plan de voladura*

det cord *abbr* ► **detonation cord** (*Esp*) *cordón detonante*

detachment *n* **(a)** the dispatch of a temporary military unit, such as troops or ships, from a larger body for a special duty or mission (*Esp*) *destacamento* **(b)** the dispatched aforementioned unit (*Esp*) *destacamento* **(c)** a permanent unit, usually smaller than a platoon, organized for special duties (*Esp*) *destacamento*

detain *vt* to take someone into custody, to **arrest** (*Esp*) *detener, arrestar*

detainee *n* someone who is captured or **under arrest**, having no freedom of movement (*Esp*) *detenido, preso*. ► also **prisoner**

deterrence *n* [uncount] the action of discouragement or prevention by fear of the consequences (*Esp*) *disuasión*. ► also **deterrent**

deterrent *n* something that discourages somebody from doing something through fear or dislike of the consequences (*Esp*) *disuasivo*. **nuclear** ~ (*Esp*) *disuasivo nuclear*

detonation *n* the activation of an **explosive** producing an explosion (*Esp*) *detonación*. ~ **cord** a thin flexible tube with an explosive core, used to link an **initiator** to a single explosive **device** or a chain of devices in a **daisy chain** (*Esp*) *cordón detonante*. **command** ~ (*Esp*) *detonación por mando a distancia* ► also **command detonated mine**. **electronic** ~ (*Esp*) *detonación electrónica*. **pressure** ~ (*Esp*) *detonación por presión*. **remote** ~ (*Esp*) *detonación remota*. **radio-frequency** ~ (*Esp*) *detonación por radiofrecuencia*

detonator *n* an device that activates an **explosive** (*Esp*) *detonador*. **electronic** ~ (*Esp*) *detonador eléctrico*

develop *vt* grow or cause to grow and become more mature, advanced or elaborate (*Esp*) *desarrollar, elaborar*. **If the maneuver had been developed properly, the accident**

wouldn't have taken place. (Esp) *Si la maniobra se hubiera desarrollado adecuadamente, no se hubiera producido el accidente.*

device *n* a piece of equipment made for a particular purpose or to perform a special function (Esp) *dispositivo, artefacto, aparato*. **Modern household devices such as the refrigerator have made life easier.** ► also **IED**

diagram *n* a schematic representation. A simplified drawing showing the structure, appearance or workings of something (Esp) *diagrama*. **organisation** ~, **organizational** ~ (Esp) *organigrama*

diesel *n* /'di:zəl/ any type of fuel used in a diesel internal combustion engine (Esp) *diesel, gasóleo*

dig in *vi* when soldiers dig in or dig themselves in, they make foxholes and trenches to prepare themselves for an attack by the enemy (Esp) *excavar*

digger *n* [ɪnfm] also **excavator**. A large machine used for making holes in the ground (Esp) *excavadora*

digging tool *n* light-weight tool (such as a pickaxe or shovel) carried by infantrymen in order to dig trenches. ► also **personal entrenching tool** (Esp) *útil de mango corto*

digital camouflage *n* The new camouflage pattern to be worn by the US Army. It consists of random small squares in different colours according to the terrain, and replaces the pattern of larger coloured patches. (Esp) *camuflaje digital*. ► **ACU**

digital fixed frequency (DFF) *adj n* the modern radio communications system, which uses digital (binary or other) technology on one frequency (Esp) *frecuencia fija digital*

diplomatic mission *n* (Esp) *misión diplomática* ► **embassy**

dipole antenna *n* An antenna having an electrical length equal to a half wavelength at the frequency for which it is designed. It may be a single conductor (rarely); but it generally consists of two elements, whose total length is one-half wavelength, separated by an insulator or an air space at the point of connection to the transmission line from the transmitter. (Esp) *antena dipolo*

direct fire *n* fire directed at a target which is visible to the aimer (Esp) *fuego directo, tiro directo*

direct hit *n* when a projectile impacts on its target, usually causing maximum damage (Esp) *impacto directo*

direct support *n* ► **support**. ► also **direct support artillery**

direct support artillery *n* artillery whose primary task is to provide fire requested by the supported unit (Esp) *artillería en apoyo directo*

direction *n* the straight line which must be followed in order to reach a destination, or the angle in which something faces (Esp) *dirección*. **The village is over there in a northerly ~.** ~ **finding (DF)** the process of determining the bearing of an electromagnetic emission (Esp) *radiogoniometría, radiolocalización*. ~ **of attack (ground forces)** a specific direction or route that the main attack or centre of mass of the unit will follow (Esp) *dirección de ataque*

directional antenna *n* an antenna designed to transmit and receive RF energy in a specific direction (Esp) *antena direccional*

directional mine *n* (Esp) *mina direccional*

directive *n* (a) a military communication in which policy is established or a specific action is ordered (Esp) *directiva* (b) a plan issued with a view to putting it into effect when so directed, or in the event that a stated contingency arises (Esp) *directiva* (c) any communication which initiates or governs action, conduct or procedure (Esp) *directiva*

dirt *n* the earth on the ground, especially when it is muddy or dusty (Esp) *tierra*. ~ **road** (Esp) *pista, carretera no asfaltada*. ~ **track** (Esp) *pista, camino*

dirty bomb *n* Technically known as a **radiological dispersal device (RDD)**. An improvised small bomb containing radioactive material which, when activated, throws up harmful radioactive dust, thereby producing long-lasting low-level contamination of the surrounding area (Esp) *bomba sucia, bomba radioactiva*

disarm (a mine) *vt* to reverse the arming procedure of a mine rendering the mine inoperative so it is safe to handle and transport and can be rearmed by simple actions (Esp) *desarmar (una mina)*

disassemble vt also **strip**. to take apart (Esp) *desmontar*. ~ **the rifle and clean it.** (Esp) *Desmonta el fusil y límpialo.*

disband vt to withdraw a unit from active duty by official order (Esp) *dar de baja a una unidad*

discharge vt military personnel whose service will be terminated other than through death, change of status or end of commitment time (Esp) *baja anticipada*. ~ **without honor** (Esp) *expulsión de las fuerzas armadas*

disciplinary action n all authorized measures, including court-martial and arrest, taken to punish acts of misconduct under the standing laws and regulations (Esp) *medidas disciplinarias*

disembark v to get off a ship or aircraft onto land (Esp) *desembarcar*

disengage v to release from an engagement (Esp) *romper el combate*. **After exchanging fire with the enemy for twenty minutes we disengaged and went to another position.**
▶ also **engage**

disengagement n a process by which troops gradually stop being involved in a battle or fight (Esp) *rompimiento de combate*

dismiss vt to order or allow someone to leave (Esp) *despedir, autorizar a alguien a retirarse* **(You are) dismissed.** (Esp) *Puede retirarse. Dismiss!* (Esp) *¡Rompan filas!*

dismissal n release of an officer or cadet from the service without honor, normally upon a sentence by a court-martial (Esp) *expulsión*

dismount vi [frm] to get out of a vehicle or get off an animal, like a horse (Esp) *desmontar, descabalar*. **Tell the troops to ~ and fall in for inspection.**

dismounted infantry n infantry fighting on foot (Esp) *infantería a pie*

dispatch vt [frm] to send someone or something somewhere for a particular purpose. **to be dispatched to** (Esp) *despachar, enviar*

dispersion n **(a)** a scattered pattern of hits around the mean point of impact of bombs and projectiles dropped or fired under identical conditions (Esp) *dispersión* **(b)** in anti-aircraft gunnery, the scattering of shots in range and deflection about the mean point of explosion (Esp) *dispersión* **(c)** the spreading or separation of troops, materiel, or activities which are usually concentrated in limited areas to reduce vulnerability (Esp) *dispersión* **(d)** in chemical and biological operations, the dissemination of agents in liquid or aerosol form (Esp) *dispersión* **(e)** in airdrop operations, the scatter of personnel and/or cargo on the drop zones (Esp) *dispersión* **(f)** in naval control of shipping, the berthing of a ship in the periphery of the port area or in the vicinity of the port for its own protection in order to minimize the risk of damage from attack (Esp) *dispersión*

dispersion n **(a)** a scattered pattern of hits around the mean point of impact of bombs or projectiles dropped or fired in identical conditions (Esp) *dispersión sobre el blanco* **(b)** the spreading or separating of troops, materiel, establishments, or activities, which are usually concentrated in limited areas to reduce vulnerability (Esp) *separación* **(c)** the distribution of chemical or biological agents in liquid or aerosol form (Esp) *dispersión* **(d)** in airdrop operations, the scatter of personnel and/or cargo on the drop zone (Esp) *distribución*

displaced person n a civilian that is involuntarily outside his or her home country due to armed conflict, natural disaster, etc. (Esp) *desplazado*

disposition n distribution of the elements of a command within an area, usually the exact location of each unit headquarters and the deployment of the forces subordinate to it (Esp) *disposición*

disrupt vt to disturb, disorganize or interrupt (Esp) *perturbar, desorganizar, trastornar interrumpir*

distance n an amount of space between two things or people (Esp) *distancia*. **There is a long ~ between where we are now and our destination.**

distort vt pull or twist out of shape (Esp) *deformar, retorcer*

distortion n the amount by which the output waveform differs from the input waveform, which may be in terms of amplitude, frequency, or phase (Esp) *distorsión*

distract vt when something, such as a loud noise or other people talking, prevents somebody from concentrating (Esp) *distraer*. **The noise from the construction crew working outside the classroom distracted the students.**

distress call *n* a radio message requesting urgent help, often when lives are in danger (*Esp*) *llamada de socorro*. ►also **mayday**

distress signal *n* a request for urgent help, often when lives are in danger, using any means available to the person or people requiring assistance, such as a **flare**, a **beacon**, or a radio message (*Esp*) *señal de socorro*

DISUM *abbr* ► **daily intelligence summary**

disused *adj* not in use any more, obsolete (*Esp*) *en desuso, abandonado*

ditch *n* a long narrow channel dug in the ground, typically used for drainage alongside a road or the edge of a field (*Esp*) *zanja, cuneta, trinchera*

dive *n vi* of an aeroplane or submarine, to plunge deeply downwards (*Esp*) *bajar en picado*. **to go into a ~** (*Esp*) *lanzarse en picado*. ~ **bombing** (*Esp*) *bombardeo en picado*

diversion *n* (a) the act of drawing the attention and forces of an enemy from the point of the principal operation; an attack, alarm, or **feint** which diverts attention (*Esp*) *distracción, diversión*. ►also **demonstration**. (b) a change made in a prescribed route for operational or tactical reasons (*Esp*) *desvío* (c) In naval mine warfare, a route or channel by-passing a dangerous area. A diversion may connect one channel to another or it may branch from a channel and rejoin it on the other side of the danger (*Esp*) *desvío* (d) in air traffic control, the act of proceeding to an airfield other than the one at which a landing was intended (*Esp*) *desvío*

diversionary attack *n* a type of attack in which a force attacks or threatens to attack a target other than the main target for the purpose of drawing enemy defences away from the main effort (*Esp*) *ataque de diversión*

divide into *vt* separate or be separated into parts (*Esp*) *dividir en*. **Brigades are divided into battalions.** (*Esp*) *Las brigadas se dividen en batallones*.

division (div) *n* army unit consisting of a number of brigades or regiments (usually three), plus smaller supporting units (battalions or companies). It is usually commanded by a major general (*Esp*) *división*

dizzy *adj* having a sensation of light-headedness or spinning, often with difficulty to stand, which is most commonly caused by falling blood pressure in the brain (*Esp*) *mareado*

DMZ *abbr* ► **demilitarized zone**

DOB *abbr* date of birth (*Esp*) *fecha de nacimiento*

doctrinal *adj* derivative from doctrine (*Esp*) *doctrinal*

doctrine *n* the fundamental principles supporting military action, which are authoritative but always require judgement to be correctly applied (*Esp*) *doctrina*

DOD *abbr* (*AmE*) Department Of Defense (*Esp*) *Ministerio de Defensa*

dog tag *n* (*AmE*) the identification metal plate worn around the neck by soldiers in campaign or exercises showing name, ID number and blood type (*Esp*) *chapa de identificación*

DOR *abbr n vi* (*AmE*) drop on request. To apply a recruit's right to voluntarily leave the Armed Forces during his or her initial Basic Combat Training [*Army*] or Basic Military Training [*in other forces*] (*Esp*) *pedir la baja del ejército* ►also **DAOR** (*BrE*)

dormant mine *n* in mine warfare, the state of a mine during which a time delay feature in the mine prevents it from being actuated (*Esp*) *mina durmiente, mina de fondo*

dormitory *n* a large room, typically long, lined with beds and **lockers**, shared by many people, such as military personnel or pupils in a boarding school (*Esp*) *dormitorio compartido*

DOS *abbr* day of supply, meaning the standardised quantity of supplies needed by a unit to perform a particular task (*Esp*) *día de abastecimiento*

downrange *adv* in a shooting range, the direction towards the targets (*Esp*) *hacia el blanco*

downstream (a) *adj* situated in the direction in which a stream or river flows (*Esp*) *rio abajo, aguas abajo*. **Deforestation could have disastrous consequences for ~ regions.** (b) *adv* moving in the direction in which a stream or river flows (*Esp*) *rio abajo, aguas abajo*. **The bridge spanned the river just ~ of the rail line.**

downtime *n* the time troops spend relaxing and between operations whilst on a tour of duty (*Esp*) *periodo de descanso entre misiones*. ~ **management** (*Esp*) *gestión del periodo de descanso entre misiones*

dozer *n* also **bulldozer** (*Esp*) *empujadora, buldócer*

draw *n* a small natural drainage way with a shallow bed (*Esp*) *vaguada*

draw *vt* [*past: drew, pp: drawn*] to extract from a place. **You have to ~ your combat rations from the store.** (*Esp*) *sacar*

draw away *v* to move ahead of competitors or move away from something (*Esp*) *alejarse de algo*
Toward the end of the race Smith ran even faster and drew away from the other runners.

dress *n* denoting military uniform or other clothing used in combat training, on a daily basis, on formal occasions, etc. **The ~ for the exercise will be the fighting order. ~ uniform** a uniform authorized for wear on formal duty, at social, ceremonial and official occasions. In the US Army, this term includes the Army green dress uniform (enlisted only), the Army blue, and the Army white uniforms (*Esp*) *uniforme de gala, uniforme de gala en formación, uniforme de diario en formación*. ► **barrack dress** ► **service dress** ► **Army green service uniform** ► **number 2 dress** ► **blues** ► **number 1 dress** ► **Army blue/white uniform** ► also APPENDIX B

dress *v* (**a**) to put clothes on (*Esp*) *vestirse* (**b**) to form a straight line in parade formation (*Esp*) *orden de línea*. ~ **left/right** command when standing in drill formation to check the distance to the next person (*Esp*) *alinearse por la izquierda/derecha*

drill *n* training in military exercises (*Esp*) *instrucción, instrucción de orden cerrado*. ~ **ammunition** also **blank ammunition** (*Esp*) *munición de fogeo*. ~ **call** also **bugle call** (*Esp*) *toque de llamada a instrucción*. ~ **command** an order for a particular movement in a drill (*Esp*) *voz de mando*. ~ **sergeant** (*AmE*) (*Esp*) *sargento instructor*

drill *v* (**a**) *vt* to train someone in military skill and discipline (*Esp*) *instruir*. **The sergeant was drilling new recruits.** (*Esp*) *El sargento estaba instruyendo a los soldados nuevos*. (**b**) *vi* to take part in military exercises (*Esp*) *hacer instrucción*. **The troops were drilling.** (*Esp*) *La tropa estaba haciendo instrucción*.

drill mine *n* an inert-filled mine, or mine-like body, used in loading, laying or discharge practice and trials (*Esp*) *mina de instrucción*

drill sergeant *n* a non-commissioned officer who trains soldiers in military parade exercises (*Esp*) *sargento instructor* (*AmE*) ~ **hat** (*Esp*) *tipo de sombrero usado por los sargentos instructores en el ejército de los EEUU, similar al usado por los guardias de los parques y monumentos nacionales en EEUU*.

drinking water *n* also **potable water** [*frml*] water that is clean and pure enough for human consumption (*Esp*) *agua potable*

drive sprocket *n* a toothed wheel which transmits the engine's power to the track, via the **driveshaft** [*tanks*] (*Esp*) *rueda motriz, rueda propulsora*. ► also **axle** ► APPENDIX D

drive-by shooting *n* [*count*] a shooting carried out from a passing vehicle (*Esp*) *tiroteo desde un vehículo en marcha*

driver (**dvr**) *n* the driver is the crewman who is responsible for steering the tank, IFV, APC, etc. across the terrain (*Esp*) *conductor*

driveshaft *n* a long metal bar that connects the engine of a vehicle to the wheels, via the **axle** (*Esp*) *árbol de transmisión*

driving compartment *n* the space where the **driver** sits, and sometimes, as in the case of a truck, the passenger too (*Esp*) *puesto del conductor*

drone *n* an **unmanned or unpiloted aerial vehicle (UAV)** that comes in two varieties, either controlled from a remote location or able to fly autonomously based on pre-programmed flight plans using more complex dynamic automation systems. Currently, UAVs perform **reconnaissance** as well as attack missions (*Esp*) *vehículo aéreo no tripulado (VANT)*

drop *n* (**a**) an individual or mass parachute jump or delivery of supply using parachute, from an aircraft in flight (*Esp*) *salto paracaidista, lanzamiento* (**b**) in adjusting fire, the term used to indicate a reduction in distance (*Esp*) *acortar el tiro [opuesto a add alargar el tiro]* **to zero-in the target we had to ~ 300.** ► also **adjust fire**

drop zone (**DZ**) *n* a specific area upon which airborne troops, equipment, or supplies are airdropped (*Esp*) *zona de lanzamiento*

dry run *n* one complete simulated practice of a planned assault, manoeuvre or other task in order to identify and resolve any potential problems (*Esp*) *prueba en vacío, simulacro, prueba*. ► also **dry-fire**

dry-fire *n adj* a technique used to simulate the firing of a live round with an empty weapon, either during **basic training** or during a **dry run** of a planned manoeuvre (*Esp*) *instrucción de tiro sin fuego real*

DTG *abbr* ► **date time group**

dual firing system *n* an assembly comprising two independent firing systems, both electric or both non-electric, so that the firing of either system will detonate all charges (*Esp*) *sistema de encendido doble*

dud *n* also **unexploded ordnance (UXO)**, an explosive munition which has not been armed as intended or which has failed to explode after being armed (*Esp*) *munición no explosionada, munición fallida*

duffle bag *n* also **duffel bag** (*AmE*) also **seabag**. A large standard issue bag with a drawstring that has been widely used by service members since before WW2 to carry all their personal kit (*Esp*) *bolso marino*

dugout *n* a shelter made by digging a hole in the ground and then covering it or tunnelling so that the shelter has a roof over it (*Esp*) *refugio bajo tierra*

dummy *adj* false, but made to appear authentic, either for realistic training or **deception** (*Esp*) *de instrucción, falso* ~ **grenade** (*Esp*) *granada de instrucción*. ~ **run** (*BrE*) also **trial run**. a full scale practice of an operation (*Esp*) *simulacro, ensayo*

dump *n* a temporary storage area, usually in the open, for bombs, ammunition, equipment, or supplies (*Esp*) *depósito*

duplex operation communications between two points, in both directions simultaneously (*Esp*) *dúplex*

dusk *n* the period from when the sun goes down (sunset) until just before it gets dark (*Esp*) *anocheecer*

dust *n* very fine particles, which are small enough to be blown around by air currents (*Esp*) *polvo*. ~ **storm** (*Esp*) *tormenta de polvo*

duty *n* (**a**) a task that someone is required to perform as part of his or her job (*Esp*) *servicio, guardia*. ~ **officer** (*Esp*) *oficial de servicio o de guardia*. ~ **roster** a list of personnel of a unit showing the duties each one has performed, or is supposed to perform (*Esp*) *cuadrante de servicios*. **active** ~ (*Esp*) *servicio activo*. **to be off** ~ (*Esp*) *no estar de servicio, no estar de guardia, saliente*. **to be on** ~ (*Esp*) *estar de servicio o de guardia*. **to go on** ~ (*Esp*) *entrar de servicio*. **guard** ~ (*Esp*) *(servicio de) guardia* (**b**) moral or legal obligation; a responsibility (*Esp*) *deber, obligación*. **a strong sense of** ~ (*Esp*) *un gran sentido del deber*. **in pursuance of** ~ (*Esp*) *en cumplimiento del deber* (**c**) tax (*Esp*) *arancel, impuesto (a la importación)*

duty roster *n* (*Esp*) *cuadrante de servicios*

DZ *abbr* ► **drop zone**

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early warning *n* early notification of the launch or approach of unknown weapons, or weapon carriers (*Esp*) *alerta temprana*

earth parapet *n* a low wall of soil, typically alongside a trench, which is built to protect soldiers from enemy fire (*Esp*) *parapeto de tierra*

earthmover *n* a type of construction vehicle with a front blade for moving earth (*Esp*) *máquina para movimiento de tierras*

earth-moving equipment *n* tools and equipment for moving earth (*Esp*) *maquinaria para movimiento de tierras*

earthworks *n* large mounds of earth that have been built for defense (*Esp*) *trabajos de movimiento de tierras*

ease *n* ► **at ease**

eastbound *adj* moving or leading towards the east. **an ~ convoy** (Esp) *un convoy en dirección este*.

easterly *adj adv* in a eastward position or direction. **They set off in an ~ direction.** (Esp) *Partieron en dirección este*.

eastern *adj* relating to the east (Esp) *oriental*. **The ~ part of the country** (Esp) *la parte oriental (o este) del país*

easternmost *adj* furthest east. **The ~ point** (Esp) *el punto más oriental o más al este*.

easting *n* one of the coordinates running from left to right across a map (Esp) *la coordenada X o abscisa en un mapa*.

eastward *adj* towards the east. **An ~ direction.** (Esp) *dirección este*

eastward(s) *adv* US towards the east. **The army is moving ~.** (Esp) *El ejército se dirige hacia el este*.

eating irons *n [plural] [infml]* (BrE) colloquial term for a knife, fork and spoon (Esp) *cubiertos*

eavesdropping *n* secretly listening to other people's conversations [communications] (Esp) *escucha, radioescucha*

ECBA *n* (BrE) Enhanced Combat Body Armour, which consists of small plates on the front and back, but no collar protection (Esp) *versión mejorada del chaleco antifragmentos* ►also **body armour**

ECCM *abbr* ►**electronic counter countermeasures**

echelon *n* (a) also ~ **formation**. A tactical formation in which troops, vehicles or aircraft are deployed in a series of parallel lines, each of which is longer than the one in front (Esp) *formación escalonada* (b) a sub-division of a unit (Esp) *escalón*. **forward ~, rear ~** a subdivision of a headquarters. **higher ~, lower ~** separate levels of command, such as in a regiment where a division is higher and a battalion is lower (c) a fraction of a command in the direction of depth, to which a principal combat mission is assigned (Esp) *escalón*. **assault ~** (Esp) *escalón de asalto*. **attack ~** (Esp) *escalón de ataque*. **reserve ~** (Esp) *escalón de reserva*. **support ~** (Esp) *escalón de apoyo*

ECM *abbr* ►**electronic countermeasures**

economic *adj* related to economy (Esp) *económico*. **The ~ situation of the country is incredible!** (Esp) *¡La situación económica del país es increíble!*

economical *adj* giving good value or service in relation to the amount of money, time, or effort spent (Esp) *económico, de buen precio (ahorro de dinero)*. **This product is ~.** (Esp) *este producto es de buen precio*.

economics *n* the study of the way in which money, industry, and trade are organized in a society (Esp) *economía (asignatura)*. ~ **is a basic subject for the Quartermaster Corps.**

economize *vi* **economise** (BrE) to spend less money (Esp) *economizar, ahorrar*. **He economized on fuel.** (Esp) *Ahorró en combustible*.

economy *n* the system according to which the money, industry, and trade of a country or region are organized (Esp) *economía*. **The Spanish ~ grew at an annual rate of 3 per cent.** (Esp) *La economía española tuvo una tasa de crecimiento anual de un 3 por ciento*.

economy of force *n* the appropriate use of resources to ensure the success of a mission [doctrine] (Esp) *economía de medios*

effectiveness *n* derivative from effective (Esp) *efectividad, eficacia*. **The ~ of the operation depends on the means.** (Esp) *La eficacia de la operación depende de los medios*.

efficiency *n* the state or quality of being efficient (Esp) *eficiencia, rendimiento*

EFP *abbr* **explosively-formed penetrator**, also explosively-formed projectile. A warhead or explosive device that has a shaped charge with a concave plate liner to penetrate armour effectively from a distance. The blast can be made to form a number of different configurations, depending on how the plate is formed and how the explosive is detonated (Esp) *penetradores explosivos*

ejection *n* (a) the step in the cycle of operation of a light gun in which the expended cartridge case is expended from the weapon out of the ejection port (Esp) *expulsión*. ~ **port** (Esp) *ventana de expulsión* (b) the act of expelling a pilot from a plane's cockpit in an emergency (Esp) *eyección*

ejector lever *n* a mechanical device for expending the empty cartridge case from the weapon through the ejection port (*Esp*) *expulsor o palanca expulsora*

EKIA *abbr* **enemy killed in action** (*Esp*) *enemigo muerto en combate*. ► also **killed in action**

electrical conductor *n* a wire, cable, or other object capable of carrying electric current. Good conductors are made of metals such as silver, copper, and aluminum (*Esp*) *conductor eléctrico*

electromagnetic pulse (EMP) *n* very strong electrical and magnetic currents and fields created, for example, after a nuclear explosion, which can destroy radio sets, computers and most other electrical equipment (*Esp*) *pulso electromagnético*. ~ **rate** (*Esp*) *velocidad de pulso electromagnético*

electromagnetic spectrum *n* The frequencies present in a given electromagnetic radiation. A particular spectrum could include a single frequency or a wide range of frequencies. (*Esp*) *espectro electromagnético*

electromagnetic wave *n* a wave propagating as a periodic disturbance of the electromagnetic field and having a frequency in the **electromagnetic spectrum** (*Esp*) *onda electromagnética*

electronic counter countermeasures (ECCM) *abbr* the division of **electronic warfare** involving actions taken to prevent or reduce an enemy's effective use of **electronic countermeasures** (*Esp*) *Contra-Contra medidas Electrónicas*

electronic countermeasures (ECM) *n* the division of **electronic warfare** involving actions taken to prevent or reduce an enemy's effective use of the **electromagnetic spectrum** (*Esp*) *contra medidas electrónicas*. ► also **countermeasures**

electronic deception *n* ► **deception**

electronic information security *n* ► **INFOSEC**

electronic intelligence (ELINT) *n* technical intelligence derived from foreign non-communications electromagnetic radiations, excluding nuclear detonations and radioactive sources (*Esp*) *inteligencia electrónica*

electronic jamming *n* the deliberate radiation, re-radiation, or reflection of electromagnetic energy with the object of impairing the use of electronic devices, equipment, or systems being used by the enemy (*Esp*) *perturbación electrónica*

electronic protective measures (EPM) *n* the major subdivision of **electronic warfare** involving actions taken to retain friendly effective use of the **electromagnetic spectrum** (*Esp*) *medidas de protección electrónica*

electronic warfare (EW) *n* Military action involving the use of electromagnetic energy to determine, exploit, reduce, or prevent hostile use of the **electromagnetic spectrum** and action which retains friendly use of the electromagnetic spectrum. Electronic warfare is divided into three categories: **ESM**, **ECM**, and **ECCM**. (*Esp*) *guerra electrónica*

electronic warfare support measures (ESM) *n* the division of **electronic warfare** involving actions taken under the direct control of an operational commander to search for, intercept, locate, and identify sources of radiated electromagnetic energy for the purpose of immediate threat recognition (*Esp*) *medidas de apoyo electrónico*

ELINT *abbr* ► **electronic intelligence**

elite *n* [*plural*] a group or class of people that are superior in intelligence, ability or social status (*Esp*) *élite*

embankment *n* a thick wall or mound of earth that is built to carry a road or railway over an area of low ground, or to prevent water from a river or the sea from flooding the area (*Esp*) *terraplén*

embark *v* to get onto a ship, or into a submarine or aircraft (*Esp*) *embarcar*. ► also **emplane**

embarkation *n* the process of putting personnel and/or vehicles and their associated stores and equipment into ships and/or aircraft (*Esp*) *embarque*

embassy *n* (a) also **diplomatic mission** [*frml*], a group of people from one nation, headed by an **ambassador**, delegated to represent it in the capital city of a foreign country, or **host nation**, all of whom usually hold full diplomatic immunity from local laws (*Esp*) *misión diplomática* (b) also **chancery** [*frml*], the office building occupied by a **diplomatic mission**, i.e. ambassador and embassy staff, in the capital city of a foreign country, referred to as the

host nation. Although an embassy is not sovereign territory of the represented nation, it does have special privileges, such as the host country not being able to enter without permission from the mission, which enables an embassy to be used as a sanctuary within a host nation (*Esp*) *embajada, misión permanente*

emblem *n* an icon, object, coat of arms, or even an animal that serves as a symbolic image and distinguishing badge of a nation or organisation (*Esp*) *emblema*. ► also **coat of arms**

EMCON *abbr* ► **emission control**

emergency river crossing site *n* a site on a river obstacle in the combat zone where some construction work has been undertaken to permit the rapid and flexible use in wartime of emergency crossing assets such as military bridging or rafting equipment (*Esp*) *punto de paso de ríos de emergencia*

emission control (EMCON) *n* the management of the use of the electromagnetic spectrum by our forces (*Esp*) *control de emisiones*

EMP *abbr* ► **electromagnetic pulse**

emplace *vt* to put an obstacle into a specific location or position (*Esp*) *colocar un obstáculo*. ~ **an antisturbance device** (*Esp*) *colocar un equipo antiintrusión*. ~ **a minefield** (*Esp*) *tender un campo de minas*. ~ **an IED in a pothole** (*Esp*) *colocar un aparato explosivo improvisado en un bache*

emplacement *n* a specially prepared position, usually strong and fortified against hostile fire or bombardment, from which a heavy gun can be fired (*Esp*) *asentamiento*. ~ **site** (*Esp*) *punto de asentamiento*

emplane *v* also **enplane**. to get onto a plane (*Esp*) *embarcar (un avión)*. ► also **embark**

employ *vt* to use something for a particular purpose in order to do something or achieve something (*Esp*) *emplear / usar*. ~ **minefields** (*Esp*) *emplear / usar un campo de minas*

enable *v* to make able, give power, means, competence or ability to, to make possible or easy. Early tanks enabled soldiers to break through enemy trenches. (*Esp*) *permitir, posibilitar*

encirclement *n* the situation in which a military unit or formation has been surrounded and isolated from their lines of communication resulting in loss of freedom of manoeuvre (*Esp*) *cercó*

encounter *vt* **(a)** to come across (*Esp*) *tropezar, toparse con*. ~ **resistance** (*Esp*) *toparse con resistencia* **(b)** to be faced with, especially difficulty or danger (*Esp*) *encontrar, encontrarse con*

encrypt *vt* to convert plain text into unintelligible form by means of a cryptosystem, which may be manual or electronic (*Esp*) *encriptar*. ► also **cryptocenter**

end point marker *n* a marker located at the beginning and end of a mine strip, mine row or irregular outer edge (IOE) [*land mine warfare*] (*Esp*) *marcador del punto final*

enfilade *adj n* exposure of a military formation to enemy fire along its longest axis (*Esp*) *enfilada*. ~ **fire** firing along the longest axis of the enemy from a protected defiladed position (*Esp*) *fuego de enfilada*. **position of ~** (*Esp*) *posición de enfilada*. ► also **defilade**

engage *vt* also ~ **the enemy**, in a military context, to start to fight or shoot at someone (*Esp*) *empeñarse en combate, entablar combate*. **to ~ in combat, to ~ the enemy. Second Company engaged the enemy guerrilla elements.** (*Esp*) *La segunda compañía entabló combate con la guerrilla enemiga*.

engagement *n* an armed conflict between two enemies (*Esp*) *combate*. **The UN does not have the responsibility for military engagements.** (*Esp*) *Las Naciones Unidas no tienen responsabilidad en los conflictos militares*.

engineer brigade (ENG BDE) *n* (*Esp*) *brigada de ingenieros*. ► APPENDIX E. ► also **combat engineer** ► also **sapper**

engineer platoon *n* (*Esp*) *sección de ingenieros*. ► APPENDIX E. ► also **combat engineer** ► also **sapper**

enhance *v* to provide with improved, advanced, or sophisticated features (*Esp*) *mejorar*

enhanced combat body armour *n* (BrE) ► **ECBA**

enhancement *n* an improvement or increase (*Esp*) *mejora, aumento*. ► **enhance** *v*

enlist *vi* to enrol or be enrolled in the armed services (*Esp*) *alistarse, entrar en filas*

enlisted personnel *n* (AmE) members of the armed forces below the rank of officer (Esp) *suboficiales y clases de tropa y marinería*

enplane *v* ► **emplane**

ensure *vt* to make certain that something happens (Esp) *asegurar(se), garantizar*. **We have to ~ that the prisoners are kept in a safe place to prevent them from being lynched.** (Esp) *Tenemos que asegurarnos de que los prisioneros se colocan en un lugar seguro para evitar que sean linchados.*

entrance *n* a door or opening through which one enters a building or enclosed area (Esp) *entrada*

entrenching tool *n* a military issue tool for digging, which can nowadays be folded for carrying (Esp) *zapapico*

entrenchment *n* a **foxhole** or **trench** made by a unit for protection against enemy fire (Esp) *atrincheramiento*

envelopment *n* an attack made on one or both of the enemy's flanks or rear (Esp) *envolvimiento*. **An ~ is usually made while the enemy is attacked from the front.** (Esp) *Es habitual envolver al enemigo mientras se le ataca frontalmente.*

EOD *abbr* ► **explosive ordnance disposal**

EOTS *abbr* ► **estimate of the situation**

epaulette *n* (BrE) **epaulet** (AmE) also **shoulder loop**. An ornamental shoulder piece on an item of clothing, typically on the coat or jacket of a military uniform. In modern uniforms a strip of cloth from shoulder to collar on a military uniform bearing the badge of rank or other insignia. (Esp) *hombreira*. ► APPENDIX B

EPM *abbr* ► **electronic protective measures**

equipment (**eqpt**) *n* [uncount] the group of items needed for a particular purpose (Esp) *equipo*. **Get the ~ ready for the mission as soon as possible.** (Esp) *Tengan el equipo listo para la misión tan pronto como sea posible.*

ERA *abbr* ► **explosive reactive armor**

escort *n* (a) a combatant unit assigned to accompany and protect another force or convoy (Esp) *escorta* (b) aircraft assigned to protect other aircraft during a mission (Esp) *escorta* (c) an armed guard that accompanies a convoy, a train, prisoners, etc. (Esp) *escorta* (d) an armed guard accompanying persons as a mark of honor (Esp) *escorta* (e) a member of the Armed Forces assigned to accompany, assist, or guide an individual or group (Esp) *escorta*

escort *vt* (a) to accompany and protect from attack (Esp) *escortar* ► also **bodyguard** (b) [frm] to accompany (Esp) *acompañar*

ESM *abbr* ► **electronic warfare support measures**

espionage *n* the act of spying or using spies, typically by governments to obtain political or military information (Esp) *espionaje*

estimate of the situation (**EOTS**) *n* a logical process of reasoning by which a commander considers all the circumstances affecting the military situation and arrives at a decision as to the course of action to be taken in order to accomplish his or her mission (Esp) *valoración de la situación*

estimated *adj* roughly calculating or judging the value, number, quantity or extent of (Esp) *aproximado, estimado*

ETA *abbr* estimated time of arrival (Esp) *hora aproximada de llegada*

ETD *abbr* estimated time of departure (Esp) *hora aproximada de salida*

ethics *n* (a) the moral principles that govern a person's behaviour. In the military, four basic components are identified as integrity, duty, selfless service and loyalty (Esp) *ética*. ► **West Point Honor Code** (b) a branch of knowledge that deals with moral principles (Esp) *ética*

ethnic *adj* relating to a common nation and culture (Esp) *étnico*. ~ **group** (Esp) *grupo étnico*. ~ **minority** (Esp) *minoría étnica*

ETR *abbr* estimated time of return (Esp) *hora aproximada de regreso*

evacuate *v* to remove or withdraw personnel and cargo from an area (Esp) *evacuar*

evacuation (**evac**) *n* the removal or withdrawal of personnel and cargo from an area (Esp) *evacuación*. **air ~** (Esp) *evacuación aérea*. **to receive an ~ order** (Esp) *recibir la orden de evacuación*

EW *abbr* ► **electronic warfare**

excavation *n* a hole that has been made in the ground by mechanical means, or the process of digging and moving earth (*Esp*) *excavación*.

excavator *n* a vehicle used to dig holes and trenches in the ground (*Esp*) *excavadora*. ~-**loader** (*Esp*) *excavadora cargadora*

exchange (X) *abbr* (AmE) also **base exchange** (BX) *a retail store on a US military base [formerly known as MCX, NEX and PX] (Esp) tienda de efectos personales y víveres, tienda (militar)*

exercise *n* [count] (a) also **training** ~, a military manoeuvre or other simulated wartime operation involving planning, preparation, and execution, which is carried out for training or evaluation (*Esp*) *ejercicios, maniobras*. **to go on** ~ (*Esp*) *ir de maniobras* (b) an activity or process that helps you practise a particular skill such as map reading (*Esp*) *ejercicio*. **The aim of this ~ is to give you some practice in compass marching.**

exfiltrate *vt* to remove personnel or units from areas under enemy control (*Esp*) *exfiltrar, sacar*

exfiltration (exfil) *n* also **extraction**, the removal of personnel or units from areas under enemy control, often when faced with imminent danger (*Esp*) *extracción*

exhaust outlet *n* also **exhaust pipe**, the tube from which waste gases, resulting from the combustion of a fuel, are expelled (*Esp*) *tubo de escape*

exit *n* a door or opening through which one goes out of a building or enclosed area (*Esp*) *salida*. **emergency** ~ (*Esp*) *salida de emergencia*

expedient bridge *n* (*Esp*) *punte de circunstancias*

expenditure *n* (a) the action of spending funds (*Esp*) *gasto* (b) an amount of money spent (*Esp*) *gasto*

explode *vi vt* also **blow up**, to rapidly expand with noise and force, either due to rapid combustion of a chemically unstable material or excessive internal pressure (*Esp*) *explotar, estallar*. **They exploded the suspicious package in the car park.**

exploded view *n* a drawing or picture showing components of equipment as if they were dismantled (*Esp*) *vista en explosionado*

exploitation *n* (a) taking full advantage of success in battle and following up initial gains (b) taking full advantage of any information that has come to hand for tactical, operational, or strategic purposes (c) an offensive operation that usually follows a successful attack and is designed to disorganize the enemy in depth (*Esp*) *explotación*

explosive *n* a compound or mixture that when activated by heat, shock, friction or other impulse produces a rapid chemical reaction, decomposition or combustion with instant generation of heat and gases with a combined volume much larger than the original substance, i.e. an explosion (*Esp*) *explosivo*. **high** ~ (*Esp*) *alto explosivo, explosivo detonante*. **low** ~ (*Esp*) *explosivo bajo, explosivo deflagrante*

explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) *n* the detection, identification, field evaluation, making safe, recovery and final disposal of unexploded explosive ordnance, including the rendering safe and/or disposal of explosive ordnance that have become hazardous by damage or deterioration when the disposal of such ordnance is beyond the capabilities of personnel normally assigned the responsibility for routine disposal (*Esp*) *desactivación de artificios, desactivación de explosivos*. ~ **man** (*Esp*) *personal TEDAX*

explosive reactive armor (ERA) *n* additional armor that explodes when struck by a projectile thereby decreasing the projectiles penetrating capabilities (*Esp*) *coraza reactiva*. ► also **APFS projectile** ► also **APFSDS projectile**

explosive train *n* also **explosive chain**. Components of an explosive device, normally consisting of a primer or detonator, booster charge and warhead or demolition charge, necessary to cause the explosion (*Esp*) *tren o cadena de fuego*

explosively-formed penetrator *abbr* ► **EFPP**

expressway *n* (AmE) a dual carriageway road designed for fast traffic, with relatively few places for joining or leaving (*Esp*) *autopista*

extracting *n* the step in the cycle of operation of a light weapon in which the cartridge case is pulled from the chamber (*Esp*) *extracción*

extraction *n* also **exfiltration (exfil)**, the removal of personnel or units from areas under enemy control, often when faced with imminent danger (*Esp*) *extracción*
extractor *n* a mechanical device for removing cartridge cases from the breech (*Esp*) *extractor*
eyes left/right *n* command given to troops marching to turn head and eyesight to one direction (*Esp*) *vista a la izquierda/derecha*

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fabric *n* cloth, typically produced by weaving or knitting textile fibres (*Esp*) *tejido, tela*
face *vi* have the face or front pointing in a specified direction. **The house faces north(ward).** (*Esp*) *La casa esta orientada al norte.* **right** ~ turn 90 degrees to your right [*drill command*] (*Esp*) *¡derecha ar!* **left** ~ turn 90 degrees to your left [*drill command*] (*Esp*) *¡izquierda ar!* **about** ~ turn through 180 degrees [*drill command*] (*Esp*) *¡media vuelta ar!*
face veil *n* (*BrE*) a piece of green netted material worn by soldiers as a scarf, though it may also be used to conceal the head (*Esp*) *red mimética*. ► also **shemagh**
facility *n* space, equipment, buildings or installations necessary for doing something (*Esp*) *instalaciones*. **cooking facilities** (*Esp*) *instalaciones de cocina*
facsimile *n* A system of radio or wire communications by which still pictures, illustrations, maps, or printed pages are transmitted and received. Type-A facsimile is a system in which images are built up of lines or dots of constant intensity, whereas in Type-B facsimile images are built up of lines or dots of varying intensity. (*Esp*) *facsimil*
factor of safety *n* also **safety factor**. extra strength built into a structure or mechanism to provide a margin over expected loads (*Esp*) *factor de seguridad*
fading *n* variations in the strength of a radio signal at the point of reception (*Esp*) *desvanecimiento de la señal*
failure *n* **(a)** a lack of success in doing something (*Esp*) *fracaso* **(b)** the action or situation when a machine or system stops not working properly (*Esp*) *fallo [mecánico, etc.]*
fake *adj* also **false**, not authentic, but carefully made to look real (*Esp*) *falso*. ~ **passport** (*Esp*) *pasaporte falso*
fake *n* a carefully made copy of an object, which is used to deceive people (*Esp*) *falsificación, imitación*. **Her ID card is a ~.**
fall in *vi* **(a)** to take one's place in a military formation (*Esp*) *formar, entrar en formación* **(b)** the drill command to take each one's place in a military formation (*Esp*) *¡A formar!*
fall out *vi* **(a)** to leave one's place in a military formation (*Esp*) *romper filas, salir de formación* **(b)** the drill command to leave each one's place in a military formation (*Esp*) *¡Rompan filas!*
falling-block obstacle *n* a concrete block vertically erected beside a road which, when activated by a small charge of explosives, falls across the road creating an antitank obstacle (*Esp*) *obstáculo con bloques basculantes*. ~ **system** (*Esp*) *conjunto de obstáculos con bloques basculantes*
fall-out *n* radioactive dust in the air, after a nuclear explosion (*Esp*) *lluvia radioactiva*
false *adj* also **fake**, not authentic, but made to seem real (*Esp*) *falso*. ~ **beard** (*Esp*) *barba falsa*. ~ **alarm** (*Esp*) *falsa alarma*. **He gave a ~ name.** (*Esp*) *Dió un nombre falso*.
family name *n* (*Esp*) *apellido* ► **surname**
farm *n* an area of land and its buildings used for growing crops and rearing animals, typically under the control of one owner or manager (*Esp*) *granja*
FARP *abbr* ► **forward arming and refuelling point**
fascine *n* a roll of small sticks of wood or pipes used to strengthen defensive earthworks, or fill a ditch or strengthen soft ground in order to enable vehicles to cross (*Esp*) *fascine*
fasten *vt* attach, join, connect (*Esp*) *asegurar, atar*
fatigue jacket *n* (*AmE*) the jacket of the combat uniform. ► also **smock, combat jacket** (*Esp*) *camisola (unif. de instrucción)*. ► APPENDIX B
fatigue order *n* (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *mono (de trabajo)*
fatigue pants *n* (*AmE*) the trousers of the combat uniform. ► also **combat trousers**. (*Esp*) *pantalones del uniforme de instrucción*. ► APPENDIX B

fatigues *n* (AmE) combat uniform (Esp) *uniforme de instrucción/campaña*. **jungle** ~ the model of green combat uniform that was in service in the US military during the Vietnam campaign.

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feasibility study *n* the process of studying and evaluation to determine the possibility of accomplishing goals or tasks (Esp) *estudio de viabilidad*

feature *n* a distinctive attribute or aspect of something (Esp) *rasgo*. **terrain** ~ (Esp) *accidente del terreno*

FEBA *abbr* ►forward edge of the battle area

feed *vt* place a round of ammunition in a weapon ready to be chambered. In most modern small weapons, this operation is carried out by inserting the magazine into the magazine well (Esp) *alimentar (un arma)*

feeding *n adj* the step in the cycle of operation of a light weapon in which a round is placed in the path of the bolt, usually by inserting the magazine into the magazine well (Esp) *alimentación*. ~ **method** (Esp) *sistema o método de alimentación*

feint *v* to distract the action of the enemy by seeking contact with it (Esp) *amagar*

fence *n* a barrier between two areas of land, made of wood or wire supported by posts (Esp) *cerca, valla*. ~ **post** (Esp) *poste de vallado*. **wire** ~ (Esp) *alambrada*

ferry *n* a propelled raft or boat operating between two or more landing sites (Esp) *transbordador*

fertilizer *n* a product of natural or artificial origin that provides plants with nutrients to help them grow, such as manure from decomposed animal waste (Esp) *abono, fertilizante*. ~ **bomb** a kind of **improvised explosive device** used by terrorist groups, commonly made from ammonium nitrate fertilizer (Esp) *bomba fertilizante*

FF *abbr* ►friendly forces

FIBUA *abbr* fighting in built-up areas (Esp) *combate en población*

field *n* (a) an area of open land typically bounded by hedges or fences (Esp) *campo* (b) a place where military personnel usually go on manoeuvres (Esp) *campo (de maniobras)*. ~ **training exercise (FTX)** (Esp) *ejercicio de campo, maniobras*. ~ **ammunition storage** (Esp) *polvorín de campaña*. ~ **bandage** [first aid] a temporary bandage applied to an open wound on the battlefield (Esp) *venda de campaña*. ~ **equipment** personal equipment for training exercises and combat (Esp) *equipo individual de campaña*. ~ **fortification** an emplacement or shelter of a temporary nature which can be constructed with reasonable facility by units requiring no more than minor engineer supervisory and equipment participation (Esp) *fortificación de campaña*. ~ **jacket** a short, cold weather coat worn with the combat uniform (Esp) *chaquetón*. ~ **pack** a small rucksack that is used to carry a soldier's spare clothing, food and personal equipment whilst in the field for up to two days (Esp) *mochila de combate*. ~ **uniform** a type of uniform worn in a field, training, or combat environment combat uniform (Esp) *uniforme de instrucción/campaña*

field artillery *n* (a) a branch of the Army which uses cannons, rockets and missile systems in combat operations (b) any artillery weapon which is sufficiently mobile to accompany and support infantry, armor and other combat units in the field (Esp) *artillería de campaña*

field grade *n* also **senior officers**. ranks above captain and below flag officer (Esp) *oficiales superiores*

field marshal *n* the highest officer rank in the British Army, above general (Esp) *capitán general, mariscal de campo*. ►APPENDIX A

field of fire (F of F) *n* the area which a weapon or a group of weapons may cover effectively with fire from a given position (Esp) *sector de tiro*. ►also **field of view**

field of view *n* also **field of vision**. The entire area that someone can observe from one point, through a window, etc. (Esp) *campo de visión*

field train *n* also **luggage train**. elements of a unit not required for immediate support of combat elements, which may include kitchens, maintenance, supplies and vehicles not required for immediate combat support, as opposed to **combat train** (Esp) *tren de víveres y bagajes*

fielding *n* deployment (Esp) *despliegue*

field-type obstacle *n* an obstacle for which no on-site preparation is undertaken prior to its implementation (Esp) *obstáculo de campaña*

fiery jet *n* (Esp) *chorro de fuego*. The rocket engines poured out fiery jets which lifted the spacecraft up into the sky.

fight *n* the use of physical force against another person, army, etc. (Esp) *lucha, combate, pelea*. ~ **hand to hand** (Esp) *combate cuerpo a cuerpo*. ~ **on foot** (Esp) *combate a pie*. **dog-** (Esp) *combate entre dos aviones de caza*. **night** ~ (Esp) *combate nocturno*. **street** ~ (Esp) *pelea callejera*

fight *vi* to use physical force against another person (Esp) *luchar, combatir*. ~ **with**, ~ **against** (Esp) *combatir contra*

fighting hole *n* (Esp) *pozo de tirador*

fighting order *n* (BrE) combat uniform with webbing and specified equipment (Esp) *uniforme de instrucción con correa y equipo de combate*. ►APPENDIX B

fill *n* material, typically loose or compacted, which fills a hole in the ground or a space, especially in building or engineering work (Esp) *relleno*

fill *vt* to make or become full, to occupy completely (Esp) *llenar, rellenar*

fin *n* a small subsidiary structure on an aircraft, rocket or missile designed to increase directional stability. Rockets and missiles need fins for stabilization and guidance. (Esp) *aleta*

final assembly area *n* an easily identifiable location, from which the elements of a unit separate and go directly to their prearranged positions, in order to carry out a mission (Esp) *punto de dislocación*

final coordination line *n* in attack, a line close to the enemy positions and easy to identify on the ground, to coordinate the lifting and shifting of supporting fires with the final movement of maneuver elements (Esp) *línea de coordinación final*

final protective line *n* in defense, a line where an enemy assault is to be checked by interlocking fire from all available weapons (Esp) *línea de protección final*

fire *n* [usu. *uncount*] **(a)** the shooting of projectiles from weapons (Esp) *fuego, tiro*. ~ **command** (Esp) *orden en la línea de tiro*. ~ **control system** a group of interrelated fire control equipments and or instruments designed for use with a weapon or group of weapons (Esp) *sistema de control del tiro*. ~ **for effect** **(FFE)** (Esp) *tiro en eficacia*. ~ **plan** a tactical plan for using the weapons of a unit or formation so that their fire will be co-ordinated (Esp) *plan de fuegos*. ~ **superiority** (Esp) *superioridad de fuegos*. ~ **support** assistance to those elements of the ground forces which close with the enemy such as infantry and armor units, provided by artillery and mortar fire, naval gun fire and close air support (Esp) *apoyo de fuegos*. ~ **support coordination line** **(FSCL)** A line established by the appropriate ground commander to ensure coordination of fire not under his control but which may affect current tactical operations. The FSCL is used to coordinate fire of air, ground or sea weapon systems using any type of ammunition against surface targets. The FSCL should follow well defined terrain features. The establishment of the FSCL must be coordinated with the appropriate tactical air commander and other supporting elements. Supporting elements may attack targets forward of the FSCL without prior coordination with the ground force commander provided the attack will not produce adverse surface effects on, or to the rear of, the line. (Esp) *línea de coordinación de fuegos*. **area** ~ (Esp) *fuego de zona*. **automatic** ~ (Esp) *tiro automático*. **call for** ~ (Esp) *petición de fuego*. **covering** ~ (Esp) *fuego de cobertura*. **direct** ~ fire directed at a target which is visible to the aimer (Esp) *tiro directo*. **dry-** ~ (Esp) *fuego simulado, sin fuego real*. **friendly** ~, also **non-hostile** ~ (Esp) *fuego amigo* ► **blue on blue**. **grazing** ~ (Esp) *fuego rasante*. **incoming** ~ (Esp) *fuego entrante*. **indirect** ~ **(IDF)** fire directed at a target which is not visible to the aimer, as is often the case with mortars (Esp) *tiro indirecto*. **interlocking** ~ ► **crossfire** (Esp) *fuego cruzado*. **live-** ~ (Esp) *fuego real*. **supporting** ~ (Esp) *fuego de apoyo*. **suppressing** ~ (Esp) *fuego de supresión* **(b)** combustion (Esp) *incendio, fuego*. ~ **alarm** (Esp) *alarma de incendios*. ~ **drill** (Esp) *ejercicios de incendio*

fire *vt* to discharge a weapon, launch a rocket or missile, or detonate an explosive (Esp) *disparar o hacer fuego con un arma*. ~ **on the move** Modern tanks are able to fire while moving at 70kph. They have a stabilizing system built into the main gun which adjusts the sights according to movement (Esp) *disparar en movimiento*

fire and maneuver *vi* the basic concept of always "keeping one foot on the ground", which requires a minimum of two soldiers in a **buddy team**, working in such a way that one advances whilst the other observes and provides **covering fire** (*Esp*) *combinación de fuego y movimiento*

fire direction and coordination *n* the exercise of tactical command for the selection of targets, priority of engagement, concentration and distribution of fires, allocation of ammunition and issue of fire commands (*Esp*) *dirección y coordinación de fuegos*

firearm *n* any kind of **individual weapon** that fires a high-velocity **projectile** through **deflagration**, such as pistols and rifles (*Esp*) *arma de fuego*

fireball *n* also **ball of fire**, a spherical mass of fire produced in an explosion (*Esp*) *bola de fuego*

firebreak *n* a long strip of open space in a large forest or other area of dense vegetation, which is created to stop a fire from spreading (*Esp*) *cortafuegos*

firefight *n* an exchange of fire between opposing units (*Esp*) *tiroteo, intercambio de disparos*

firepower *n* (a) the amount of fire which may be delivered by a position, unit, or weapon system. (b) the ability to deliver fire (c) The potential capacity (product) of all weapons and attack systems available to the force commander. This is determined by many factors such as caliber, range and rounds per minute. An armor brigade has more firepower than an infantry brigade (*Esp*) *potencia de fuego*

fireproof *adj* protected from intense heat and fire (*Esp*) *ignífugo, incombustible*

fireteam *n* the smallest infantry unit, consisting of two to four foot soldiers, led by an **NCO**, which is a sub-division of a **squad** or **section** (*Esp*) *escuadra*. ► also **buddy-buddy system**

firing *n* the step in the cycle of operation of a weapon that refers to pulling the trigger, releasing the hammer to strike the firing pin, which strikes the primer of the round. The primer ignites the propellant powder. (*Esp*) *disparo*. ~ **line** (*Esp*) *línea de tiro*. ~ **mechanism** (*Esp*) *mecanismo de disparo*. ~ **mode** (*Esp*) *modo de disparo*. ~ **pin** plunger in the bolt of a rifle that strikes the primer (*Esp*) *percutor, aguja percutora*. ~ **point** (**FP**) (*Esp*) *punto de puntería*. ~ **port** A small opening or window in the side of an armored vehicle through which soldiers can shoot their weapons. An IVP has firing ports which enable soldiers inside to fire at the enemy from within the vehicle. (*Esp*) *tronera*. ~ **post** a launch stand from which a rocket or missile may be fired (*Esp*) *puesto de tiro*. ~ **range, shooting range, rifle range** a place where people can practice shooting at targets (*Esp*) *campo de tiro*

first name *n* a given name, e.g. David, usu. written before the **surname** (*Esp*) *primer nombre*

First World War *n* ► **WW1**

first-aid *n* [uncount] **to give** ~. basic medical assistance given to an injured person by any trained personnel, whether for minor cuts or to save a life (*Esp*) *primeros auxilios*. ~ **kit** (*Esp*) *botiquín de primeros auxilios*. ~ **station**, ~ **post** (**BrE**) a post or location where basic medical help is received (*Esp*) *centro de primeros auxilios, puesto de primeros auxilios, puesto de socorro*

fishhook *n* the sharp U-shaped pin that a fish bites onto when it is caught (*Esp*) *anzuelo*

fishing line *n* a long silk or nylon thread made for catching fish, though in the military it is used to make **booby traps** (*Esp*) *sedal*

fit *vt* (a) be of the right shape and size (for someone) (*Esp*) *quedar bien de talla (a alguien)*. **The uniform fitted her perfectly** (*Esp*) *El uniforme le quedaba perfectamente (a ella)* (b) ~ **with** to provide; furnish; equip (*Esp*) *equipar, dotar*. (c) ~ **to/on (a place)** to put a piece of equipment into a place or a new part onto a machine (*Esp*) *montar, instalar*

fitted *adj* to have or include something as a permanent part (a) **to be ~ with** (*Esp*) *estar dotado o equipado (de serie) con* **The tank was fitted with explosive reactive armor.** (b) **to be ~ to** (*Esp*) *estar unido o acoplado a* **ERA is often fitted to the a tank turret to improve its protection against HEAT missiles.**

fix *vt* a tactical task in which actions are taken to prevent the enemy from moving any part of his forces either from a specific location or for a specific period of time by holding or surrounding them to prevent their withdrawal for use elsewhere (*Esp*) *fijar*

fixed-wing aircraft *n* an airplane, as opposed to rotary-wing aircraft, i.e. helicopters (*Esp*) *aeronave de ala fija, avión*

flag *n* a piece of coloured material, usually rectangular and attached to a pole, which is used to represent a nation or organisation, or to send a signal (*Esp*) *bandera*. **white** ~, ~ **of truce** a white flag, indicating a desire to surrender or negotiate (*Esp*) *bandera de paz, bandera de parlamento*. ~ **officer** (*Esp*) *oficial general de Marina [almirante, vicealmirante, contralmirante]*

flag officer *n* ranks above colonel (*Esp*) *oficial general*

flag semaphore *n* signal system using flags as visual signs (*Esp*) *banderas de señales*

flail tank *n* a tank fitted with rotating flails, such as heavy chains, used to detonate mines (e.g. the German Keiler) (*Esp*) *carro con sistema de mayales antiminas, carro para contraminado por golpeo*

flak *n* also **flack**. anti-aircraft fire, fired from emplacements on the ground (*Esp*) *fuego antiaéreo*. ~ **jacket** original, WW2 name for a sleeveless jacket made of heavy fabric reinforced with metal or kevlar, worn as protection against bullets, shrapnel or, inside aircraft, against **flak** (*Esp*) *chaleco antibalas, chaleco balístico*. ► also **body armor**

flank *n* the right or left part of an infantry or cavalry unit, or the terrain to the right or left of the unit (*Esp*) *flanco*. **The platoon received fire from the right** ~. (*Esp*) *La sección recibió fuego desde el flanco derecho*. ~ **guard** a security element operating to the flank of a moving or stationary force to protect it from enemy ground observation, direct fire, and surprise attack (*Esp*) *seguridad de flancos* ► also **guard**

flare *n* pyrotechnic which emits a bright light in order to improve visibility at night (*Esp*) *bengala*. **Flares were used to light up the area at night so that the enemy couldn't move.**

flash *n* (a) the flame and heat given out by an explosion or the shooting of a weapon (*Esp*) *fogonazo* (b) a coloured patch of cloth on a uniform, worn especially on the upper arm or shoulder or in the beret used as the distinguishing emblem of a regiment, formation or country (*Esp*) *parche*. **tactical recognition** ~ (**TRF**) (*BrE*) coloured patch worn on the upper arm to identify the wearer's regiment or corps (*Esp*) *parche de identificación (del regimiento o cuerpo)*

flash light *n* (*AmE*) **torch** (*BrE*) a portable battery-powered electric lamp (*Esp*) *linterna*

flash suppressor *n* device fitted to the muzzle of a gun for reducing the flare when firing (*Esp*) *bocacha apagallamas*. ► APPENDIX C

flatbed *n* a vehicle with a flat load-carrying area (*Esp*) *plataforma tráiler de bajo perfil*. **This ~ is to transport the M-113.** (*Esp*) *Esta plataforma es para transportar el M-113*.

flatbed trailer *n* a towed, unpowered vehicle with a flat load-carrying area (*Esp*) *semirremolque*

fleece *n* (a) a soft warm fabric with a texture similar to sheep's wool, used as a lining [(*Esp*) *forro*] material (*Esp*) *borrego, borreguillo, pellejo* (b) also ~ **jacket**. A jacket or other cold weather garment, usually with a zipper, made from a fabric with a texture similar to sheep's wool (*Esp*) *forro, polar*

fleur-de-lis *n* /ˌflʊːr.dəˈliː/ (*AmE*) /ˌflɜːdəˈliː/ (*BrE*) [*plural fleurs-de-lis, same pronunciation*] a lily shape with three petals used as an emblem by some military units, such as the Spanish MADOC (*Esp*) *flor de lis*

flight corridor *n* A restricted air route of travel specified for use by friendly aircraft and established to prevent friendly aircraft from being fired on by friendly forces. It is used to deconflict artillery firing positions with aviation traffic. (*Esp*) *corredor aéreo*

flight deck *n* the level on an **aircraft carrier** from which planes and helicopters may take off and land (*Esp*) *cubierta de vuelo*

flight manifest *n* a list of all passengers and crew, which is completed before departure (*Esp*) *manifiesto de vuelo*

FLIR *abbr* ► **forward-looking infrared**

flood *n* a large amount of water covering an area which is usually dry, for example when a river overflows after a storm (*Esp*) *inundación*

floodlight *n* a very bright lamp for illuminating a large area, usu. 500 to 1000 **watts** (*Esp*) *foco*

FLOT *abbr* ► **forward line of own troops**

flyby *n* (*AmE*) also **flyover** (*AmE*) **flypast** (*BrE*) either a single plane or a group of planes flying in formation in an air show or military parade (*Esp*) *desfile aéreo*

flyover *n* (a) (BrE) also **overpass**, a high-level road, rail or pedestrian bridge that crosses over another road, walkway, buildings, etc (Esp) *paso elevado* (b) (AmE) also **flyby** (AmE)

flypast (BrE) either a single plane or a group of planes flying in formation in an air show or military parade (Esp) *desfile aéreo*

flypast *n* (BrE) **flyby** (AmE) **flyover** (AmE) either a single plane or a group of planes flying in formation in an air show or military parade (Esp) *desfile aéreo*

FO *abbr* ► **forward observer**

FOB *abbr* ► **forward operating base**

FOD *abbr* foreign object debris, any object on a runway that could cause damage to aircraft, especially due to the backwash from a jet engine (Esp) *FOD, objeto no identificado en pista*. ~ **bin** (Esp) *recipiente para FOD*

foe *n* [poetic, literary or formal English] enemy or opponent (Esp) *enemigo* ► **identification friend or foe**

folding *adj* also **collapsible**. Able to be bent into a more compact shape to make it easier to store or carry, applied to a piece of equipment or furniture (Esp) *plegable*. ~ **stock**, ~ **buttstock** (Esp) *culatín plegable*

follow up *n* an action that follows an initial operation or mission (Esp) *continuación, seguimiento*
After the main attack follow up teams went in to make a report of the battle.

follow-and-support force *n* a force which follows an exploiting force securing communications and eliminating bypassed enemy forces (Esp) *fuerzas de apoyo a la explotación*. ► also **exploitation**

follow-on echelon *n* Forces moved into the objective area by air or surface after the assault echelon of an airborne, air assault, or amphibious operation to sustain the defense and to conduct offensive operations as part of the larger force after linkup. Normally, it includes follow-on elements of the maintenance unit, headquarters elements, and elements of the supply and service battalion. (Esp) *segundo escalón*

follow-on forces *n* (Esp) *fuerzas de segundo escalón*. ► **follow-on echelon**

FOO *abbr* ► **forward observation officer**

foot (ft, ') *n* [plural **feet**] a unit of distance equal to 0.3048 metres, or twelve inches (Esp) *pie [medida]* ► also **inch**

foot drill *n* also **drill**, **close-order drill** (AmE). Practice in formation marching and other movements, and in the handling of arms during formal marching and ceremonies (Esp) *instrucción de orden cerrado*

footbridge *n* a narrow bridge for people travelling on foot (Esp) *pasarela*

foothills *n* [count] low hills at the base of a mountain or mountain range (Esp) *estribaciones*. **The camp lies in the ~ of the mountains.**

footpath *n* also **path**. A way or track laid down for walking or made by continual treading (Esp) *senda, sendero*

footwear *n* [uncount] outer coverings for the feet, such as boots, shoes and sandals (Esp) *calzado*

forage cap *n* (BrE) a peaked cap forming part of a soldier's uniform ► also **peaked cap**, **service cap**, **service dress hat** (Esp) *gorra de plato*

force *n* (a) an organised body of military personnel or police (Esp) *fuerza*. ~ **protection** a carefully planned and integrated security program to protect soldiers, civilians and installations from any potential kind of attack, supported by intelligence, counterintelligence and other security programs (Esp) *protección de fuerzas, protección de la fuerza*. **paramilitary** ~ (Esp) *fuerza paramilitar*. **peacekeeping** ~ (Esp) *fuerza de paz*. **task** ~ (Esp) *agrupación táctica* (b) power, energy (Esp) *energía*

forces in depth *n* in all types of operation, all the forces not committed to the contact battle, either in command and control installations, logistics or other support, which are located within a commander's area of influence (Esp) *fuerzas de retaguardia*

ford *n* shallow area of a larger body of water or a wet gap that can be crossed without bridging, boats, ferries, or rafts, where the physical characteristics of flow, bed, and approaches permit the passage of personnel, vehicles, and other equipment with the wheels or tracks remaining in contact with the bottom at all times (Esp) *vado*

ford *vt* to cross a shallow area of water (*Esp*) *vadear*. ► **ford** *n*. Tanks are able to ~ rivers of up to 4 meters in depth using snorkels.

fore *adj n* front section, e.g. of a submarine (*Esp*) *proa*. ► **aft** ► **sight**

foreign object debris *n* ► **FOD**

foreigner *n* a person from another country (*Esp*) *extranjero*

forest *n* a large area covered chiefly with trees and undergrowth (*Esp*) *bosque*. **Much of Britain and Europe was covered with ~.**

forklift *n* also ~ **truck**. A small vehicle that transports and stack pallets (*Esp*) *carretilla elevadora, toro*

formation (fmn) *n* an ordered arrangement of troops and/or vehicles for a specific purpose. Types of formations include: box, column, staggered column, diamond, line, vee, wedge, echelon (right or left) (*Esp*) *formación, despliegue*. **to be in ~.**

fort *n* **(a)** also **fortress** [*archaic*] a permanent or semi-permanent military post with strengthened, and heavily guarded, buildings and perimeter wall (*Esp*) *fuerte* **(b)** (*AmE*) a permanent military post, as opposed to a camp, which is temporary (*Esp*) *base militar*

fortification *n* also **fortifications** **(a)** a defensive wall or other kind of reinforcement, which is designed to strengthen a place against attack (*Esp*) *fortificación* **(b)** the act of fortifying (*Esp*) *fortificación*. ► also **fortified position**

fortified position *n* a position that has been strengthened for defense (*Esp*) *posición fortificada*

forward area *n* a location near an enemy or a hostile force or persons (*Esp*) *zona avanzada*

forward arming and refuelling point (FARP) *n* a forward temporary facility which allows helicopters to be refuelled and rearmed (*Esp*) *base avanzada de helicópteros*

forward assist *n* (*AmE*) the mechanism that pushes the charging handle and bolt forwards on a rifle (*Esp*) *mecanismo de retorno*

forward edge of the battle area (FEBA) *n* the foremost limits of a series of areas in which ground combat units are deployed, excluding the areas in which the covering or screening forces are operating, designated to co-ordinate fire support, the positioning of forces, or the manoeuvre of units (*Esp*) *borde anterior de la zona de combate*

forward line of own troops (FLOT) *n* a line that indicates the most forward positions of friendly forces in any kind of military operation at a specific time (*Esp*) *línea avanzada de las fuerzas propias*

forward observer (FO) *n* also **forward observation officer (FOO)** (*BrE*). An artillery officer or NCO attached to an infantry or armored unit to direct artillery fire (*Esp*) *observador avanzado*

forward operating base (FOB) *n* a large military camp set up close to the front line during a conflict (*Esp*) *base avanzada de operaciones, base de operaciones de vanguardia*

forward support base (FSB) *n* a large military camp set up close to the front line during a conflict, which provides combat units with supplies and equipment (*Esp*) *base de apoyo avanzada*

forward-looking infrared *n* a modern night vision system, commonly used by aircraft and tanks, which uses digital image processing to improve the final video image (*Esp*) *cámara térmica FLIR*

four by four (4x4) *n* (*Esp*) *4 por 4, tracción a las cuatro ruedas*

four-in-hand *n* also ~ **necktie**, a necktie tied in a loose knot with two hanging ends (*Esp*) *corbata*

fourragère *n* /fʊrə'dʒeɪ/ (*AmE*) a cord ornament worn on the shoulder of military uniforms (*Esp*) *cordones, forrajera*

foxhole *n* a small pit that soldiers dig as a shelter from the enemy and from which they may also shoot (*Esp*) *pozo de tirador, hoyo de protección*

fracture *n* a break (*Esp*) *fractura* ► **crack**

fragment *n* a small piece that has broken off a larger object, during an explosion for example (*Esp*) *fragmento* ~ **protection**

fragmentary order (FRAGO) *n* an abbreviated form of an operations order, which may be issued in sections, issued as required, eliminating the need for restaffing information contained in a basic operations order (*Esp*) *orden particular, orden fragmentaria*

fragmentation mine *n* (*Esp*) *mina de fragmentación*

FRAGO *abbr* ► **fragmentary order**

framework *n* a particular set of rules, ideas, or beliefs which you use in order to deal with problems or to decide what to do. (*Esp*) *marco, entorno*. **most of the European armies are within the ~ of NATO**. (*Esp*) *la mayoría de los ejércitos europeos están dentro del marco de la OTAN*.

frangible bullet *n* a non-lethal bullet which, on impact with a hard surface such as human bone, breaks into powder or small fragments without penetrating further (*Esp*) *bala fungible*

free channel search (FCS) *n* a function of radio communications equipment, such as the RRC 9200-3, which continuously switches to unused channels (*Esp*) *búsqueda de canal libre*

free net *n* radio network in which any station can communicate without permission from the NCS (**Net Control Station**) (*Esp*) *red libre*

freedom of action *n* the power to act independently within the limits of a mission in order to prevent the enemy from attaining any advantage [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *libertad de acción*

free-fire area *n* an area into which fire can be delivered without coordination (*Esp*) *zona de fuego libre*

freeway *n* (*AmE*) a dual carriageway road designed for fast traffic, with relatively few places for joining or leaving. ► **motorway** (*Esp*) *autopista*

freeze *vt* to stop all movement (*Esp*) *inmovilizar, quedarse parado*

frequency (freq) *n* the number of complete cycles repeated in a given period, usually per second (*Esp*) *frecuencia*. ~ **band** a continuous range of frequencies extending between two limiting frequencies (*Esp*) *banda de frecuencias*. ~ **distortion** distortion caused by the unequal attenuation or gain of the frequencies present in a waveform (*Esp*) *distorsión de frecuencia*. ~ **hopping (FH)** a system of radio communications in which the frequency varies continuously within a range using a predetermined pattern (*Esp*) *salto de frecuencia*. ~ **meter** a device that is calibrated to indicate the frequency of the radio wave to which it is tuned (*Esp*) *medidor de frecuencia*. ~ **modulation (FM)** the process of varying the frequency of a carrier wave, usually with an audio frequency, in order to convey intelligence (*Esp*) *modulación en frecuencia*. ~ **spectrum designation** VLF (very low frequency): below 30 kHz (0.03 MHz). LF (low frequency): 30 - 300 kHz (0.03 - 0.3 MHz). MF (medium frequency): 300 - 3000 kHz (0.3 - 3 MHz). HF (high frequency): 3 - 30 MHz. VHF (very high frequency): 30 - 300 MHz. UHF (ultra high frequency): 300 - 3000 MHz. SHF (super high frequency): 3000 - 30,000 MHz (3 - 30 GHz). EHF (extremely high frequency): 30 - 300 GHz. (*Esp*) *designación del espectro de frecuencias*

friendly *adj* part of the same force, whether allied, joint, coalition, partisan, or multinational (*Esp*) *propio*. ~ **forces (FF)** *n*, also **blue forces** NATO, ISAF or other ally force (*Esp*) *fuerzas propias*

front *n* (**a**) the lateral space occupied by an element measured from the extremity of one flank to the extremity of the other flank (*Esp*) *frente* (**b**) the line of contact between two opposing forces (*Esp*) *frente*

frontage *n* the forward space from one side to the other that is occupied by an element in formation or in combat (*Esp*) *frente*

frontal arc *n* the horizontal range of fire, or sight, of forward weapons of an armored vehicle (*Esp*) *sector frontal*

frontier *n* also **border**, the line dividing two different regions or nations (*Esp*) *frontera*

frostbite *n* a medical condition affecting parts of the body that have been exposed to extreme sub-zero temperatures (*Esp*) *congelación*

FSB *abbr* ► **forward support base**

fuel *n* material such as coal, gas, or oil that is burned to produce heat or power (*Esp*) *combustible*. ~ **oil** (*Esp*) *fueloil [gasoil]*

full command (FULL COMD) *n* The military authority and responsibility of a superior officer to issue orders to subordinates. It covers every aspect of military operations and administration and exists only within national services. (*Esp*) *mando absoluto*

full dress *n* the military uniform worn exclusively on ceremonial occasions (*Esp*) *uniforme de gala*. ► APPENDIX B

full-duplex operation *n* telegraph or signaling circuits arranged for transmission in both directions at the same time (*Esp*) *operación en dúplex*

full-scale *adj* complete in size, not partial or reduced; such as a prototype model or an attack (*Esp*) *a gran escala, completo*

full-width attack mine *n* in land mine warfare, an antitank mine which will attack any point across the full width of the target, that is, belly and tracks (*Esp*) *mina para ataque sobre todo el ancho del vehículo*

fume extractor *n* also **bore evacuator**. A device located on the main gun of a tank barrel, which clears the barrel of gunsmoke so fumes do not enter the crew compartment of the tank. (*Esp*) *extractor de gases/humos del ánima*

fumes *n* [*plural*] any smoke or strong-smelling gas (*Esp*) *humo, gases*. ► also **fume extractor**
► APPENDIX D

fundamentals *n* [*plural*] the basic core theory or rules on which something is based, such as doctrine or ethics (*Esp*) *principios, fundamentos*

funding *n* providing the necessary finance, especially from the government or an organisation, in order to accomplish a task or project (*Esp*) *asignación de fondos*

Funnies *n* [*plural*] [*archaic*] [*informal*] also **Hobart's ~**. The machines invented by Maj. Gen. Hobart specially for Operation Overlord (the D-Day landings), which were successfully used to clear minefields and other beach defences (*Esp*) *Funnies*

furnish *vt* to supply, provide (*Esp*) *proporcionar, proveer*

further *adj* (*Esp*) *más*. **send ~ details** (*Esp*) *envíe más detalles*

further *adv* beyond or in addition to what has already been done (*Esp*) *más aún, adicionalmente, a su vez*

fuse *n* also **fuze** (*BrE*) an igniting or explosive device use to initiate a demolition charge (*Esp*) *detonador*

fuze *n* also **fuse** (*BrE*) **(a)** a device to initiate the firing chain of explosive ammunitions (*Esp*) *espoleta*. **delay ~** one that includes a time delay in the fuze train permitting the penetration of the target before detonation (*Esp*) *espoleta con retardo*. **impact ~** (*Esp*) *espoleta de percusión instantánea*. **proximity ~** (*Esp*) *espoleta de proximidad*. **time ~** (*Esp*) *espoleta a tiempos* **(b)** a continuous train, as of gunpowder, enclosed in a cord for setting off an explosive charge by transmitting fire to it (*Esp*) *mecha* **(c)** an electrical safety device that cuts off the power supply to an appliance (*Esp*) *fusible*

fuze *vt* also **fuse** (*BrE*) to equip with a **fuze** (*Esp*) *espoletar*

G

gain *n* the increase in signal strength that is produced by an amplifier (*Esp*) *ganancia*

gaiters *n* [*plural*] garment worn to cover or protect the ankle and lower leg. (*Esp*) *polainas*

gap *n* **(a)** an area within a minefield or obstacle belt, either natural or manmade, which is free of live mines or obstacles, whose width and direction will allow a friendly force to pass through in tactical formation (*Esp*) *brecha, hueco*. ~ **marker** In land mine warfare, markers used to indicate a minefield gap. Gap markers at the entrance to, and exit from, the gap will be referenced to a landmark or intermediate marker. (*Esp*) *marcador de brecha* **(b)** a discontinuity in the terrain such as a river, ditch or obstacle either natural or man made (*Esp*) *obstáculo (zanja, barranco, río)*

garbage *n* (*AmE*) **rubbish** (*BrE*) unusable or unwanted domestic materials (*Esp*) *basura*

garment *n* an item of clothing (*Esp*) *prenda de vestir*

garrison *n* **(a)** troops assigned to a location for defense, development, operation, and maintenance of facilities (*Esp*) *guarnición* **(b)** a building occupied by troops for defense, development, operation, and maintenance of facilities (*Esp*) *cuartel*. ~ **cap** a peakless cap worn as a part of a military uniform (*Esp*) *gorro cuartelero* ► APPENDIX B. ~ **town** a town in which troops are permanently stationed (*Esp*) *ciudad ocupada, ciudad fortificada*

gas bottle *n* a portable metal container for storing a gas at high pressure, such as butane, propane or oxygen (*Esp*) *botella de gas, bombona*. **butane** ~ ~ (*Esp*) *bombona de butano*. **propane** ~ ~ (*Esp*) *bombona de propano*

gas mask *n* protective face-covering containing an apparatus to filter air, which is used to protect a person from chemical agents and radioactive contamination. ►also **respirator**. (*Esp*) *máscara antigás*

gasoline *n* (*AmE*) ► **petrol**

gauge *n* a device that displays a volume or degree of something, such as litres of diesel or oil pressure (*Esp*) *indicador*. **temperature** ~ (*Esp*) *indicador de temperatura*. **oil** ~ (*Esp*) *indicador de aceite*

GBU *abbr* ► **guided bomb unit**

gear *n* [uncount] **(a)** a set of clothes that is worn for a particular occasion or activity (*Esp*) *ropa, prendas* **(b)** a set of equipment or tools needed for a particular activity (*Esp*) *equipo*

general *n* **(a)** general officer, including various high ranks superior to that of colonel (i.e. OF-6 to OF-10) (*Esp*) *general, oficial general* **(b) (Gen)** a very high officer rank in the Army and US Marine Corps and Air Force above lieutenant general (*Esp*) *general de Ejército*. **brigadier** ~ (*Esp*) *general de brigada*. **lieutenant** ~ (*Esp*) *teniente general*. **major** ~ (*Esp*) *general de división*. ~ **of the Army** (*Esp*) *capitán general*. **one-star** ~ US brigadier general (*Esp*) *general de brigada*. **two-star** ~ US major general (*Esp*) *general de división*. **three-star** ~ US lieutenant general (*Esp*) *teniente general*. **four-star** ~ US general (*Esp*) *general de Ejército*. **five-star** ~ US general or the Army (*Esp*) *capitán general*. ►APPENDIX A **(c)** ~ **support** that support which is given to the supported force as a whole and not to any particular sub-division (*Esp*) *apoyo general*. ~ **support reinforcing artillery** this artillery has the mission of supporting forces as a whole and, on a secondary basis, of providing reinforcing fire for another artillery unit (*Esp*) *artillería de apoyo en acción de conjunto*

general purpose machinegun (GPMG) *n* one that can be used as a **light** or **medium machine gun** (*Esp*) *ametralladora para usos múltiples*. ►also **light support weapon** ►also **machine gun**

geodetic point *n* (*Esp*) *vértice geodésico*

get dressed *vi* put on one's clothes (*Esp*) *vestirse*. I'll go and ~. (*Esp*) *Me voy a vestir*.

GI *abbr* [informl] US serviceman, derived from Government Issue (*Esp*) *soldado estadounidense*

giggle hat *n* (*AusE*) ► **boonie hat**

glacis plate *n* the frontal outer covering of an armored vehicle, which consists of the thickest armor plating, and is sloped to deflect the destructive force of an impact (*Esp*) *plancha del glacis*. ►APPENDIX D ►also **Chobham armor**

glengarry *n* (*BrE*) also ~ **bonnet**, a traditional brimless boat-shaped hat with a cleft down the centre, typically having two ribbons hanging at the back, worn by many Scottish regiments (*Esp*) *gorro escocés de lana, glengarry*

glider *n* a plane without any kind of engine to propel it (*Esp*) *planeador*. **hang** ~ (*Esp*) *ala delta*

glove *n* a pair of ~s. Garment to protect the hand (*Esp*) *guante*

GMT *abbr* ► **Greenwich Mean Time**

goal *n* also **objective**, something you want to achieve, especially when much time and effort will be needed (*Esp*) *objetivo*. **Our military goals were reached two days ago.** (*Esp*) *Nuestros objetivos militares se alcanzaron hace dos días*.

goggles *n* [plural] close-fitting glasses with side shields, for protecting the eyes from dust, water, chemicals, etc. (*Esp*) *gafas protectoras*

gold bar *n* **(a)** (*AmE*) A gold or bronze colored straight line or stripe, on the sleeve or shoulder loop of a uniform indicating the rank of second lieutenant. (*Esp*) *galón [símbolo de los empleos de suboficial en los ejércitos de los EEUU]* **(b)** a metal chevron worn on the shoulder of some military cadets to indicate their academic year (*Esp*) *ángulo*

Gore-Tex ® *n* [uncount] **(a)** (*BrE*) wet weather clothing worn over the combat uniform (*Esp*) *ropa de impermee* **(b)** a brand of waterproof fabric used in outdoor clothing and footwear, which allows the skin to breathe (*Esp*) *Gore-Tex*

government *n* [singular or plural] the group of people that have the power to rule over the citizens and land of a country, state or province within a country (Esp) *gobierno*

GPMG *abbr* ► **general purpose machine gun** ► also **machine gun**

grad *n* also **grade**. A unit of measurement of angles, with 100 grads in a right angle, and 400 grads in a circle (Esp) *grados centesimales*. ► **degree** ► **mil**

grader *n* (Esp) *traílla, niveladora*

grassland *n* a large open area of country covered with grass, especially one used for grazing (Esp) *pradera*

grave *n* a place where a dead person is buried (Esp) *tumba* ► also **cemetery**. **mass** ~ (Esp) *fosa común*

gravel *n* very small stones that are found, for example, in river beds and are used to cover paths (Esp) *grava, gravilla*. ~ **road** (Esp) *carretera de grava*

grazing fire *n* shots following a path close to the surface of the ground, nearly parallel to it, and low enough to strike a standing man (Esp) *fuego rasante*

grease *n* a generic term for any solid that is used to lubricate parts of a machine to reduce **wear** (Esp) *grasa*. ► also **oil** ► also **POL**

Great War, The *n* the First World War, World War I (Esp) *la primera guerra mundial*

Green Beret *n* [informal] a British commando or member of the US Army Special Forces, trained to organise, instruct, supply, and supervise indigenous forces engaged in guerrilla warfare and counterinsurgency operations, and to themselves conduct unconventional warfare (Esp) *boina verde*

Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) *n* the average solar time on the meridian of Greenwich (London, UK), often expressed in the 12-hour time format, e.g. 3 p.m. (Esp) *tiempo medio de Greenwich, GMT* ► **zulu time**, ► also **Coordinated Universal Time**

grenade *n* a small bomb, which can be either thrown by hand or fired from a weapon. **hand** ~ (Esp) *granada de mano*. **rifle** ~ (Esp) *granada de fusil*. ~ **rifle** (Esp) *fusil lanzagranadas*

grid *n* (a) a pattern of straight lines that cross each other to form squares (Esp) *cuadrícula* (b) a system of numbered squares printed on a map so that the exact position of any place can be found (Esp) *cuadrículado*. ~ **convergence** (Esp) *convergencia de meridianos*. ~ **coordinates**, ~ **reference (GRID)** (Esp) *coordenadas cartográficas*

groove *n* a long narrow cut or depression, especially one made to guide motion (Esp) *raya, estría, surco*

grooved *adj* a surface containing one or more narrow cuts (Esp) *estriado*. ► **groove** *n*

ground *n* (a) a piece of land, the soil (Esp) *terreno, suelo*. ~ **clearance** the vertical distance between level ground and the lowest fixed item on a vehicle. (Esp) *distancia al suelo*. ~ **floor** (Esp) *planta calle*. ~ **forces** (Esp) *fuerzas terrestres*. ~ **tactical plan** an airborne or air assault operational plan covering the conduct of operations in the objective area (Esp) *plan táctico terrestre*. ~ **wave** a radio wave that travels along the Earth's surface rather than through the upper atmosphere (Esp) *onda de tierra*. **broken** ~ (Esp) *terreno quebrado o accidentado*. **close** ~ (Esp) *terreno cubierto, terreno con obstáculos*. **dead** ~ (Esp) *zona muerta*. **dry** ~ (Esp) *terreno seco*. **even** ~ (Esp) *terreno llano*. **fire-swept** ~ (Esp) *terreno batido*. **firm** ~ (Esp) *terreno firme, terreno compacto*. **flat** ~ (Esp) *terreno llano*. **hard** ~ (Esp) *terreno duro, terreno firme, terreno compacto*. **high** ~ (Esp) *terreno elevado*. **hilly** ~ (Esp) *terreno con pendientes o accidentado*. **marshy** ~ (Esp) *terreno pantanoso*. **muddy** ~ (Esp) *terreno fangoso o embarrado*. **open** ~ (Esp) *terreno descubierto o despejado*. **proving** ~ (AmE) also **training area** (BrE) (Esp) *campo de maniobras*. **rocky** ~ (Esp) *terreno rocoso*. **rolling** ~ (Esp) *terreno ondulado*. **rough** ~ (Esp) *terreno escarpado*. **rugged** ~ (Esp) *terreno escarpado*. **sandy** ~ (Esp) *terreno arenoso*. **sloping** ~ (Esp) *terreno en pendiente*. **soft** ~ (Esp) *terreno blando*. **solid** ~ (Esp) *terreno compacto, terreno firme*. (b) a metallic connection with the earth to establish ground (or earth) potential (Esp) *toma de tierra*

groundsheet *n* also **groundcloth**. A waterproof sheet for spreading on the ground (Esp) *suelo impermeable [de una tienda de campaña]*

group *n* [Air Force] a division of an air force usually consisting of at least two bases (Esp) *grupo*

group captain *n* (BrE) a senior officer in the Royal Air Force, equivalent in rank to an Army colonel (Esp) *coronel del la Fuerza Aérea británica* ► APPENDIX A

GSW *abbr* **gunshot wound** (Esp) *herida de bala* ► **wound**

guard *n* (1) a person whose duty is to protect a person, place or valuable object by staying near them and watching them (Esp) *guardia*. ~ **dog** a dog that is specially trained and used by soldiers and police officers to guard a place (Esp) *perro guardián* (2) a security element whose primary task is to protect the main force by fighting to gain time, while also observing and reporting information (Esp) *elemento de protección*. ► also **flank** ~ ► also **screen** (3) **to be on** ~ *phr* (a) to be ready to defend (Esp) *prevenido* (b) to be on duty as a member of a guard (Esp) *de guardia* (c) to be in the position of readiness in bayonet fencing and sword fighting (Esp) *en guardia*

guard *vt* to protect a person, place or valuable object by staying near them and watching them (Esp) *vigilar*

guard mount *n* the ceremony of hand over and take over of guard duty (Esp) *relevo de la guardia*

guarded frequencies Frequencies restricted from friendly use or jamming operations. Guarded frequencies are the enemy's communications and electronics systems from which signal intelligence (SIGINT) and ESM information of tactical and technical importance is derived. (Esp) *frecuencias guardadas*

guardhouse *n* a building, tent or similar for soldiers who are guarding the entrance to a military camp, i.e. on guard duty (Esp) *cuartel, cuerpo de guardia*

guardroom *n* a room, especially in a **guardhouse**, for soldiers who are guarding a military camp (Esp) *cuarto de guardia*

guerrilla warfare *n* military and paramilitary tactics and operations conducted in enemy-held or hostile territory by irregular, predominantly indigenous forces (Esp) *guerra de guerrillas*

guided *adj* equipped with a guidance system of remote control (Esp) *guiado*. ~ **missile** *n* an unmanned self-propelled munition, moving above the surface of the earth, whose trajectory or flight path can be altered by an external or internal mechanism (Esp) *misil (guiado)*. ~ **bomb**, also **guided** ~ **unit** (GBU), **smart** ~ *n* an unpowered munition which, after being dropped by the launching aircraft, glides onto a pre-determined target typically using a laser, GPS, television or infra-red guidance system (Esp) *bomba guiada*

guidon *n* (AmE) a swallow-tailed flag carried by the flag-bearer of a company or a platoon for identification (Esp) *guion*

gun *n* (a) firearm (Esp) *arma (de fuego)* (b) cannon [artillery piece] (Esp) *cañón* (c) artillery piece with a relatively long barrel, operating with relatively low angle of fire, and having a high muzzle velocity (Esp) *cañón*. ~ **carriage** a mobile or fixed support for a gun, which sometimes includes elevating and traversing mechanisms (Esp) *afuste, cureña*

gunner *n* the person who is responsible for sighting, aiming and firing a gun (Esp) *tirador, artillero*. **The ~ did not hit his target.** ~'s **station** (Esp) *puesto del tirador*

gunrun *n* (a) a hit-and-run type of attack operation made by a raiding party or combat aircraft (Esp) *golpe de mano, incursión* (b) illegal trading of weapons (Esp) *tráfico de armas*

gunsmith *n* a civilian whose profession it is to service and repair small arms used for hunting and sport (Esp) *armero [civil]*. ► also **armorer**

Gurkha (a) people from Nepal, who claim descent from the Hindu Rajputs and Brahmins of Northern India (Esp) *gurkha* (b) A soldier of the British Army Gurkha Regiment, known for their history of bravery and strength in battle. They were heavily recruited for the service in the colonial army (Esp) *gurkha*

H

HA *abbr* ► **humanitarian assistance**

half- *prefix* also **semi-**, meaning incomplete, usu. 50% of something (Esp) *medio, semi*

half-duplex operation *n* ► **simplex operation**

half-loaded *adj* a belt or magazine inserted, but without the first round in the chamber [*firearms*] (*Esp*) *semicargada*

half-track *n* a WW2 infantry transport vehicle which incorporated the use of propelling dual rear tracks with normal front wheels for steering (*Esp*) *vehículo semioruga*

halt *vi* **(a)** to stop (*Esp*) *detener, parar, detenerse, hacer alto* **(b)** the drill command given to stop marching (*Esp*) *alto*. **Company ~!** (*Esp*) *¡Compañía alto, ar!*

hamlet *n* a small settlement, generally smaller than a village, and strictly (in Britain) one without a church (*Esp*) *aldea*

hammer *n* **(a)** a tool with a heavy metal head and a long handle, used for hitting nails into wood or to make something flat (*Esp*) *martillo* **(b)** part of the firing mechanism of a gun that hits the firing pin in order to activate the propellant charge (*Esp*) *martillo*

hand axe *n* a small axe with a short handle (*Esp*) *hacha de mano*

hand grenade *n* ► **grenade**

hand grip *n* a protruding part on a weapon, motorbike or other type of machinery that enables the user to hold on and control its movement (*Esp*) *agarradera*. ► also **pistol grip**

hand shovel *n* a tool with a rounded blade and a long handle, used for moving soil, sand, etc. (*Esp*) *pala*

hand weapon *n* also **handgun**. A small gun designed to be held in one hand and fired without holding it to the shoulder (*Esp*) *arma corta*

handbook *n* a book giving guidance and instructions, especially for repairing and maintenance of equipment or for reference on a particular field (*Esp*) *manual*

handcuff *vt* to put **handcuffs** on a person (*Esp*) *esposar*

handcuffs *n* [*plural*] a pair of lockable linked metal rings that fit tightly around a prisoner's wrists (*Esp*) *esposas*

handguard *n* the part of a weapon or other machine which prevents the operator from harming his hands while using it (*Esp*) *guardamanos*

hand-held *adj* of equipment that is designed to be small and light enough to be carried and operated by one person (*Esp*) *portátil*

hand-laid *adj* put into place by hand, no mechanical means involved (*Esp*) *tendido a mano* [*minas*]

handle *n* the part of an object which enables it to be carried or operated by hand (*Esp*) *mango, asa, manilla*. **carrying ~** (*Esp*) *asa de transporte*

handle *vt* to operate with the hands (*Esp*) *manejar*. **to ~ a weapon** (*Esp*) *manejar un arma*.

handling *n* a system to handle heavy equipment. (*Esp*) *handling*. **There's a new ~ system.** (*Esp*) *Hay un nuevo sistema handling*.

hand-over line *n* a control feature, preferably following easily defined terrain features, at which responsibility for the conduct of combat operations is passed from one force to another (*Esp*) *línea de cambio de responsabilidad*

hands up! *phr* (*Esp*) *¡manos arriba!*

hand-to-hand combat *n* fighting that occurs when two opposing soldiers face each other, often during the final assault on an enemy position (*Esp*) *combate cuerpo a cuerpo*

harass *vt* **(a)** making repeated small-scale attacks on an enemy (*Esp*) *hostigar*. **The artillery's task was to ~ the enemy's logistic echelon.** (*Esp*) *La misión de la artillería era la de hostigar al escalón logístico enemigo.* **(b)** to torment, bother continually; pester (*Esp*) *acosar*. **Disruption of enemy radio transmissions is a way of harassing the enemy.**

harassing fire (*HF*) *n* fire designed to disturb the rest of the enemy troops, to curtail movement, and, by threat of losses, to lower morale (*Esp*) *fuego de hostigamiento*

hard-wired *adj* physically connected by an electric cable or a circuit board, for either power supply or transmission of signals, especially that which is not easily changed (*Esp*) *cableado*. ~ **IED** (*Esp*) *artefacto explosivo improvisado con cable detonante*. ► also **wireless** ► also **cordless**

harness assembly *n* (*AmE*) The system of belts, pouches, and straps worn by a soldier as part of his combat equipment. ► also **webbing, yoke** (*Esp*) *correa*

hasty *adj* quick, with very little time for preparation (*Esp*) *rápido, sobre la marcha*. ~ **attack** *n* In land operations, an attack in which preparation time is traded for speed in order to exploit an opportunity. Result of a meeting engagement launched with the forces at hand and with minimum preparation to destroy the enemy before he is able to concentrate or establish a defense. (*Esp*) *ataque sobre la marcha*. ~ **breaching** *n* rapid creation of a route through a minefield, barrier or fortification by any expedient method (*Esp*) *apertura de brechas sobre la marcha* ► also **breach, breaching charge**. ~ **crossing** *n* a crossing of a river or stream using crossing means at hand or readily available without pausing to make elaborate preparations (*Esp*) *paso sobre la marcha*. ~ **demolition charge** *n* (*Esp*) *carga explosiva improvisada*. ~ **reconnaissance** *n* (*Esp*) *reconocimiento sobre la marcha*

hat *n* **(a)** head dress, shaped covering for the head worn for warmth, as a fashion item, or as a part of a uniform (*Esp*) *prenda de cabeza* **(b)** the type of headgear with a brim (*Esp*) *sombrero*

hatch *n* an opening, in the deck through which the crew can pass; an opening that serves as a doorway (*Esp*) *escotilla*

hatchet *n* a small axe with a short handle (*Esp*) *hacha de mano, azuela*

hazard *n* any real or potential **danger** that can cause injury, illness, or death of personnel, or damage to or loss of equipment or property (*Esp*) *peligro, riesgo*

hazardous *adj* **dangerous** (*Esp*) *peligroso* ► **hazard**

HE *abbr* ► **high explosive** (*Esp*) *[municiones] rompedor*

headgear *n* any covering for the head, including those worn for warmth, as fashion items, as part of a uniform or for protection (*Esp*) *prenda de cabeza*. **protective** ~ (*Esp*) *casco*

heading *n* a direction or bearing (*Esp*) *rumbo, dirección*. **He crawled on a ~ of 90 degrees until he came to the track.**

headquarter company (HQ Coy) *n* a company-sized commanding unit that includes many people and professions (*Esp*) *compañía de plana mayor, compañía de cuartel general*. [*compare with* **company headquarters**]

headquarters (HQ) *n* **(a)** [+ *singular verb*] the place occupied by a commander and the commander's staff (*Esp*) *cuartel general*. **police** ~ **(PHQ)** (*Esp*) *cuartel general de la policía* **(b)** [+ *plural verb*] a military unit consisting of the commander, his staff and other assistants (*Esp*) *cuartel general, plana mayor*. **company** ~ (*Esp*) *plana mayor de compañía* [*compare with* **headquarter company**]. **brigade** ~ **(BDE HQ)** (*Esp*) *cuartel general de brigada*

headscarf *n* [*plural headscarves or headscarfs*] a piece of fabric covering a woman's head, often folded and tied (*Esp*) *pañuelo*

HEAT *abbr adj* High Explosive Anti Tank. An explosive designed around a cone with unusual penetrating ability. Also called shaped or hollow charge explosive. Normally used on missiles or rockets. (*Esp*) *(proyectil) rompedor contracarro, carga hueca*. ► also **high explosive**

heavy *adj* of great weight to move or lift (*Esp*) *pesado*. ~ **truck** (*Esp*) *camión pesado*

heavy machine gun (HMG) *n* a **machine gun** that has a high calibre and is often mounted on a vehicle (*Esp*) *ametralladora de gran calibre, ametralladora pesada*. ► also **machine gun**

helicopter (hel) *n* [*plural (helos)*] a rotary-wing aircraft (*Esp*) *helicóptero*. ~ **gunship, attack** ~ a highly manoeuvrable, heavily armed helicopter used in air-to-air and air-to-surface combat (*Esp*) *helicóptero de ataque*

helipad *n* an area of ground or a platform prepared for the landing and lifting off of helicopters (*Esp*) *pista de helicóptero, plataforma de helicóptero*

heliport *n* ground and facilities prepared for use of helicopters (*Esp*) *heliuerto*

Hellfire *n* ® one of the US Army's most lethal anti-tank HEAT missiles, which is often launched from helicopters (*Esp*) *Hellfire*

helmet *n* a hard or padded protective hat, various types of which are worn by soldiers, police officers, motorcyclists, sports players, and others (*Esp*) *casco*. ~ **cover** (*Esp*) *funda del casco*

helos *abbr* ► **helicopter**

hertz (Hz) *n* The standard term used to state frequency. One hertz is the same as one cycle per second. (Esp) *hertzio*

H-hour *n* the specific time at which an operation or exercise commences, or is due to commence (Esp) *hora H*

hierarchical *adj* arranged in order of ranks, forming a pyramidal structure (Esp) *jerarquizado, jerárquico*

hierarchy *n* a system or organization in which people or groups are ranked one above the other according to status or authority (Esp) *jerarquía*

high explosive (HE) *n* explosive which is capable of detonation under the normal conditions of use, normally used in bombs, grenades and shells (Esp) *(explosivo) rompedor*. ► **HEAT**

highway (HWY) *n* (AmE) a main road, especially one connecting major towns or cities (Esp) *carretera principal (se usa con frecuencia para referirse a autopistas)*. **a six-lane** ~ (Esp) *un autopista de 6 carriles*. **divided** ~, **dual** ~ (Esp) *autopista*

hijab *n* either the headscarf or the outer clothing in general traditionally worn by Muslim women in public places, leaving only the face and hands exposed (Esp) *hiyab*

hill *n* a naturally raised area of land, though not as high or rocky as a mountain (Esp) *colina, loma*. **They were climbing a steep** ~. (Esp) *Estaban subiendo una colina/loma empinada*. **The platoon was ordered to occupy** ~ **355**. (Esp) *Se ordenó a la sección que ocupara la cota 355*. **rolling hills** (Esp) *colinas ondulantes*

hillock *n* a small hill or raised area of land (Esp) *altozano, montículo*

hilltop *n* the summit of a hill (Esp) *cima, cota*

HIMAD *abbr* high to medium-altitude air defence

hit and run *n* (a) also ~ **attack**. A military attack that happens quickly with a planned withdrawal (Esp) *golpe de mano*. ► **raid** (b) when an automobile driver knowingly hits a pedestrian and continues on his way.

HME *abbr* **home-made explosive** is an explosive manufactured by a **bomb maker** and not taken from military munitions or a commercial device (Esp) *explosivo artesanal*

HMG *abbr* ► **heavy machine gun** ► also **machine gun**

HMMWV *abbr* High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle, Humvee, Hummer (Esp) *Hummer*

hold *v* (a) to maintain or retain possession by force of a position or an area (Esp) *sostener (una posición)* (b) in an attack, to exert sufficient pressure to prevent movement or re-disposition of enemy forces (Esp) *contener, detener*

hollow charge *adj* (Esp) *de carga hueca*. ► **HEAT**

hollow charge *n* a shaped charge producing a deep cylindrical hole of a relatively small diameter in the direction of its axis of rotation (Esp) *carga hueca*

holster *n* a holder for carrying a handgun or other firearm, typically made of leather and worn on a belt or under the arm (Esp) *pistolera, funda de la pistola*

home in *vi* of a missile or any mobile tracking system; to lock on an electromagnetic emission, such as that of a target, and head towards it (Esp) *localizar y dirigirse hacia*. **After launching a guided missile, the pilot can** ~ ~ **on the target**. (Esp) *Después de lanzar un misil dirigido, el piloto puede localizar el blanco y dirigir el misil hacia el*.

home-made explosive (HME) *n* an explosive manufactured by a **bomb maker** and not taken from military munitions or a commercial device (Esp) *explosivo artesanal*

homing signal *n* providing a radio signal for direction finding and navigation purposes (Esp) *guía mediante radiofaro*

honorable discharge *n* discharge given to a soldier whose service has been honest and faithful and has received a good efficiency rating (Esp) *licencia meritória*

hooch *n* [informal] (AmE) **hootchie** (AusE) an improvised shelter, using a tarpaulin or similar, often providing some protection from enemy fire (Esp) *refugio, hoyo de protección* ► also **basha**

horizontal action mine *n* a mine designed to produce a destructive effect to one target in a fixed direction approximately parallel to the ground (one dimensional direction) (Esp) *mina de acción horizontal*. ► also **aimed controlled effect mine** ► also **off-route mine**

horizontal polarization *n* transmission of radio waves in such a way that the electric lines of force are horizontal, parallel to the Earth's surface (Esp) *polarización horizontal*

horsepower *n* a unit of power equivalent to 550 foot pounds per second (*Esp*) *caballo de potencia*. **MBT's need 1500 ~ to move 70 tons at 70 kph.**

hose *n* a kind of flexible tube (*Esp*) *manguito, manguera*. ~ **pipe** (*Esp*) *manguera*

host nation *n* a nation which receives the forces and/or supplies of allied or coalition nations and/or NATO organizations to be located on, to operate in, or to transit through its territory (*Esp*) *nación anfitriona*

host nation *n* the foreign country being visited, usu. in the context of an international event (*Esp*) *país anfitrión, nación anfitrión* ► also **embassy**. ~ **support** (*Esp*) *apoyo de nación anfitrión*

hostage *n* a person held against their will so that certain demands will be kept (*Esp*) *rehén*

hostile *adj* of an individual, a group of individuals, or a nation which is antagonistic or opposes policies and actions of a country (*Esp*) *hostil*. ~ **force** (*Esp*) *fuerza enemiga*

housedall *n* (*BrE*) also **housewife**. A colloquial term for a sewing kit, small case for needles, thread, buttons and other small sewing items (*Esp*) *costurero*

housewife *n* (*BrE*) ► **housedall**

howitzer *n* a cannon which combines certain characteristics of guns and mortars. It delivers projectiles with medium velocities, either by low or high trajectories. (*Esp*) *obús*

HQ *abbr* ► **headquarters**

hull *n* the hollow, bottom section of an armored vehicle or boat (*Esp*) *barcaza, casco*. ~ **bow** the front part of an armored vehicle ► **APPENDIX D**. ~ **defilade**, ~ **down position** only the tank turret is visible from the enemy position (*Esp*) *desenfilada de casco*

hull-down *adj* *adv* with only the turret visible over bushes, undulating terrain, etc. [*tanks*] (*Esp*) *con el casco escondido* ► also **hull**

human intelligence (HUMINT) *n* information collected and provided by human sources (*Esp*) *inteligencia humana*. ► also **intelligence**

humanitarian assistance (HA) *n* programs to supplement or complement the efforts of a host nation's civil authorities and agencies in providing relief or reducing the results of major disasters or extreme endemic conditions such as widespread disease or hunger (*Esp*) *asistencia humanitaria, ayuda humanitaria*

HUMINT *abbr* ► **human intelligence**

hunting rifle *n* a firearm with a long barrel and fired from the shoulder that is designed for killing wild animals (*Esp*) *escopeta de caza*

hut *n* a small building of simple construction, usu. with only one or two rooms (*Esp*) *caseta*

hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂) *n* a strong oxidiser, which is used as bleach, as a disinfectant and even a rocket propellant, and when diluted to 3% in water it is used as an antiseptic to clean wounds (*Esp*) *agua oxigenada*

hyperthermia *n* the condition of elevated body temperature, when the body produces or absorbs more heat than it can dissipate. A body temperature of over 40°C can result in disability or death. Symptoms include hot, dry skin, which may be red, and in severe cases mental confusion, followed by unconsciousness (*Esp*) *hipertermia*

hypothermia *n* a condition caused by over exposure to low temperatures resulting in a drop in core body temperature below the minimum required for normal metabolism, around 35°C. Characteristic symptoms are severe shivering and pale skin, followed by blue lips, slow movement and mental confusion (*Esp*) *hipotermia*

ICBM *abbr* intercontinental ballistic missile (*Esp*) *misil balístico intercontinental*

ID *abbr* (a) *n* identity (*Esp*) *identidad*. ~ **card** (*Esp*) *tarjeta de identificación, TIP* (b) ► **identification** (c) *v* to identify (*Esp*) *identificar*

identification (ID) *n* (a) the indication by any act or means of your own friendly character or individuality (*Esp*) *identificación* (b) the act of indentifying (*Esp*) *identificación*. ~ **friend or foe (IFF)** (*Esp*) *identificación amigo/enemigo*. **positive** ~ **(PID)** (*Esp*) *identificación positiva*

identity discs *n* (*BrE*) the identification metal plates worn around the neck by soldiers in campaign or exercises, showing name, ID number and blood type (*Esp*) *chapa de identificación*

idler *n* an idle wheel or gear; for transmitting power and motion between a driving and a driven part, either by friction or by means of teeth (*Esp*) *rueda tensora*. ► **APPENDIX D**

IED *abbr* ► **improvised explosive device**

IFAK *abbr* **individual first aid kit**, which is used for immediate battlefield treatment of wounds and injuries (*Esp*) *botiquín individual de primeros auxilios*

IFF *abbr* ► **identification friend or foe**

IFOR *abbr* implementation force (*Esp*) *fuerza de implementación*

IFV *abbr* **infantry fighting vehicle**. An armored vehicle designed to carry soldiers, which can participate in a fire fight by using a gun on its turret or by firing through the small ports in the sides of the vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo de combate de infantería*. ► also **APC**

igniter *n* a device designed to produce a flame or a flash which is used to initiate an explosive train (*Esp*) *encendedor*

ILBE *abbr* (*AmE*) **(a)** Improved Load Bearing Equipment. Currently used by the US Marine Corps. (*Esp*) *porta equipo: correa de instrucción y mochila del tipo del "PECO" español*. ► also **PLCE, MOLLE, ALICE** **(b)** [*infrm*] rucksack of the ILBE system (*Esp*) *mochila ILBE*

imagery intelligence (IMINT) *n* intelligence from photography, infrared sensors, lasers, electro-optics, and radar sensors, such as synthetic aperture radar from which images of objects are reproduced optically or electronically on film, electronic display devices, or other media (*Esp*) *inteligencia de la imagen*. ► also **intelligence**

IMINT *abbr* ► **imagery intelligence**

imitative electronic deception *adj* [*comms*] ► **deception**

impedance *n* the total opposition offered by a circuit or component to the flow of alternating current (*Esp*) *impedancia*

improve *v* to make or become better (*Esp*) *mejorar*. **We have to ~ road and rail links.**

improvised *adj* something that is made by using whatever is available because you do not have the equipment or materials you need (*Esp*) *improvisado*. ~ **explosive device (IED)** *n* A device placed or fabricated in an improvised manner incorporating destructive, lethal, noxious, pyrotechnic or incendiary chemicals, designed to destroy, maim, distract or harass. It may incorporate military stores, but is normally devised from non-military components. (*Esp*) *aparato explosivo improvisado*. ~ **nuclear device (IND)** (*Esp*) *dispositivo nuclear improvisado*. ► also **CWIED** ► also **PBIED** ► also **RCIED** ► also **VBIED** ► also **VOID**

in charge (IC) *phr* [+ *ger.*] in control or with overall responsibility (*Esp*) *estar encargado de*. **He is ~ of moving the supplies.** (*Esp*) *Está encargado de mover los suministros*.

incendiary *adj* of a compound that generates sufficient heat to cause the target to catch fire or causes melting or burning of equipment (*Esp*) *incendiario*. ~ **device** (*Esp*) *aparato incendiario*

incentive *n* **(a)** something that encourages and motivates somebody to do a specific action (*Esp*) *incentivo* **(b)** [*AGM*] the system of withdrawal of certain privileges, usually weekend **leave**, as a result of failure to reach the minimum academic achievements required (*Esp*) *incentivo*

inch (**in**, " ") *n* a unit of length, where twelve inches is equal to one foot, and one inch is equal to 2.54 centimetres (*Esp*) *pulgada [medida]*. ► also **foot**

incident *n* an unscheduled event, especially one resulting in an interruption, crisis or injury (*Esp*) *incidente*. ~ **report (IR)** (*Esp*) *informe de incidente*. **serious ~ report (SIR)** (*Esp*) *informe de incidente grave*

incoming *n* [*interjection*] enemy fire being received (*Esp*) *fuego entrante*. ► also **fire**

IND *abbr* ► **improvised nuclear device**

in-depth defense *n* A choice of defensive maneuver that forces the enemy to attack through a series of mutually supporting friendly positions, causing the enemy's mass to be expended and his supporting forces to be unable to focus. This choice of maneuver reduces the risk of an enemy penetration and allows the enemy to gain terrain to wear him down and overextend his ability to sustain his attack. In-depth defense usually culminates in a friendly

counterattack to complete the destruction of the enemy and regain lost terrain. (*Esp*) *defensa en profundidad*

indirect *adj* not happening or being caused in the straightest route or quickest way, opposite of direct (*Esp*) *indirecto*. ► also **indirect fire**

indirect fire (IDF) *n* fire delivered at a target which cannot be seen by the aimer (*Esp*) *fuego indirecto*. ► also **fire** *n*

individual *n* [*frm*] a **person** (*Esp*) *persona, individuo*. ~ **first aid kit** ► **IFAK**. ~ **weapon (IW)** [*count*] the standard weapon issued to a soldier, often an assault rifle or pistol (*Esp*) *arma personal*

industrial facility *n* a factory, **chemical** plant, etc. and auxiliary buildings (*Esp*) *instalación industrial*

inert filling *n* a prepared non-explosive filling of the same weight as the explosive filling (*Esp*) *relleno inerte*

inert mine *n* in land mine warfare, a non-explosive filled replica of a mine (*Esp*) *mina inerte*

infantry fighting vehicle *n* ► **IFV**

infiltrate (INFIL) *vt* to move through or into an area or territory occupied by either friendly or enemy troops or organizations. The movement is made, either by small groups or by individuals, at extended or irregular intervals. When used in connection with the enemy, it infers that contact is avoided. (*Esp*) *infiltrar*

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infirmary *n* a place in a large institution such as a military base or a prison for the care of those who are ill (*Esp*) *enfermería*

information (info) *n* Intelligence or knowledge capable of being represented in forms suitable for communication, storage or processing. In the context of military **intelligence operations**, it is any data collected before processing and production of reports (*Esp*) *información*. ~ **operation (IO)** (*Esp*) *operación de información*. ~ **requirements (IR)** (*Esp*) *necesidades de información*. ~ **technology (IT)** the study or use of systems (especially telecommunications and computers) for storing, retrieving, and sending information (*Esp*) *informática, tecnología de la información*. **communication and ~ technology (CIT)** (*Esp*) *tecnologías de la información y comunicación (TIC)*

INFOSEC *abbr* electronic information security. The application of security measures to protect information processed, stored or transmitted in communication, information and other electronic systems against loss of confidentiality, integrity or availability, whether accidental or intentional. (*Esp*) *seguridad de la información*

infrared (ir) *n* also ~ **radiation**, electromagnetic radiation with a longer wavelength than the red end of the visible light spectrum, but shorter than radio waves, i.e. 800 nm to 1 mm (*Esp*) *infrarojo*. ~ **motion sensor** a movement detector that uses electromagnetic radiation at wavelengths from 800 nm to 1 mm (*Esp*) *sensor infrarrojo de movimiento*. ~ **strobe (IR STROBE)** (*Esp*) *luz infrarroja estroboscópica, luz estroboscópica de IR*. **passive ~ (PIR)** only infrared light radiated by objects, which is invisible to the human eye (*Esp*) *infrarrojo pasivo*

infrastructure *n* a term generally applicable to all fixed and permanent installations and facilities for the support and control of military forces (*Esp*) *infraestructura* (**a**) the basic, underlying framework or features of something (*Esp*) *infraestructura* (**b**) in economics, basic resources, communications, industries, and so forth, on which others depend (**c**) in insurgency, the organization (usually hidden) of an insurgent leadership (*Esp*) *infraestructura*

initiation *n* the action of a device used as the first element of an explosive train which, upon receipt of the proper impulse, causes the detonation or burning of an explosive item (*Esp*) *iniciación*

initiative *n* to have the ability to decide what to do next and to do it (*Esp*) *iniciativa*. **When you have freedom of action, you have ~.** (*Esp*) *Cuando tienes libertad de acción, tienes iniciativa*. **to take ~** (*Esp*) *tener la iniciativa*

injure *v* to do or cause harm to a person, to wound (*Esp*) *herir, lesionar*. **He was injured by an enemy hand grenade but soon recovered after a week in the hospital.**

input *n* what is put in, taken in, or operated on by any process or system (*Esp*) *entrada (datos, material)*

insect repellent *n* a substance or device that keeps insects away (*Esp*) *repelente de insectos*

insertion *n* the act or process of inserting (*Esp*) *inserción*. **Special forces will be inserted into the area by helicopter.**

insignia of branch *n* also **branch insignia** and **corps insignia**. A badge or distinguishing mark worn on the uniform to indicate a unit, arm or corps (*Esp*) *distintivos de arma o cuerpo*.
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insignia of grade *n* (*AmE*) badge or distinguishing mark of military rank (*Esp*) *divisas (de empleo o graduación militar)*. ► APPENDIX B ► also **badge of rank** ► also **rank insignia**

inspect *vt* **(a)** to look closely at (*Esp*) *revisar, examinar* **(b)** to examine formally or officially (*Esp*) *inspeccionar* **(c)** to visually examine troops on parade (*Esp*) *pasar revista a*

inspection *n* **(a)** a formal or official examination of something (*Esp*) *inspección* **(b)** a visual, formal examination of troops on parade (*Esp*) *revista*

insulator *n* a device or material that has a high electrical resistance (*Esp*) *aislante*

insurgency *n* an organized movement aimed at the overthrow of a constituted government through the use of subversion and armed conflict (*Esp*) *insurgencia*

insurgent (INS) *n* a rebel, and member of the **insurgency** (*Esp*) *insurgente*

integrated services digital network (ISDN) *n* an integrated digital network in which the same digital switches and digital paths are used to establish connections for different services, such as telephony or data (*Esp*) *red digital de servicios integrados*

intelligence *n* the product resulting from the collection, evaluation, analysis, integration, and interpretation of all available information concerning an enemy force, foreign nations, or areas of operations and which is immediately or potentially significant to military planning and operations. (*Esp*) *inteligencia*. **S-2 is the section of the staff in charge of ~.** (*Esp*) *S-2 es la sección del estado mayor que se encarga de la inteligencia*. ~ **asset** any kind of resource, including human relationships, available to an intelligence organisation (*Esp*) *medio de inteligencia*. ~ **collection plan** (*Esp*) *plan de recogida de inteligencia*. ~ **cycle** the process from planning and information gathering, to processing and production of intelligence reports (*Esp*) *ciclo de inteligencia*. ~ **preparation of the battlefield (IPB)** the methodology employed to reduce uncertainties concerning the enemy, the environment, and terrain for all types of operations (*Esp*) *INTE (integración terreno enemigo)*. ~ **report (INTREP)** a standardised report about important intelligence, usually with only one topic per report, which can be prepared and disseminated at any time (*Esp*) *informe de inteligencia*. ~ **summary (INTSUM)** a standardised report providing a **summary** of an intelligence situation over a particular period of time, including enemy activity and estimated capability, and the latest information collections, analysis and intelligence produced (*Esp*) *resumen de información*. **basic** ~ that which may be used as reference material in the planning of operations and in evaluating subsequent information (*Esp*) *inteligencia básica*. **combat** ~ information about the enemy, weather and terrain required to plan and conduct combat operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia para el combate*. **daily ~ summary (DISUM)** a standardised report prepared at a **joint force** headquarters that provides higher, lateral, and subordinate **headquarters** with a **summary** of all significant intelligence produced during the previous 24-hour period (*Esp*) *resumen diario de inteligencia*. **electronic ~ (ELINT)** technical intelligence derived from foreign non-communications electromagnetic radiations, excluding nuclear detonations and radioactive sources (*Esp*) *inteligencia electrónica*. **human ~ (HUMINT)** information collected and provided by human sources (*Esp*) *inteligencia humana*. **imagery ~ (IMINT)** intelligence from photography, infrared sensors, lasers, electro-optics, and radar sensors, such as synthetic aperture radar from which images of objects are reproduced optically or electronically on film, electronic display devices, or other media (*Esp*) *inteligencia de la imagen*. **operational ~ (OPINT)** intelligence required for planning and conducting operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia operacional*. **scientific and technical** ~ the product resulting from the collection, evaluation, analysis, and interpretation of foreign

scientific and technical information, which covers foreign developments, scientific and technical characteristics, capabilities, limitations, and materiel production (*Esp*) *inteligencia científica y técnica*. **signals** ~ (**SIGINT**) the category of intelligence comprising all communications intelligence, electronics intelligence, and foreign instrumentation signals intelligence, however transmitted (*Esp*) *inteligencia de la señal, inteligencia de transmisiones*. **strategic** ~ that which is required to determine military strategy, policy, plans, and operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia estratégica*. **tactical** ~ that which is required to plan and conduct tactical operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia táctica*. **technical** ~ (**TECHINT**) that derived from the discovery of new enemy materiel on the battlefield and its assessment, eventually leading to the production of a countermeasure to neutralize the enemy's technological advantage (*Esp*) *inteligencia técnica*

intensity (I) *n* the strength of something, such as electrical current (*Esp*) *intensidad*

interception *n* the art of searching for and listening to and/or recording communications and/or electronic transmissions for the purpose of obtaining intelligence (*Esp*) *intercepción*

interdiction *n* an action to divert, disrupt, delay, or destroy the enemy's surface military potential before it can be used effectively against friendly forces (*Esp*) *interdicción*. **air** ~ (*Esp*) *interdicción aérea*

interference *n* any electrical disturbance which causes undesirable responses in electronic equipment (*Esp*) *interferencia*

intermediate marker *n* in land mine warfare a marker, natural, artificial or specially installed, which is used as a point of reference between the landmark and the minefield (*Esp*) *marca intermedia*

intermediate objective *n* in land warfare, an area or feature between the line of departure and an objective which must be seized and/or held (*Esp*) *objetivo intermedio*

intermittent *adj* not continuous or steady (*Esp*) *intermitente*. ~ **stream** (*Esp*) *torrente*

interoperability *n* ability to work together as a consequence of commonality and standardization of equipment, training, language, etc. (*Esp*) *interoperabilidad*

interpreter (TERP) *n* a professional whose work involves simultaneous translation of spoken language (*Esp*) *intérprete*

intersection *n* a point at which two or more things intersect, especially a road junction (*Esp*) *cruce, intersección*. **There is a windmill at the ~ with Brompton Road.**

INTREP *abbr* ► **intelligence report**

intruder *n* a person who intentionally enters a building or restricted area without permission, especially with criminal intent (*Esp*) *intruso*

intrusion *n* the intentional insertion of electromagnetic energy into transmission paths in any manner with the objective of deceiving operators or of causing confusion (*Esp*) *intrusión*

INTSUM *abbr* ► **intelligence summary**

invade *vt* to enter a country by force with an army or military forces (*Esp*) *invadir*

inventory *n* a complete list of items such as property, goods in stock, or the contents of a building (*Esp*) *inventario*. ~ **management** (*Esp*) *gestión de inventario*

IO *abbr* **information operation** (*Esp*) *operación de información* ► **information**

IPB *abbr* ► **intelligence preparation of the battlefield**

IR *abbr* **(a) incident report** (*Esp*) *informe de incidente*. ► also **incident (b) ► infrared** (*Esp*) *infrarrojo* **(c) information requirements** (*Esp*) *necesidades de información*. ► also **information**

IRBM *abbr* intermediate-range ballistic missile (*Esp*) *misil balístico de alcance intermedio*. ► also **missile**

irregular outer edge *n* In land mine warfare, short mine rows or strips laid in an irregular manner in front of a minefield facing the enemy, to deceive the enemy as to the type or extent of the minefield. Generally, the irregular outer edge will only be used in minefields with buried mines. (*Esp*) *borde exterior irregular*

ISDN *abbr* ► **Integrated Services Digital Network**

isolate *vt* a tactical task given to a unit to physically and psychologically seal off an enemy unit from their sources of support, to deny them freedom of movement, and to prevent them from having contact with other enemy forces (*Esp*) *aislar*

ISTAR *abbr intelligence, surveillance, target acquisition and reconnaissance (Esp) inteligencia, vigilancia, adquisición de objetivos y reconocimiento*
item *n* an individual article or unit, especially one that is part of a list, collection or set (*Esp*) *artículo, partida*

J

jack *n* a small mechanical device used to lift one side of a vehicle, usu. to change a wheel (*Esp*) *gato*

jack knife *n* (*AmE*) a large knife with a folding blade (*Esp*) *navaja*. ► also **clasp knife**

jacket *n* (**a**) an outer garment that covers the upper part of the body and keeps it warm and dry (*Esp*) *chaqueta* (**b**) also **tunic** (*BrE*), the upper, outer garment of a military dress or service uniform (*Esp*) *guerrera*. ► also **combat ~**, **fatigue ~**, **flak ~**

jam *n* a blockage in a mechanism, such as a rifle, which prevents it from operating (*Esp*) *atasco, encasquillamiento*

jam *v* (**a**) *vi* to stick and become impossible to operate, such as a rifle firing mechanism (*Esp*) *atascar, encasquillarse* (**b**) *vt* to cause deliberate interference in order to prevent reception of signals in a specific frequency band (*Esp*) *perturbar*

jamming *n* deliberate interference intended to prevent reception of signals in a specific frequency band (*Esp*) *perturbación*

jar *vi* also **jolt**. to shake unpleasantly, or move abruptly (*Esp*) *sacudir*. **Soldiers in the old WW1 tanks experienced a lot of jarring because of the early tank's poor suspension system.**

jersey *n* also ~ **pullover**. A knitted garment with long sleeves, worn over the upper body. ► also **sweater, pullover, jumper** (*Esp*) *jersey*

JFC *abbr* ► **Joint Force Commander**

JFLCC *abbr* Joint Force Land Component Commander (*Esp*) *jefe del componente terrestre de la fuerza conjunta*. ► **land component commander** ► **joint force commander**

job description *n* list of tasks and authorizations corresponding to a job or position (*Esp*) *descripción del puesto de trabajo*

JOC *abbr* **joint operations centre** (*Esp*) *centro de operaciones conjuntas*. ► **joint**

joint *n* (**a**) activities, operations, and organizations in which elements of more than one service of the same nation participate (*Esp*) *conjunto*. ~ **force** a general term applied to a force composed of significant elements, assigned or attached, of two or more military departments, operating under a single **joint force commander** (*Esp*) *fuerza conjunta*. ~ **Force Commander (JFC)** a general term applied to a combatant commander, subunified commander, or joint task force commander authorized to exercise combatant command (command authority) or operational control over a joint force (*Esp*) *jefe de la fuerza conjunta*. ~ **operations** a general term to describe military actions conducted by joint forces, or by service forces in relationships (*Esp*) *operaciones conjuntas*. ~ **operations centre (JOC)** (*Esp*) *centro de operaciones conjuntas*. ~ **staff** a staff formed of two or more services of the same country (*Esp*) *estado mayor conjunto*. ~ **task force** a temporary grouping of units of two or more services under a single commander, organized for the purpose of engaging in an operation (*Esp*) *fuerza operativa conjunta* (**b**) ► **crack**

jolt *n vi* ► **jar**

judge *n* a person appointed to decide cases in a court of law, and to determine punishments from crimes committed (*Esp*) *juez*

judicious *adj* approval of an action or a decision because it shows good judgement and sense (*Esp*) *acertado, sensato*. **The supreme commander authorized the ~ use of troops in that country.** (*Esp*) *El mando supremo autorizó un acertado uso de tropas en aquel país.*

jumper *n* (*BrE*) a knitted garment with long sleeves, worn over the upper body ► also **sweater, pullover, jersey** (*Esp*) *jersey*

jumpmaster *n* also **dispatcher**. The person who stands by the door of a plane during a parachute jump to ensure safety, speed, and correct timing (*Esp*) *jefe de salto*

jumpwings *n* [plural] parachutist badge (*Esp*) *distintivo de paracaidista*
junction (junc) *n* a point where two or more things are joined (*Esp*) *confluencia, empalme, unión*. **the ~ of the two rivers** (*Esp*) *la confluencia de dos ríos*
junior officer *n* a lieutenant or a captain (*Esp*) *oficial subalterno*

K

k *abbr* [informal] (*AmE*) kilometer (*BrE*) kilometre [usu. only spoken] (*Esp*) *kilómetro*. **It's about seven k to the next village.** (*Esp*) *Hay unos siete kilómetros hasta el próximo pueblo.*
kayak *n* a type of canoe invented by the Inuits, which has a flexible enclosure around the waist of the occupant, and is powered by a paddle (*Esp*) *kayak*
keep open *vt* (*Esp*) *mantener abierto*
keffiyeh *n* ► **shemagh**
Kevlar *n* ® (a) [uncount] a bullet and shrapnel resistant material consisting of many layers of a special fabric, used in flak jackets, combat helmets, etc. (*Esp*) *Kevlar* (b) [count] [informal] a combat helmet that is made from Kevlar (*Esp*) *casco de Kevlar*
key *n* ► **legend**
key *n* a small piece of metal with a unique shape that is inserted into a **lock** to open a door or **padlock** (*Esp*) *llave*. **car ~** (*Esp*) *llave de coche*
key terrain *n* a position or area that affords a marked advantage to either combatant, such as high ground for a good observation post (*Esp*) *terreno clave*. ► also **vital ground**
khaki (a) *adj* dull brownish-yellow colour, used in military clothing (*Esp*) *caqui* (b) *n* strong cotton fabric of this colour (*Esp*) *tela de color caqui*
KIA *abbr* ► **killed in action**
kidnap *n* (*Esp*) *secuestro*. ► **kidnap** *vt*
kidnap *vt* to unlawfully detain and imprison someone against their will, usually in order to demand money in exchange for their release (*Esp*) *secuestrar*
killed in action (KIA) *adj* a casualty category applicable to a hostile casualty, other than the victim of a terrorist activity, who is killed outright or who dies as a result of wounds or other injuries before reaching a medical treatment facility (*Esp*) *muerto en combate*. **enemy ~ (EKIA)** (*Esp*) *enemigo muerto en combate*
kinetic energy projectile *n* normally a fin stabilized heavy metal projectile fired from a smooth bore gun at a high velocity which can penetrate armor (*Esp*) *proyectil perforante de energía cinética*. ► also **APFS projectile**. ► also **APFSDS projectile**. ► also **bash through**. ► also **chemical energy projectile**
kit *n* [uncount] clothing or any other set of items, used for a specific activity such as a sport (*Esp*) *equipo*. **pieces of ~** [count] any weapons or items which a soldier may use on a mission (*Esp*) *equipo*. **The ~ ~ ~ used on the raid included night vision devices, GPS and individual radios.**
kitchen police *n* personnel assigned to perform non-cook duties in the kitchen or mess (*Esp*) *servicio de cocina*
knife *n* a cutting tool with a handle and a blade (*Esp*) *cuchillo*. **~ rest** (*Esp*) *caballo de frisa*. **~ wound**, also **stab wound** (*Esp*) *herida de arma blanca*. ► also **clasp knife** ► also **jack knife**

L

ladder *n* a piece of equipment for climbing up a wall, the side of a building etc. consisting of two long pieces of rope, wood or metal, joined together by numerous horizontal sections to support the feet (*Esp*) *escalera*. **rope ~** (*Esp*) *escalera de cuerda*
laid life *n* in land mine warfare, the period of time throughout which the fuzing system of a mine remains active (*Esp*) *vida activa (minas)*

lake *n* a large area of water surrounded by land (*Esp*) *lago*. **As the company was very tired they all went to the ~.** ►also **pond** ►also **reservoir**

lance corporal *n* enlisted rank in the British Army and in the US Marine Corps below corporal and above private or private first class (*Esp*) *soldado de primera*. ►APPENDIX A

land *vi vt* bring a plane or helicopter safely down through the air onto the ground or water (*Esp*) *aterrizar o amerizar*

land component commander (LCC) *n* the senior commander of a joint or multinational military force responsible for all aspects of operations for land maneuver and support forces (*Esp*) *mando componente terrestre*

land forces *n* military forces which operate on land (*Esp*) *fuerzas terrestres*. **Allied ~ drove the enemy back to the coast.** (*Esp*) *Las fuerzas terrestres aliadas hicieron retirarse al anemigo hacia la costa.*

land gap *n* (*Esp*) *brecha en el terreno*

land line *n* telephone and Internet communication via a cable as opposed to wireless communication using a **cell phone** (*Esp*) *línea fija*

land mine *n* (*Esp*) *mina terrestre* ►also **mine**

land mine warfare *n* the strategic and tactical use of mines and their countermeasures (*Esp*) *guerra de minas terrestres*

land survey *n* (*Esp*) *levantamiento topográfico* ►**survey**

land tail *n* that part of an airborne or air-transported force which is deployed by land movement (*Esp*) *componente terrestre de una fuerza aeromóvil o aerotransportada*

landing area *n* **(a)** The part of the objective area within which are conducted the landing operations of an amphibious force. It includes the beach, the approaches to the beach, the transport areas, the fire support areas, the air occupied by close supporting aircraft, and the land included in the advance inland to the initial objective. **(b)** [*airborne*] The general area used for landing troops and materiel either by airdrop or air landing. This area includes one or more drop zones or landing strips. (*Esp*) *zona de desembarco*

landing craft *n* a boat used in **amphibious** operations (*Esp*) *barcaza de desembarco, embarcación de desembarco*. **A ~ will carry the troops and equipment to the beach.** (*Esp*) *Una barcaza de desembarco llevará la tropa y el equipo a la playa.*

landing mat *n* a portable surface laid on soft ground to support the weight of a helicopter (*Esp*) *colchoneta de aterrizaje*

landing plan *n* In amphibious operations, a collective term referring to all individually prepared naval and landing force documents that, taken together, present in detail all instructions for execution of the ship-to-shore movement. An airborne, air assault, or air movement plan prescribing the sequence, place of arrival, and method of entry into the objective area. The purpose of the plan is to get the correct units to the correct place in the correct order to properly execute the ground tactical plan. (*Esp*) *plan de desembarco*

landing zone (LZ) *n* any specified zone used for the landing of aircraft (*Esp*) *zona de aterrizaje*. **helicopter ~ (HLZ)** (*Esp*) *zona de aterrizaje de helicópteros*

landmark *n* an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location (*Esp*) *punto de referencia (sobre el terreno), punto característico del terreno*

lane *n* **(a)** a longitudinally marked part of a highway wide enough to accommodate one vehicle, often set off from adjacent lanes by painted lines (*Esp*) *carril*. **a six- ~ highway** (*Esp*) *una autopista de seis carriles*. **safe ~** (*Esp*) *paso seguro*. **shipping ~** (*Esp*) *ruta de navegación* **(b)** a narrow road, especially in a rural area (*Esp*) *camino, sendero*. **(c)** also **minefield** ~ a marked lane, unmined, or cleared of mines, leading through a minefield (*Esp*) *pasillo (para vehículos en un campo de minas)*. ~ **marker** is used to mark a **minefield lane**. Lane markings at the entrance to, and exit from, the lane will be referenced to a **landmark** or **intermediate marker** (*Esp*) *marcador de pasillo*

lanyard *n* a decorative cord on some military uniforms, which is passed round the neck, shoulder, or wrist for holding a knife, whistle, or similar object (*Esp*) *cordón porta objetos: navaja, silbato, etc.*

lapel *n* the part on each side of a coat or jacket immediately below the collar which is folded back on either side of the front opening (*Esp*) *solapa*. ► APPENDIX B

laptop *n* a portable computer (*Esp*) *ordenador portátil*

laser *abbr n* Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation (*Esp*) *láser*. ~-**guided bomb** (*Esp*) *bomba guiada por láser* ► **guided bomb**. ~ **range finder** a device which uses laser energy for determining the distance from the device to a place or object (*Esp*) *telémetro láser*

latrine *n* (*AmE*) toilet (*Esp*) *inodoro*

launch *vt* to send a weapon into the sky, such as a missile (*Esp*) *lanzar*. ~ **a bridge** (*Esp*) *lanzar un puente*

launcher *n* structural device designed to support and hold in position a missile for firing (*Esp*) *lanzador*

laundry *n* clothes that need to be washed or that are freshly washed and dried (*Esp*) *lavandería*

LAV *abbr* light armored vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo acorazado ligero*

LAW *abbr* light anti-armour weapon (*Esp*) *arma contracarro ligera*

law *n* a rule or set of rules defined by a country or a community that determine whether an action is legal or illegal (*Esp*) *ley*. ~ **of war**, ~ **of armed conflict** (*Esp*) *ley de la guerra*. **break the** ~, also **commit a crime** *v* (*Esp*) *infringir la ley*

lay *v* [*past+pp: laid*] to place something down on something (*Esp*) *poner, colocar*. **The explosive charges were laid along the support pillars of the bridge. to ~ a mine** (*Esp*) *tender una mina, colocar una mina*

layered *adj* arranged in several layers or levels, lying one on top of another. ~ **defence** (*Esp*) *defensa por niveles (o altitudes)*

layout *n* the way in which the parts of building, factory, terrain or piece of writing are arranged (*Esp*) *distribución*. **Most military bases have a similar ~ with messhall, barracks, cinema and other buildings all indicated with a building number.**

lb *abbr* ► **pound**

LBE *abbr* (*AmE*) Load Bearing Equipment. (*Esp*) *porta equipo: correa de instrucción y mochila del tipo del "PECO" español*. ► also **PLCE, MOLLE, ALICE**

LCC *abbr* ► **land component commander**

LD *abbr* ► **line of departure**

lead *vt* to be in charge or in command of an organization (*Esp*) *mandar*

leader *n* the person who leads or commands a group, organization or country (*Esp*) *líder, jefe*. **historical** ~ (*Esp*) *líder histórico*. **religious** ~ (*Esp*) *líder religioso*. **squadron** ~ (*BrE*) a commissioned officer in the **RAF** who ranks with a major in the army (*Esp*) *comandante de la Fuerza Aérea británica*

leadership *n* the quality or position of being **in charge**, i.e. the **leader**, of a group of people or an organisation (*Esp*) *liderazgo*

leak *n* a hole in a pipe or container through which a gas or liquid may escape, or the action of this gas or liquid escaping (*Esp*) *fuga*

leapfrogging *n* ► **overwatch**

leather *n* [*uncount*] a material made from the skin of an animal by tanning or a similar process (*Esp*) *cuero, piel*

leave *n* also **leave of absence**. A period while one has permission to be absent from work or from duty in the armed forces (*Esp*) *permiso*. **to be on** ~ (*Esp*) *estar de permiso*. **to go on** ~ (*Esp*) *irse de permiso, coger permiso*. **to grant** ~ (*Esp*) *conceder permiso*. **annual** ~ (*Esp*) *permiso anual, permiso oficial*. **weekend** ~ (*Esp*) *permiso de fin de semana*

leave *v* [*past+pp left*] to go away from (*Esp*) *salir, abandonar, dejar*. **We will ~ the camp in two minutes!**

legend *n* also **key**. the wording on a map or diagram explaining the symbols used (*Esp*) *leyenda*. **See ~ to Fig. 1.**

letter of instructions *n* a form of order given by a superior commander with wide-ranging instructions aims and policies (*Esp*) *carta de instrucciones*

letter of ratification *n* written document to confirm a verbal commitment or authorization (*Esp*) *carta de ratificación, carta de confirmación de instrucción verbal*

levee *n* an embankment built to prevent a river from overflowing (*Esp*) *dique*

level *n* an instrument that establishes the horizontal plane [*topography*] (*Esp*) *nivel*

lever *n* a long rigid metal bar, wooden stick, or similar, that pivots about one point and is used to move an object at a second point by a force applied at a third (*Esp*) *palanca*. **selector** ~ (*Esp*) *palanca selectora*

levy *n vt* [*archaic*] imposition for mandatory conscription or reassignment of enlisted personnel (*Esp*) *leva*

liaison *n* contact or intercommunication maintained between elements of military forces to ensure mutual understanding, and unity of purpose and action (*Esp*) *enlace*. ~ **officer (LNO)** (*Esp*) *oficial de enlace*

liberated territory *n* any area of land which, having been occupied by enemy forces, is retaken by friendly forces (*Esp*) *territorio liberado*

lieutenant (Lt) *n* /lu:'tenənt/ (*AmE*) /lef'tenənt/ (*BrE*) **(a)** a general term to address a person holding the rank of first or second lieutenant (*Esp*) *teniente o alférez* **(b)** an officer rank in the British Army and the Royal Marines above second lieutenant and below captain (*Esp*) *teniente* **(c)** an officer rank in the Navy, above sub lieutenant (*BrE*) or lieutenant junior grade (*AmE*) and below lieutenant commander (*Esp*) *teniente de navío*. **first** ~ **(1Lt)** an officer rank in the US Army, Air Force and Marine Corps above second lieutenant and below captain (*Esp*) *teniente*. **second** ~ **(2Lt)** the lowest officer rank in the Army, Marine Corps and US Air Force below first lieutenant (*Esp*) *alférez*. *En algunos ejércitos de países hispanoamericanos equivale a subteniente o segundo teniente*. ~ **colonel (LTC, Lt Col)** an officer rank in the Army, Marine Corps and US Air Force above major and below colonel (*Esp*) *teniente coronel*. ► APPENDIX A

light **(lt)** *adj* of little weight; easy to lift (*Esp*) *ligero*. ~ **machinegun (LMG)** a **machine gun** that can be carried by one soldier, and is supported on a bipod (*Esp*) *ametralladora ligera*. ► also **machine gun**. ~ **support weapon (LSW)** [*count*] (*BrE*) also **squad automatic weapon (SAW)** (*AmE*) a light or general purpose machinegun (GPMG), which is usually supported on a bipod, and is used to provide **suppressive fire** for an infantry squad or dismounted cavalry unit (*Esp*) *ametralladora ligera*. ~ **vehicle** (*Esp*) *vehículo ligero*

light-coloured *adj* bright in colour, opposite of dark-coloured (*Esp*) *claro*. **The guy was wearing a ~ jacket.** (*Esp*) *El tío llevaba una chaqueta de color claro*.

limber *n* a trailer or vehicle carrying ammunition, which accompanies the gun it is to supply (*Esp*) *armón (de artillería)*

limber *vt* to connect an artillery piece ready for towing (*Esp*) *enganchar (una pieza de artillería)* ► also **unlimber**

lime *n* a white substance obtained by burning limestone, which is used in making cement (*Esp*) *cal*

line of departure (LD) *n* In land warfare, a line designated to co-ordinate the departure of attack elements. Also called **start line** (*Esp*) *Línea de partida*. **Once we left the ~ we knew the fighting would soon begin.**

line of duty *n* (*after v*) **in the ~ ~ ~** something that happens whilst performing normal duties. **He was injured in the ~** (*Esp*) *acto de servicio*

line of operations *n* (*AmE*) an imaginary line between a force's base of operations and the location of an objective [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *línea de operaciones*

line of sight (LOS) *n* the unobstructed path from a soldier, weapon, weapon sight, electronic sending and receiving antennas, or piece of reconnaissance equipment from one point to another (*Esp*) *línea de visión directa*

lines of communications (LOC) *n* all the routes, land, water, and air, which connect an operating military force with a base of operations and along which supplies and military forces move (*Esp*) *líneas de comunicaciones*

link up *vt* make, form or suggest a connection with or between (*Esp*) *enlazar*

listening silence *n* a period during which all radio stations will remain in operation without transmitting except for emergencies or situations prescribed in orders [*communications*] (*Esp*) *a la escucha en silencio radio*

live mine *n* ► also **mine**. In land mine warfare an explosive or material, normally encased, designed to destroy or damage ground vehicles, boats or aircrafts, or designed to wound, kill, or otherwise incapacitate personnel. It may be detonated by the action of its victim, by the passage of time, or by controlled means. (*Esp*) *mina real*

live-fire *n* training exercise where live or real ammunition is used (*Esp*) *fuego real*

LIVEX *abbr* live fire exercise (*Esp*) *maniobra con fuego real*

living conditions *n* [*plural*] the quality of the facilities available in a house or military camp, which may vary from "basic" to "luxurious" (*Esp*) *condiciones de vida*

LMG *abbr* ► **light machine gun** ► also **machine gun**

LNO *abbr* **Liaison Officer** (*Esp*) *oficial de enlace*. ► also **liaison**

load *n* the total number of items or weight that can be carried in any kind of vehicle or an individual soldier (*Esp*) *carga*. ~ **plan** a document which presents in detail all instructions for the arrangement of personnel and equipment aboard a given type aircraft or vehicle (*Esp*) *plan de carga*. ► also **prescribed load**

load *vt* (a) put a large amount of something on or in a vehicle, ship, container, etc. (*Esp*) *cargar* (b) insert rounds into a weapon, such as by putting a **magazine** containing rounds into the magazine well of an assault rifle (*Esp*) *cargar*

loaded and ready to fire *adj phr* magazine inserted with first round in the chamber or bolt open, and weapon cocked [*firearms*] (*Esp*) *listo para hacer fuego*

loader *n* the tank crewman who places shells into the main gun barrel (*Esp*) *cargador*

loading plan *n* all of the documents which, taken together, present in detail all instructions for the arrangement of personnel and the loading of equipment for one or more units or other special grouping of personnel or material moving by highway, water, rail or air transportation (*Esp*) *plan de carga*. ► also **load plan** ► also **aircraft loading**

local *adj* belonging to or characteristic of a particular place or region (*Esp*) *local, de la zona*. ~ **time** *n* the time in a particular region or time zone (*Esp*) *hora local*. ~ **culture** *n* (*Esp*) *cultura local* ► also **culture**. ~ **language** *n* (*Esp*) *idioma local*

locate *vt* (a) [*active*] discover the exact place or position (*Esp*) *localizar*. **The company tried to ~ the enemy positions.** (b) [*passive*] **to be located** situated in a particular place (*Esp*) *estar situado*. **The new camp is located near a major river.** (*Esp*) *El nuevo campamento está situado cerca de un río importante*.

location *n* a particular place or position (*Esp*) *situación, posición*. **Our troops didn't know the enemy's exact ~.** (*Esp*) *Nuestras tropas no sabían la posición exacta del enemigo*.

lock *n* a device used to securely close a door, suitcase, cupboard or other space, which may be activated by a **key**, entering a combination of numbers or a **bolt** (*Esp*) *cerradura, cerrojo*

locker *n* a secure cupboard that is used to store a person's clothing, bags and other personal effects at a public place such as a school, sports club, dormitory or train station (*Esp*) *taquilla*

locking *n* (a) the step in the cycle of operation of a small weapon in which the bolt closes and seals the chamber for firing (*Esp*) *acerojamiento* (b) ~ **pin** also **retaining pin, takedown pin**. A short piece of metal that is inserted into the side of a pistol or rifle which serves to hold the various parts in position. This part is therefore removed for disassembly (*Esp*) *pasador [small arms]*

logistic *adj* relating to **logistics**. ~ **operations** (*Esp*) *operaciones logísticas*

logistical *adj* ► **logistic**. ~ **planning** (*Esp*) *planes logísticos*

logistics *n* the detailed coordination of a complex operation involving many people, facilities, or supplies (*Esp*) *logística*. **combat ~ patrol** (CLP), also **supply convoy** (*Esp*) *convoy de abastecimiento*

LOMAD *abbr* **LOW to Medium-altitude Air Defence**

long-haul wire circuit *n* also **trunk** or **trunk circuit**. Communication by cable over long distances, which can be underground, overhead or submarine. Used in operations when movement is limited. (*Esp*) *circuito troncal*

long-range surveillance (LRS) *n* surveillance of an enemy force or a specific area over extended distances using long-range surveillance units, special operations forces, and/or division, corps, theater or national monitoring devices (*Esp*) *vigilancia a larga distancia*

lookout *n* **(a)** a person who is stationed at a strategic place to keep watch for danger or an event (*Esp*) *guardia, vigilante* **(b)** an elevated platform or strategic place from which a person may keep watch (*Esp*) *puesto de observación, atalaya*. **be on the ~ for (BOLO)** (*Esp*) *ir a la caza de*

loose *adj* not firmly or tightly fixed in place (*Esp*) *flojo, suelto*

loosen *v* to make less tight, slacken, or to make less firmly fixed in place (*Esp*) *aflojar, soltar*.
The idler wheel can tighten or ~ the track.

LOS *abbr* ► **line of sight**

low-tech *adj* of the use of traditional or classic methods as opposed to use of modern technology (*Esp*) *de baja tecnología*. ~ **explosive device** (*Esp*) *aparato explosivo de baja tecnología*

loyal *adj* always faithful and showing constant support for a friend, colleague or institution (*Esp*) *fiel*

loyalty *n* the quality of being constantly faithful and supporting of a friend, colleague or institution, i.e. being **loyal** (*Esp*) *lealtad*

LPG *abbr* **liquefied petroleum gas** is a flammable mixture of hydrocarbon gases, primarily butane and propane (*Esp*) *gas licuado de petróleo, GLP*

LRS *abbr* ► **long-range surveillance**

lubricant *n* a generic term for any liquid, in the form of an **oil**, or solid, in the form of a **grease**, that is used to reduce friction and **wear** between moving parts in a mechanism (*Esp*) *lubricante, lubricificante*. ► also **POL**

lure *v* to tempt someone to go to a particular place, especially for trap or an ambush (*Esp*) *atraer*

LZ *abbr* ► **landing zone**

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M113 *n* a box-shaped American **armoured personnel carrier**, which was first used in the Vietnam war (*Esp*) *TOA*

ma'am *n* Contraction of madam. A respectful way of addressing a woman in a position of authority (*Esp*) *señora*. *En ámbito militar equivale tanto a nuestro "a sus órdenes" como a "mi capitán/comandante/..." pues ninguna de esas expresiones existe en inglés. Nothing to report, ~. (Esp) A sus órdenes mi capitán/alférez/..., no hay novedad. En general, se emplea sólo para dirigirse a oficiales.* ► also **sir**

machine gun (MG) *n* an automatic weapon that fires bullets at a very high rate, which are of a greater calibre than an assault rifle and have a greater effective range (*Esp*) *ametralladora*. ~ **post** a place specially erected to house a machine gun (*Esp*) *puesto de ametralladora*. **general purpose** ~ ~ **(GPMG)** one that can be used as a light or medium machine gun (*Esp*) *ametralladora para usos múltiples*. **heavy** ~ ~ one with a high calibre and is often mounted on a vehicle (*Esp*) *ametralladora de gran calibre, ametralladora pesada*. **light** ~ ~ (*Esp*) *ametralladora ligera*. **medium** ~ ~ (*Esp*) *ametralladora media*

MAD *abbr* ► **mutual assured destruction**

mag *n* [infml] ► **magazine**

magazine *n* a chamber for feeding ammunition automatically into a weapon (*Esp*) *cargador*. ~ **well** (*Esp*) *ventana de alimentación, alojamiento del cargador*. ~ **capacity** (*Esp*) *capacidad del cargador*. **box** ~ (*Esp*) *cargador de petaca*

magazine catch *n* the lever or button that releases the **magazine** [rifles] (*Esp*) *retenida del cargador*. ► also **safety catch**

magnetic mine *n* a mine which responds to the magnetic field of a target (*Esp*) *mina magnética*

main body *n* **(a)** The principal part of a tactical command or formation. It does not include detached elements of the command such as advance guards, flank guards, and covering forces. **(b)** In a motor column, all vehicles exclusive of the column head, trail, and control

vehicles which consist primarily of the vehicles carrying the bulk of the cargo or troops within the column. (Esp) *grueso de la fuerza*

main command post *n* A cell that includes those staff activities involved in controlling and sustaining current operations and in planning future operations. The main command post (PC) normally operates under control of the chief of staff. In addition to the chief of staff, the main PC consists of G1, G2, G3, and G4 elements; fire support and chemical elements, tactical air control party element, and an Army airspace command and control element consisting of air defense artillery and Army aviation staff elements. The main PC exercises command and control of the current operation in cases where a tactical PC is not employed. (Esp) *puesto de mando principal*

main supply route (MSR) *n* the main tracks or roads used to supply units at theatre level (Esp) *ruta principal de suministros*

maintenance *n* the process of keeping something in good condition (Esp) *mantenimiento*. ~ **company** (Esp) *compañía de mantenimiento*

major (Maj) *n* an officer rank in the Army and US Air Force and Marine Corps above captain and below lieutenant colonel (Esp) *comandante, mayor (en algunos ejércitos hispanoamericanos)*. ~ **general** (Esp) *general de división*. ► **APPENDIX A**

major *adj* very important (Esp) *muy importante, clave*. **That road was a ~ line of communication for the enemy.** (Esp) *Esa carretera fue para el enemigo una línea de comunicación clave*. ~ **operation** *n* The coordinated actions of large forces in a single phase of a campaign. A major operation could contain a number of battles or could be a single critical battle. (Esp) *operación principal*

make up *vt* to constitute or form. **to be made up** [+ prep of] (Esp) *componerse (de), estar compuesto o constituido (por)*. **Companies are made up of platoons.** (Esp) *Las compañías se componen de secciones*.

malfunction *n* a problem during the operation of equipment, which can usually be solved by the user or crew, and which will not normally cause complete failure (Esp) *avería, fallo*

mandate *n* a resolution approved by the UN Security Council or a nation's government that defines the objective, resources, role, and tasks of a force assigned to carry out the resolution. It also includes the **rules of engagement**, rules of interaction, **force protection**, geographical limitations, limits on the duration of the operation, relationships with belligerent parties, relationships with **humanitarian assistance** organizations, personnel **resources**, and financing (Esp) *mandato*

maneuver *n* (AmE) **manoeuvre** (BrE) **(a)** a movement to strategically position ships or aircraft in order to gain an advantage over the enemy **(b)** the operation of a vehicle, ship or aircraft, to perform desired movements **(c)** employment of forces on the battlefield, using movement in combination with fire, to achieve a position of advantage in respect to the enemy. **The ~ was supposed to cut off the enemy's line of retreat.** (Esp) *Se suponía que la maniobra cortarí la línea de retirada del enemigo*.

maneuver *vt* to move a unit in a premeditated, tactical manner (Esp) *maniobrar*

maneuverability *n* (AmE) **manoeuverability** (BrE) the degree of capability to manoeuvre (Esp) *maniobrabilidad*

manhole *n* a hole in a road or pavement covered by a lid, which allows inspection and maintenance of underground pipes and cables (Esp) *pozo de inspección, registro*. ~ **cover** (Esp) *tapa de acceso, tapa de registro*

manipulative electronic deception *adj* [comms] ► **deception**

manoeuvre *n* v (BrE) ► **maneuver** (AmE) *n* v

manoeuvres *n* [plural] (BrE) also **(training) exercise** [count]. a tactical military exercise simulating war. **to be on ~** (Esp) *estar de maniobras*. **to go on ~** (Esp) *ir de maniobras*

manpack *n* a radio set that is carried by one person (Esp) *equipo de radio portátil, manpack*

man-portable *adj* designed to be carried by one person or more (Esp) *portátil*. ► also **portable**

mantlet *n* the moveable armored shield at the point where the tank gun passes through the front face of the turret (Esp) *escudo, mantelete*

map *n* a diagrammatic representation of an area of land or sea showing physical features, cities, roads, etc. (Esp) *plano, mapa*. ~ **case, M/case** (Esp) *portaplanos*. ~ **overlay** (Esp)

superponible de planos. ~ reading, MR (Esp) lectura de planos. ~ sheet, M/sheet (Esp) hoja de plano

march *v* to walk in a military manner with a regular measured tread (Esp) *desfilan*. **Members of the legion marched past the King and the Queen.** (Esp) *Miembros de la legión desfilaron ante los Reyes.*

marching order *n* (BrE) combat uniform with webbing, rucksack and specified equipment needed to stay in the field overnight (Esp) *uniforme de instrucción con correaje, equipo de combate y mochila grande*

marine air-ground task force (MAGTF) *n* (AmE) A task organization of Marine forces under a single command, which is structured to accomplish a specific mission. Its components will normally include command, ground combat, aviation combat, and combat service support elements (including Navy support elements). Four types of MAGTFs which can be task organized are the Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF), Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB), Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), and Special Purpose Force (SPF). (Esp) *agrupación táctica aeroterrestre de fuerzas de marina*

marine expeditionary unit (MEU) *n* (AmE) a small amphibious air-ground task force, prepared for a rapid response to a variety of scenarios (Esp) *unidad expedicionaria de Infantería de Marina*

marking *n* a line or pattern that identifies something and distinguishes it from others (Esp) *marca, mancha*. **identification** ~ (Esp) *marca de identificación*. **road ~s** (Esp) *líneas de señalización vial*

marsh *n* an area of low-lying grassland which is partly flooded in wet seasons or at high tide, and typically remains waterlogged at all times (Esp) *terreno húmedo, pantano*. **salt** ~ (Esp) *marisma*

marshalling *n* **(a)** The process by which units participating in an amphibious or airborne operation group together or assemble when feasible or move to temporary camps in the vicinity of embarkation points, complete preparations for combat, or prepare for loading. **(b)** The process of assembling, holding, and organizing supplies and/or equipment, especially vehicles of transportation, for onward movement. (Esp) *concentración de fuerzas*

marshalling area *n* **(a)** The general area in which unit preparation areas and departure airfields may be located and from which movement is initiated. **(b)** An area located adjacent to strategic air and sea ports of embarkation and debarkation, controlled by the Army service component commander, in which units configure forces, sustainment, and material for onward movement to staging areas or tactical assembly areas. **(c)** In amphibious operations, the designated area in which, as part of the mounting process, units are reorganized for embarkation; vehicles and equipment are prepared to move directly to embarkation areas; and housekeeping facilities are provided for troops by other units. (Esp) *zona de concentración*

mask clearance *n* the absence (or the amount of clearance) in the path (sector) of a weapon's trajectory (Esp) *despeje de un campo de tiro*

masonry *n* **(a)** also **stonework**. Bricks or pieces of stone which have been stuck together with cement as part of a wall or building (Esp) *mampostería* **(b)** the skill of making or building things with stone (Esp) *mampostería*

master sergeant *n* rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army, Air Force and Marine Corps. In the US Army it is above sergeant first class and below first sergeant (Esp) *brigada*. ► APPENDIX A

match *n* a small stick of wood or paper with flammable chemicals on one end for lighting fires (Esp) *cerilla*

material *n* **(a)** cloth or fabric (Esp) *tejido, tela* **(b)** a solid substance, such as wood or metal, from which things can be made (Esp) *material*

materiel *n* military material and equipment (Esp) *material*

maximum velocity *n* top speed (Esp) *velocidad máxima*

mayday *n* the international radio **distress call** (Esp) *mayday, ¡Socorro!*

mayor *n* the elected leader of a town or city (Esp) *alcalde*

MBT *abbr* main battle tank (Esp) *carro de combate*

meaconing *n* enemy transmission which confuses the navigation of friendly aircraft or ships (Esp) *perturbación de las ayudas a la navegación*. ~, **interference, jamming and intrusion report (MIJI report)** (Esp) *informe MIJI*

means *n* resources, capability (Esp) *recursos, medios*. ~ **of transportation** (Esp) *medios de transporte*. ~ **of signal communication** a medium by which a message is conveyed from one person or place to another (Esp) *medio de transmisión*

mechanic *n* a technician specialised in repairing and maintaining engines and machines (Esp) *mecánico*

mechanical mine-laying system *n* (Esp) *sistema de tendido mecánico [minas]*

mechanized unit *n* A unit equipped with motor vehicles, tanks, and heavy guns carried or pulled by trucks (Esp) *unidad mecanizada*

medal *n* a metal disc with an inscription or design, awarded as a distinction to someone such as a soldier, athlete, or scholar, or made to commemorate an event (Esp) *medalla*. **service ~** (Esp) *condecoración por méritos de campaña*

MEDEVAC *abbr* **medical evacuation** is the movement of wounded or diseased personnel, accompanied by a doctor, usually by air ambulance (Esp) *evacuación médica, MEDEVAC*. ► also **CASEVAC**

median *n* also ~ **strip** (AmE) **central reservation** (BrE) the narrow area of land separating opposing lanes of a dual-carriageway or other divided major road (Esp) *mediana*

medic *n* (a) a medical practitioner or student (Esp) *médico*. **Go and see the ~!** (Esp) *¡vaya a ver al médico!* (b) a person who is not a doctor, but is trained to give medical treatment (Esp) (personal) *sanitario*, (personal) *paramédico*

medical check-up *n* a general revision of one's health (Esp) *revisión médica*

medical evacuation *n* (Esp) *evacuación médica* ► **MEDEVAC**

medical pack *n* first-aid kit (Esp) *paquete de cura individual*

medical service *n* (a) treatment (Esp) *tratamiento* (b) medical organization (Esp) *cuerpo facultativo de sanidad*

medicine *n* a drug or other prepared substance for the treatment of a disease or other illness (Esp) *medicina*

medium girder bridge (MGB) *n* (Esp) *puente viga tipo medio, MGB*

medium machine gun (MMG) *n* a **machine gun** that is carried by two men and is normally supported on a tripod (Esp) *ametralladora mediana*

meeting engagement *n* A combat action that occurs when a moving force, incompletely deployed for battle, engages an enemy at an unexpected time and place. The enemy force may be either stationary or moving. (Esp) *combate de encuentro*

memorandum of understanding (mou.) *n* agreement among nations, services or organizations to provide or exchange services (Esp) *protocolo de entendimiento o acuerdo*

mess *n* also ~ **hall**. a building or room in which members of the armed forces eat their meals (Esp) *comedor (de un acuartelamiento o base militar)*. **officers' ~** (Esp) *sala, comedor, club o pabellón de oficiales*. **NCOs' ~**, **sergeants' ~** (Esp) *sala, comedor, club o pabellón de suboficiales*

mess kit *n* (a) (BrE) also **mess undress** ► **mess uniform** (b) eating equipment used by soldiers in the field, which normally includes a knife, a fork, a spoon and a cup (Esp) *cubiertos de campaña*

mess tin *n* a rectangular-shaped deep metal dish with a folding handle, used by soldiers for cooking and for eating or drinking out of (Esp) *cacillo, gabata*

mess uniform *n* the uniform worn by military officers and NCOs for formal social occasions in the evening (after retreat), like formal dinners or ~~banquets~~ also **Army white/blue/black (evening)** ~ ~, **mess undress / mess kit** (Esp) *uniforme de etiqueta para actos sociales*. **Army white/blue/black (evening)** ~ (AmE) (Esp) *uniforme de etiqueta para actos sociales (blanco/azul/negro) en el ejército de los EEUU*. ► **APPENDIX B**

message *n* any thought or idea expressed in brief form or in plain or secret language and prepared in a form suitable for transmission by any means of communication (Esp) *mensaje*. ~ **switching** ► **switching**

METT-T *abbr mission, enemy, terrain, troops, and time available*, a mnemonic representing the factors that must be considered during the planning or execution of a tactical operation [*analysis*] (*Esp*) *análisis de la misión, enemigo, terreno, fuerzas y tiempo disponible*

MEU *abbr /em'ju:/ (AmE) marine expeditionary unit*, which is a small amphibious air-ground task force, prepared for a rapid response to a variety of scenarios (*Esp*) *unidad expedicionaria de Infantería de Marina*

MI *abbr ►military intelligence*, the military discipline of collecting and assessing information from a variety of sources and then informing the relevant authorities, and providing guidance in top-level decision making (*Esp*) *inteligencia militar*

MI5 *abbr (BrE) [infml] Military Intelligence, Section 5 ►Security Service*

MI6 *abbr (BrE) [infml] Military Intelligence, Section 6 ►Secret Intelligence Service*

MIA *abbr ►missing in action*

MICLIC *abbr /mɪk.lɪk/ a mine clearing line charge* is used by combat engineers to **breach** a minefield or belt of IEDs by launching a rocket-projected explosive line charge over the 100-m long lane to be cleared (*Esp*) *MICLIC, línea carga*

MIJI report *abbr meaconing, interference, jamming and intrusion report* (*Esp*) *informe MIJI. ►meaconing, ►interference, ►jamming, ►intrusion*

mil *n* a unit of measurement of angles, in which one arc forms an angle equal to the 1,600th part of a right angle or an arc equal to the 6400th part of the circumference of a complete circle [*geom.*] (*Esp*) *milésima [artillera]*

mile *n* a unit of distance equal to 1.609 kilometres, or 1,760 yards (*Esp*) *milla*. **nautical** ~ the standard unit of distance used at sea, which is equal to 1.852 kilometres, or 2,025 yards (*Esp*) *milla marina. ►also yard*

military *adj* relating to or characteristic of soldiers or armed forces (*Esp*) *militar*. ~ **base** *n* (*Esp*) *base militar*. ~ **crest** *n* a line on a slope allowing the maximum observation downhill, it may be different from the topographic crest or line of highest altitude (*Esp*) *cresta militar*. ~ **intelligence (MI)** the military discipline, and branch, that consists of collecting and assessing information from a variety of sources and then informing the relevant authorities, as well as providing guidance based on information acquired in top-level decision making (*Esp*) *inteligencia militar* ►also **intelligence**. ~ **operations other than war (MOOTW)** Operations that involve the use of military capabilities across the range of military operations, excluding war. These military actions can be applied to complement any combination of the other instruments of national power and occur before, during, and after war. (*Esp*) *operaciones no bélicas*. ~ **time** the 24-hour time format used by the military, as well as by police, emergency services, aviation and shipping, where 9:30 a.m., for example, is written as 0930 or 0930h, and spoken as “zero nine thirty” or “zero nine thirty hours” (*Esp*) *horario militar* ►also **zulu time**. ~ **training** *n* any kind of theoretical or practical preparation for military duties (*Esp*) *instrucción militar*

military *n* the ~, the armed forces of a country (*Esp*) *la institución militar, las fuerzas armadas, la milicia. to be in the ~* to belong to the armed forces (*Esp*) *ser militar. I am in the military.* (*Esp*) *Soy militar [I-am-military]*

mill *n* a building equipped with machinery for grinding grain into flour (*Esp*) *molino*

millimetre (mm) *n* (*BrE*) **millimeter** (*AmE*) a unit of length equal to a 1000th of one metre (*Esp*) *milímetro*

mils **(a)** *abbr [infml] millimetres (BrE) millimeters (AmE) usu. mm* **(b)** *n* plural of **mil**

minaret *n* a characteristic high tower of an Islamic **mosque** (*Esp*) *minarete, alminar*

mine *n* In land mine warfare an explosive or material, normally encased, designed to destroy or damage ground vehicles, boats or aircrafts, or designed to wound, kill, or otherwise incapacitate personnel. It may be detonated by the action of its victim, by the passage of time, or by controlled means. (*Esp*) *mina*. ~ **clearance** the process of removing all mines from a route or area, a task typically performed by combat engineers on land (*Esp*) *eliminación de minas, limpieza de minas, desminado* ►**MICLIC** ►also **combat engineering**. ~ **cluster** (*Esp*) *núcleo minado*. ~ **detection**, ~ **sweeping** countermine operations to discover the presence, locations, types, status and borders of mines and minefields, whether on land or in water (*Esp*) *detección de minas, dragado de minas*

[buque], rastreo de minas, búsqueda de minas, localización de minas. ~ **detector** (Esp) detector de minas. ~ **launcher vehicle** (Esp) vehículo lanzaminas. ~ **launcher** (Esp) lanzaminas. ~ **layer** (Esp) siembra minas. ~ **plough** (BrE), ~ **plow** (AmE) (Esp) arado levantaminas. ~ **protected vehicle (MPV)** a military vehicle that is designed to protect its occupants from the full force of a **mine** or **IED** exploding at close range (Esp) vehículo protegido contra minas. ~ **roller** a wheeled device that is pushed in front of a vehicle to activate and destroy mines safely using surface pressure (Esp) rodillo para desminado, rodillo levantaminas. ~ **row** a single row of mines or clusters (Esp) fila de minas. ~ **strip** two parallel mine rows laid simultaneously six meters or six paces apart (Esp) faja de minas. ~ **sweeper** *n* a person (► also **sapper**), device (► also **mine roller**), vehicle (► also **flail tank**), ship or aircraft that detects mines (Esp) desminador [soldier], buque contraminas [ship], dragaminas [ship]. ~ **warfare** the strategic and tactical use of mines and their countermeasures (Esp) guerra de minas. **dummy** ~ (Esp) mina falsa, mina simulada. **fragmentation** ~ (Esp) mina de fragmentación. ► also **active mine** ► also **live mine**. **magnetic** ~ a mine which responds to the magnetic field of a target (Esp) mina magnética

mined area *n* an area declared dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of mines (Esp) zona minada

minefield *n* in land warfare, an area of ground containing mines laid with or without a pattern (Esp) campo de minas. ~ **density** in land mine warfare, the average number of mines per meter of minefield front, or the average number of mines per square meter of minefield (Esp) densidad de un campo de minas. ~ **lane** a marked lane, unmined, or cleared of mines, leading through a minefield (Esp) pasillo para vehículos en un campo de minas. ~ **marking** A standardized system of marking to indicate the location and extent of a minefield (Esp) marcado de un campo de minas. ~ **record** A complete written record of all pertinent information concerned on a minefield, submitted on a standard form by the officer in charge of the laying operation (Esp) ficha registro de campo de minas. ► also **phoney** ~

misfire *n* (a) failure to fire or explode properly (Esp) disparo fallido (b) failure of a primer or the propelling charge of a round or projectile to function wholly or in part (Esp) cartucho defectuoso, fallo del disparo

miss *vt* fail to hit, reach or come into contact with (something aimed at) (Esp) perder. **The missile had missed its objective.** (Esp) El misil no ha impactado sobre su objetivo.

missile *n* /'misail/ (BrE) /'misel/ (AmE) a self propelled projectile capable of receiving post-launching guidance during flight (Esp) misil. **intermediate-range ballistic** ~ (**IRBM**) (Esp) misil balístico de alcance intermedio. **short-range anti-tank** ~ (Esp) misil contracarro de corto alcance. ► also **guided missile**

missing *adj* condition of non-combat personnel whose location and status are unknown (Esp) desaparecido. ~ **in action (MIA)** a casualty category applicable during combat, in which a person, whose location is not known, may or may not be dead (Esp) desaparecido en combate

mission *n* (a) a clear concise statement of the task of the command and its purpose (Esp) misión (b) one or more aircraft ordered to accomplish a particular task (Esp) misión

mission statement *n* A short paragraph or sentence describing the task and purpose that clearly indicate the action to be taken and the reason therefore. It usually contains the elements of who, what, when, and where, and the reason therefore, but seldom specifies how (Esp) enunciado de la misión

mission, enemy, terrain, troops, and time available *abbr* ► **METT-T**

mixed minefield *n* a minefield containing both antitank and antipersonnel mines (Esp) campo de minas mixto

mixed mode (MIX) *n* a function of radio communications equipment, which automatically selects the most suitable mode of operation (Esp) modo mixto

MMG *abbr* ► **medium machine gun** ► also **machine gun** (Esp) ametralladora mediana

mnemonic *n adj* /ni'monɪk/ a word or sentence used to help soldiers remember procedures, rules of engagement, etc. such as **RAMP, SALUTE, SPORTS** and **VEWPRIK** (Esp) *ayuda nemotécnica*

mobile defence *n* defeating the enemy rather than simply seizing or holding ground. A fixing force denies an attacking force freedom of action while a striking force manoeuvres in order to hit the enemy decisively. Mobile defence employs a combination of offensive, defensive and delaying actions [*doctrine*] (Esp) *defensa móvil*

mobility *n* a quality or capability of military forces which permits them to move from place to place while retaining the ability to fulfill their primary missions (Esp) *movilidad*

MoD *abbr* (BrE) Ministry of Defence (Esp) *Ministerio de Defensa*

modem *n* Acronym of **MOD**ulator-**DEM**odulator. Modems are primarily used for converting digital signals into analog signals for transmission and reception and for reconverting the analog signals into digital signals for processing. (Esp) *módem*

modulate *vt* to mix two or more signals to produce another signal; to vary or change the amplitude, frequency, or phase of the signals to be modulated (Esp) *modular*

MOLLE *abbr* (AmE) modular lightweight load-carrying equipment. It is currently being replaced by an improved **LBE** for front-line troops. (Esp) *modelo de correa de instrucción y mochila del Ejército de los EEUU*. ► also **PLCE, LBE, ALICE**. ~ **Rucksack** (Esp) *mochila* **MOLLE**

Molotov cocktail *n* also **petrol bomb** (BrE) a simple incendiary device consisting of a glass bottle containing a flammable liquid with a piece of cloth in the top for a **fuse**, which is lit just before throwing the bottle like a **hand grenade** (Esp) *cóctel Molotov, bomba molotov*

moor *n* a tract of open uncultivated upland, typically covered with heather (Esp) *páramo*

MOOTW *abbr* ► **military operations other than war**

morale *n* a mental state shown by willingness to work hard, do brave things, and obey orders (Esp) *moral, estado de ánimo*. ~-**booster** something that generates a sharp increase in the level of morale (Esp) *algo que levanta el ánimo*.

mortar *n* (a) a muzzle-loading weapon which fires shells at short range and at a high angle; it usually has a tube length of ten to twenty calibers (Esp) *mortero*. **A rifle company has a ~ platoon for fire support.** (Esp) *Una compañía de fusiles tiene una sección de morteros para apoyo de fuego*. ~ **shell**, ~ **bomb** (Esp) *granada de mortero* (b) a mixture of cement, sand and water for holding bricks and stones together in walls (Esp) *mortero*

mosque *n* an Islamic house of worship (Esp) *mezquita*. ► also **minaret**

mosquito repellent *n* a substance that keeps mosquitos away (Esp) *repelente antimosquitos*

motor march *n* controlled movement of troops using motor vehicles (Esp) *marcha motorizada*

motor pool *n* group of vehicles used by an organization (Esp) *parque de vehículos, parque móvil*

motorway *n* (BrE) a dual carriageway road designed for fast traffic, with relatively few places for joining or leaving (Esp) *autopista*

motto *n* [*plural mottos or mottoes*] A sort sentence or a few words used as the guiding principle of a person or organisation (Esp) *lema*. **The ~ of the British Army is “Be the Best”.**

mountain range *n* a line of mountains connected by high ground (Esp) *cordillera, cadena montañosa*

mounted infantry *n* infantry which are inside a vehicle (Esp) *infantería montada*

mounted on *vt* to fix or attach to something (Esp) *montado sobre*. **The jeeps used in North Africa in WW2 often had machineguns ~ them.**

move *vi vt* to go in a specific direction or change position (Esp) *moverse*. **The troops moved by day and night in their exercise.**

movement control *n* the planning, routing, scheduling and control of personnel and freight movements over lines of communications; also an organization responsible for these functions (Esp) *control de movimientos*

movement restriction *n* a restriction temporarily placed on traffic into and/or out of areas (Esp) *restricción de movimientos*

movement to contact *n* ► **advance to contact**

MP *abbr* (a) military police (Esp) *policía militar* (b) (BrE) member of parliament (Esp) *parlamentario, diputado*

mph *abbr* miles per hour (*Esp*) millas por hora. ► **mile**

MPO *abbr* military post office (*Esp*) oficina de correos militar. ► also **BFPO**

MPV *abbr* mine protected vehicle (*Esp*) vehículo protegido contra minas

MRBM *abbr* medium range ballistic missile (*Esp*) misil balístico de mediano alcance

MRE *abbr* (*AmE*) meal ready to eat. ► **combat ration pack**

MSE network *abbr* ® Mobile Subscriber Equipment network. A military digital telecommunications system deployed to support combat units. It is a nodal voice and data system that is extended by radiotelephone to provide area coverage. It can serve 25,000 subscribers in an area of 15,000 km². (*Esp*) red de área MSE

MSR *abbr* main supply route; the main tracks or roads used to supply units at theatre level (*Esp*) ruta principal de suministros

multiplex *n* a communications system capable of sending and receiving different information at the same time on one channel (*Esp*) *múltiplex*

munitions *n* [plural] military weapons and ammunition (*Esp*) *munición(es)*. **nuclear, chemical and conventional** ~ (*Esp*) *munición nuclear, química y convencional*

mutual assured destruction (MAD) *n* one of the principles of nuclear deterrence (*Esp*) *destrucción mutua asegurada*

mutual support *n* **(a)** assistance that units give to each other against an enemy, because of their assigned tasks, their position relative to each other and to the enemy, and their inherent capabilities (*Esp*) *apoyo mutuo* **(b)** in land operations, a condition which exists when positions are able to support each other by fire, thus preventing the enemy from mounting an attack against any one position without being subjected to fire from one or more adjacent positions (*Esp*) *apoyo mutuo*

muzzle *n* the fore-end of a gun barrel from which the projectile exits (*Esp*) *boca (de fuego)*. ~ **blast** (*Esp*) *rebufo*. ~ **brake** a device attached to the muzzle of a heavy gun that is designed to reduce the recoil by deflecting sideways some of the propellant gases emerging from the bore after shot ejection (*Esp*) *freno de boca*. ~ **flash** the flame given out when shooting a weapon (*Esp*) *fogonazo*. ~ **flip** (*Esp*) *reelevación*. ~ **loading** (*Esp*) *avancarga*. ~ **velocity** the speed of a projectile as it leaves the weapon (*Esp*) *velocidad inicial, velocidad de boca*. ► APPENDIX C ► APPENDIX D

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NAAFI shop *abbr* (*BrE*) a Navy, Army and Air Force Institutes shop sells everyday items to NCOs and junior rank military personnel on board Navy vessels and on military bases (*Esp*) *tienda de efectos personales y víveres, supermercado (militar)*

nameplate *n* a metal or plastic plate displaying the name of someone, usually worn above one of the breast pockets or on the pocket flap in some uniforms (*Esp*) *placa con el nombre*. ► APPENDIX B

name-tag *n* **(a)** a label attached to someone or something for the purpose of identification or to give other information (*Esp*) *etiqueta* **(b)** a metal or plastic nameplate, or a tape of cloth displaying the name of someone, usually worn above one of the breast pockets or on the pocket flap in some uniforms (*Esp*) *placa o etiqueta con el nombre*. ► APPENDIX B

name-tape *n* strip of cloth sewn above one of the breast pockets of the combat uniform displaying the name of someone (*Esp*) *etiqueta con el nombre (cosida en la ropa)*. ► APPENDIX B

nap-of-the-earth flight *n* when aircraft fly so low they almost touch the tops of trees (*Esp*) *vuelo rasante*

national commander *n* in NATO operations a national commander, territorial or functional, who is normally not in the allied chain of command (*Esp*) *mando nacional*

national support element (NSE) *n* a supply and support unit of each contributing nation in a multinational operation (*Esp*) *unidad de apoyo logístico nacional*

NATO *abbr* North Atlantic Treaty Organization; currently 19 member states (*Esp*) *la OTAN*

navigation *n* the process or activity of accurately ascertaining one's position and planning and following a route (*Esp*) *navegación*

navy *n* **the ~**, one of the three services of the Armed Forces, in charge of operations at sea (*Esp*) *la armada*. **the Spanish ~** (*Esp*) *la Armada Española*

navy seal *n* a specialist combatant a combined sea, air and land unit, who is trained to work in all three mediums in unconventional conflicts and clandestine operations (*Esp*) *soldado de operaciones especiales*

NBC *abbr adj [archaic]* nuclear, biological and chemical, now replaced by **CBRN** and **CBRNe** (*Esp*) *NBQ*

NCO *abbr ► noncommissioned officer*

neck tab *n* a short band of fabric worn around the neck in place of a necktie. It is worn in female uniforms in some countries (*Esp*) *lazo del uniforme de paseo femenino*

neck warmer *n* a tubular woollen garment which is worn around the neck in cold weather (*Esp*) *brega (para el cuello)*

necktie *n* also **tie**. A strip of material around the shirt collar and tied in a knot at the front with the ends hanging down, typically worn with men's formal clothing (*Esp*) *corbata*

needle *n* **(a)** also **hypodermic ~**, a very thin sharp metal tube, through which a medical injection is given (*Esp*) *aguja* **(b)** a small sharp metal pin with a hole at one end that is used, together with a thread, to make stitches in sewing (*Esp*) *aguja* **(c)** a small metal pin mounted in a **gauge** to indicate a level, temperature, direction, etc. (*Esp*) *aguja*

net control station (NCS) *n* a radio station designated to control traffic and enforce circuit discipline within a radio **network** (*Esp*) *estación directora*

network (net) *n* a system consisting of a number of designated stations connected with one another by any means of communication (*Esp*) *red de comunicaciones*. **directed ~** (*Esp*) *malla dirigida*

neutral *adj* an individual, group of individuals, organisation or nation, which is not hostile to or does support one belligerent force during an armed conflict (*Esp*) *neutral*

neutralization *n* act of neutralizing, or putting a target out of action or a mine incapable of exploding on passage of a target (*Esp*) *neutralización*

neutralize *vt* (*AmE*) **neutralise** (*BrE*) to put a target out of action temporarily by the effect of fire support, which usually means 10 to 30% casualties or material damage (*Esp*) *neutralizar*

next of kin (N of K) *n [singular and plural]* a member of a soldier's family who is designated as the one to be informed in case of death or serious injury (*Esp*) *familiar o pariente más cercano*

NGO *abbr non-governmental organisation*, an international organisation of citizens with a common interest in **humanitarian assistance**, which maintain a consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (*Esp*) *organización no gubernamental, ONG*

night vision device (NVD) *n* also **night observation device (NOD)**. A device which allows one to see in the dark (*Esp*) *dispositivo de visión nocturna*. **Thanks to the night vision devices, we were able to see the enemy.**

NLT *abbr* not later than (*Esp*) *no más tarde de*

NOD *abbr* night observation device (*Esp*) *dispositivo de visión nocturna ► night vision device*

noddy suit *n* (*BrE*) [*informl*] colloquial name for the **CBRN** suit (*Esp*) *traje NBQR*

node *n* a place where lines of communication in a network meet (*Esp*) *nodo*

no-fire area *n* an area on which firing or fire effects are not authorized, except for self defence (*Esp*) *zona prohibida para fuegos*

no-fire line (NFL) *n* a line short of which artillery, aircraft or ships do not fire except on request or approval of the supported commander but beyond which they may fire at any time without danger to friendly troops (*Esp*) *línea de no fuegos*

nomadic *adj* having a traditional way of life that involves frequent travelling from place to place, usu. to hunt for food or to find better land for their herd of animals (*Esp*) *nómada*. **~ tribe** (*Esp*) *tribu nómada*

non-armored *adj* (*AmE*) **non-armoured** (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *sin blindaje, sin blindar*

noncombatant (NC) *n* (AmE) **non-combatant** (BrE) **(a)** an individual in an area of armed conflict who is not armed and is not participating in any activity in support of any of the factions or forces involved (Esp) *persona no combatiente* **(b)** an individual, such as a chaplain or medic, whose duties do not include combat (Esp) *persona no combatiente*

noncommissioned officer (NCO) *n* (AmE) **non-commissioned officer** (BrE) a subordinate officer in the armed forces (e.g. a sergeant) holding a rank below commissioned officers (Esp) *suboficial*

non-governmental organisation *n* ► **NGO**

non-persistent agent *n* [NBC] a chemical agent that remains in the target area for a relatively short period of time after functioning in the munitions; normally measured in minutes, but in exceptional cases, several hours (Esp) *agente no persistente*

north *n* the direction in which a compass needle normally points, towards the horizon on the left-hand side of a person facing east, or the part of the horizon lying in this direction (Esp) *norte*. **North Star** also **Pole Star**, a bright star observed in the Northern Hemisphere that is used as a night-time reference point to establish a northerly direction (Esp) *estrella polar*. **grid** ~ (Esp) *norte de la cuadrícula*. **magnetic** ~ (Esp) *norte magnético*. **true** ~ (Esp) *norte verdadero*

northbound *adj* moving or leading towards the north. **a ~ convoy** (Esp) *un convoy en dirección norte*. **the ~ carriageway (of a motorway)** (Esp) *la calzada en dirección norte (de una autopista)*

north-east *n* the point of the horizon midway between north and east (Esp) *nordeste*

north-easterly *adj adv* ► **north-east**. **They travelled in a ~ direction.**

northerly *adj adv* in a northward position or direction. **They set off in a ~ direction** (Esp) *Salieron en dirección norte*. **the ~ wind** (Esp) *el viento del norte*

northern *adj* relating to the north (Esp) *del norte, septentrional, norteño*. **The ~ part of the country** (Esp) *La parte norte del país*.

northernmost *adj* furthest north. **The ~ point** (Esp) *El punto más al norte, o más septentrional*.

northing *n* one of the coordinates running from bottom to top across a map (Esp) *la coordenada Y u ordenada en un mapa*

northward *adj* towards the north. **A ~ direction.** (Esp) *dirección norte*

northward(s) *adv* towards the north. **The army is moving ~.** (Esp) *El ejército se dirige hacia el norte*.

notch *n* a groove, such as that found on the iron sights of a rifle or cut into wood (Esp) *muesca*

notebook *n* a book, typically size A4 or smaller, with blank pages that is used for taking notes (Esp) *cuaderno*

notice *v* to become aware of (Esp) *darse cuenta de*. **The soldiers noticed that the enemies were observing them.**

NSE *abbr* national support element, which is a supply and support unit of each contributing nation in a multinational operation (Esp) *unidad de apoyo logístico nacional*

NTR *abbr* nothing to report (Esp) *sin novedades*

nuclear defence *n* The methods, plans and procedures involved in establishing and exercising defensive measures against the effects of an attack by nuclear weapons or radiological warfare agents. It encompasses both the training for, and the implementation of, these methods, plans and procedures. (Esp) *defensa atómica*

nuclear weapon *n* a device in which the explosion results from the energy released by reactions involving, nuclear fission or fusion, or both (Esp) *arma nuclear*

nuisance minefield *n* a minefield laid to delay and disorganize the enemy and to hinder its use of an area or particular route (Esp) *campo de minas de interdicción*

number one dress *n* (BrE) A military uniform worn on formal and ceremonial occasions, equivalent to the Army blue uniform in the US Army. (Esp) *uniforme de gala: usado en formaciones y actos militares solemnes, bodas etc.* ► **APPENDIX B**

number one dress hat *n* (BrE) a peaked cap forming part of the **number one dress** or **blues** (Esp) *gorra de plato*. ► **APPENDIX B**

number two dress *n* (BrE) ► **service dress**

O

oath of allegiance *n* a formal act in which service personnel make a solemn promise to support the constitution (in countries where one exists) and to defend it against all enemies, to obey the orders of their president (or prime minister) and monarch (where relevant) and their superior officers, and to defend the crown (and/or president) and the motherland (*Esp*) *juramento (de fidelidad a la bandera)*

objective *n* **(a) (obj)** the physical object of the action taken; for example, a definite terrain feature, the seizure or holding of a place that is essential to the commander's plan, or the destruction of an enemy force without regard to terrain features. **The ~ will be attacked at 0700.** (*Esp*) *Se atacará el objetivo a las 0700.* **(b)** the clearly defined, decisive, and attainable aims which every military operation should be directed towards **(c)** the most important decisive points (*Esp*) *objetivo*

objective area *n* A defined geographical area within which is located an objective to be captured or reached by the military forces. This area is defined by competent authority for purposes of command and control. (*Esp*) *zona objetivo*

objective rally point (ORP) *n* Used so that a patrol or troops can assemble and reorganize if dispersed during movement. It should be large enough for the troops to assemble in, easily recognized on the ground, have cover and concealment, defensible for a short period of time, away from normal routes of troop movement. (*Esp*) *punto de reunión/reorganización en el objetivo.* **After the raid we will meet at the old farm house that will be our ~.**

obscuration *n* The effects of weather, battlefield dust, and debris, or the use of smoke munitions to hamper observation and target-acquisition capability or to conceal activities or movement (*Esp*) *ocultación.* ~ **smoke** is smoke employed on or near the enemy to minimize their vision both within and beyond their position area, or to cause an enemy force to vary speed, inadvertently change direction, deploy prematurely, or rely on non-optical means of communication (*Esp*) *cegamiento con fumígenos.* ► also **screening**

obscure *vt* to prevent something from being seen (*Esp*) *oscurecer, ocultar*

observation post (OP) *n* also **observation point.** Any position, including airborne, from which military observations are made, or fire directed and adjusted, and which possesses appropriate communications (*Esp*) *puesto de observación.* **firing** ~ ~ (*Esp*) *puesto de observación del fuego*

observed fire *n* fire for which the point of impact or burst can be seen by an observer, and which can be controlled and adjusted on the basis of this observation (*Esp*) *fuego observado.*

► also **unobserved fire**

obstacle *n* a natural or man-made restriction to movement which will impose delay and which will normally require specific equipment or munitions to overcome (*Esp*) *obstáculo* ► **barrier.** ~ **course** A course through which you must run, negotiating the obstacles to be climbed, crawled under, crossed on suspended ropes, etc. Used for physical fitness and training. (*Esp*) *pista americana, pista de obstáculos, pista de aplicación.* ~ **fittings** fittings such as racks or chambers designed to receive munitions, and falling rock devices or beam post shafts established for the future implementation of an obstacle (*Esp*) *elementos para montaje del obstáculo.* ~ **plan** That part of an operation plan (OPLAN), or order, which is concerned with the use of obstacles to enhance friendly fires or to affect the movement of an enemy. Obstacle plans are used at corps level and below (*Esp*) *plan de obstáculos.* **tree** ~ (*Esp*) *obstáculo con árboles*

obstacle-free area *n* an area where the laying of obstacles is not authorized (*Esp*) *zona libre de obstáculos* [¡OJO! *debería ser zona prohibida para obstáculos*]

occupation of position *n* movement into and proper organization of an area, usually previously held by enemy forces, to be used as a battle position (*Esp*) *ocupación de una posición.*

► also **positioning**

OCOKA *abbr* obstacle concealment, observation key areas, avenues of approach [*aspects of terrain analysis*]

OCS *abbr* (AmE) Officer Candidate School [*Fort Benning*]

OF-1 *abbr* the rank of Officer 1 (1Lt/2Lt) in the NATO standardised system, which ranges from OF-1 to OF-10 (*Esp*) *OF-1*. ► **APPENDIX A**

offensive *adj* of that used in attack operations (*Esp*) *ofensiva*. ~ **air support** *n* that part of tactical air support of land operations that consists of Tactical Air Reconnaissance, Battlefield Air Interdiction and Close Air Support, which are conducted in direct support of land operations (*Esp*) *apoyo aéreo ofensivo*. ~ **mindset** (*Esp*) *mentalidad ofensiva*

officer (offr) *n* (a) also **commissioned** ~. A person holding a commission in the Army, Navy or Air Force (*Esp*) *oficial*. **Army** ~ (*Esp*) *oficial del ejército (de tierra)*. **general** ~ (*Esp*) *(oficial) general*. **field (grade)** ~ (*Esp*) *oficial superior (Cte, Tcol, Col)*. **company grade** ~ (*Esp*) *oficial (Alf, Tte, Cap)*. **commanding** ~ (*Esp*) *jefe de unidad, oficial al mando de una unidad* (b) **police** ~ (*Esp*) *(agente de) policía*. ► **warrant officer**.

officers call *n* (*AmE*) also **gazette**, a publication containing promotions, appointments, and so on (*Esp*) *boletín oficial (equivalente al BOD)*

official *adj* prescribed or recognized as authorized (*Esp*) *oficial*. ~ **statement** (*Esp*) *declaración oficial*

official *n* person holding a public office, especially as a representative of an organization or government department (*Esp*) *funcionario, representante oficial*. **Army officials have declared that ...** (*Esp*) *Fuentes (oficiales) del ejército han declarado que ...*

off-limits *adj* also **out-of-bounds**. Of an area or building, with access restricted for certain personnel or civilians (*Esp*) *zona no autorizada*

off-road mobility *n* the ability that a vehicle has maneuvering over terrain (*Esp*) *movilidad todo terreno*

off-route mine *n* a mine designed to be placed beside the expected passage of a target (*Esp*) *mina de prohibición de itinerario, mina de acción horizontal*. ► also **aimed controlled effect mine** ► also **horizontal action mine**

OIC *abbr* officer in charge (*Esp*) *oficial de mando*

oil *n* a generic term for a liquid that does not dissolve in water and can be used as a lubricant (*Esp*) *aceite*. **cooking** ~ a liquid derived from vegetable matter, typically sunflowers or olives, that is used in food preparation (*Esp*) *aceite (de cocinar)*. **engine** ~, **motor** ~ a liquid obtained from petroleum that is used to lubricate combustion engines (*Esp*) *aceite (de motor)*. ► also **grease** ► also **POL**

OJT *abbr* on the job training (*Esp*) *formación en el puesto de trabajo*

on-call *adj* signifying a prearranged concentration, air strike or final protective fire that may be called for (*Esp*) *a petición*. ~ **target** (*Esp*) *objetivo bajo petición*

on-the-spot *adj* the place where you are (*Esp*) *in situ*. **Inspections will be conducted ~ rather than depending on satellite pictures.**

OP *abbr* ► **observation post**

op *abbr* military operation (*Esp*) *operación*. ► **operation**

OPCOM *abbr* ► **operational command**

OPCON *abbr* ► **operational control**

open areas *n* these include deserts, tundra and treeless plains (*Esp*) *zonas abiertas o despejadas*. **Tanks operate best in ~.**

opening *n* a hole or empty space, through which things or troops can pass (*Esp*) *apertura, tronera*. **There weren't many openings in Normandy.** (*Esp*) *No hubo muchas vías de entrada en Normandía.*

operate *vt* (a) to carry out military activity (b) to control the functioning of a machine or system. (*Esp*) *operar, manejar*. **Enemy special forces are operating in this region.** (*Esp*) *Fuerzas especiales enemigas están operando en ésta zona.*

operating procedures *n* of a unit are its most basic rules in order to function (*Esp*) *procedimientos operativos*. **standing** ~ (*Esp*) *procedimientos operativos normalizados*

operation (op) *n* on an ~ a piece of organized and concerted activity involving a number of people especially members of the armed forces or the police (*Esp*) *operación*. **offensive** ~ (*Esp*) *operación ofensiva*. ~ **order (OPORD)** A directive issued by a commander to subordinate commanders for the purpose of effecting the coordinated execution of an

operation. Also called the five paragraph field order, it contains as a minimum a description of the task organization, situation, mission, execution, administrative and logistics support, and command and signal for the specified operation (*Esp*) *orden de operaciones*. ~ **plan (OPLAN)** A plan for a single or series of connected operations to be carried out simultaneously or in succession. It is usually based on stated assumptions and is the form of directive employed by higher authority to permit subordinate commanders to prepare supporting plans and orders. The designation 'plan' is usually used instead of 'order' in preparing for operations well in advance. An operation plan may be put into effect at a prescribed time, or on signal, and then becomes the operation order. (*Esp*) *plan de operaciones*. **deep** ~ (*Esp*) *operación en profundidad*. **peacekeeping** ~ (*Esp*) *operación de mantenimiento de la paz* ► **peacekeeping**. **rear** ~ any action rearward of friendly units in contact with the enemy, including area damage control, taken by any unit (combat, combat support, combat service support, and host nation), to secure the force, neutralize or defeat enemy operations in the **rear area**, and ensure freedom of action in deep and close-in operations (*Esp*) *operación de retaguardia*. **special** ~ (*Esp*) *operación especial*. **stabilisation** ~ (*Esp*) *operación de estabilización*. **support** ~ (*Esp*) *operación de apoyo* ► also **stability and support operation**

operational *adj* (a) an intermediate level of war between the Strategic level and the Tactical level (*Esp*) *nivel operacional* (b) engaged in or relating to active operations of the armed forces, law enforce corps or emergency services (*Esp*) *operativo*. **an** ~ **unit** (*Esp*) *una unidad operativa*. ~ **command (OPCOMD)** The authority granted to a commander to assign missions or tasks to subordinate commanders, to deploy units, to re-assign forces and to retain or delegate operational and/or tactical control as necessary. It does not include responsibility for administration or logistics. (*Esp*) *mando operativo*. ~ **command centre (OCC)** (*Esp*) *centro de mando operativo*. ~ **control (OPCON)** The authority delegated to a commander to direct forces assigned so that the commander may accomplish specific missions or tasks which are usually limited by function, time or location; to deploy units concerned, and to retain or assign tactical control of those units. It does not include administration, logistic control, or authority to assign separate employment of components of the units concerned. (*Esp*) *control operativo*. ~ **intelligence (OPINT)** intelligence required for planning and conducting operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia operacional*. ► also **intelligence**. ~ **level of war** the level of war at which campaigns and major operations are planned, conducted and sustained to accomplish strategic objectives within theatres or areas of operations (*Esp*) *nivel operativo de guerra*

operations security (OPSEC) *n* a process that identifies critical information to determine if friendly action can be observed by enemy intelligence systems, establishes whether information obtained by the enemy could be interpreted to be useful to them, and then executes specific measures to eliminate or reduce enemy exploitation of friendly critical information (*Esp*) *seguridad de operaciones*

operative *adj* functioning, having effect (*Esp*) *que funciona, vigente*. **The transmitter is ~.** (*Esp*) *El transmisor funciona*. **The aforementioned law will be ~ by September.** (*Esp*) *La mencionada ley estará vigente en septiembre*.

operative *n* a spy or **secret intelligence service** agent (*Esp*) *espía*

OPINT *abbr* ► **operational intelligence**

OPLAN *abbr* ► **operation plan**

OPSEC *abbr* ► **operations security**

optical tracker *n* a visual device used for sighting and following a target (*Esp*) *seguidor óptico*

optics *n* [plural] a general term for visual devices such as binoculars or rifle sights (*Esp*) *aparatos ópticos*

OR-1 *abbr* the rank of Other Rank 1 (Private) in the NATO standardised system, which ranges from OR-1 to OR-9 (*Esp*) *OR-1*. ► **APPENDIX A**

orchard *n* a piece of enclosed land planted with fruit trees (*Esp*) *huerto, huerta (de árboles frutales)*

order *n* a communication, written, oral, or by signal, which conveys instructions from a superior to a subordinate (*Esp*) *orden*. ~ **of battle** the identification, strength, command structure

and disposition of the personnel, units and equipment of any military force (*Esp*) *organización para el combate*. ► also **fighting** ~, **fragmentary** ~, **marching** ~, **standing** ~, **travel** ~

order *vt* **(a)** to command an action (*Esp*) *ordenar*. **to ~ somebody + inf.** (*Esp*) *ordenar algo a alguien*. **He ordered us to retreat.** (*Esp*) *Nos ordenó que retirásemos*. ► also **command** *vt* **(a)**

orderly *n* also **batman** (*BrE*). An enlisted soldier who is assigned to assist an officer, or group of officers, with daily tasks (*Esp*) *ordenanza*

ordnance *n* [*uncount*] **(a)** military supplies including guns, ammunition, vehicles and equipment (*Esp*) *armamento, material y equipo pesado* **(b)** a branch in the army in charge of the maintenance and storage of weapons, equipment, ammunition and vehicles (*Esp*) *servicio de mantenimiento, (antiguo) servicio de artillería* **(c)** artillery, large guns (*Esp*) *armamento pesado*

organic *adj* assigned to and forming an essential part of a military organization (*Esp*) *orgánico*

organizational *adj* also **organisational** (*BrE*). derivative from organization (*Esp*) *referente a la organización*

organize *vt* also **organise** (*BrE*). to arrange into a structured whole (*Esp*) *organizar*. **The division is organized into brigades.** (*Esp*) *La división se organiza / divide en brigadas*.

orient *vt* also **orientate** (*BrE*). to position something relative to the points of a compass or other specified positions (*Esp*) *orientar*. **When you reach hill 32 ~ the map.**

orientate *vt* (*BrE*) ► **orient**

originator *n* The command by whose authority a message is sent. The responsibility of the originator includes the responsibility for the functions of the drafter and releasing officer. (*Esp*) *remidente, transmisor*

ORP *abbr* ► **objective rally point**

ORV *abbr* off-road vehicle (*Esp*) *vehículo todo terreno*

out *adj* [*proword*] used at end of a radio transmission, when no reply is expected (*Esp*) *fin*

out flank *vt* to go or extend beyond the flank of an opposing military unit, or to outmaneuver or bypass (*Esp*) *desbordar por el flanco*

outer jacket *n* cold weather coat (*Esp*) *chaquetón*

out-of-bounds *adj* also **off-limits**. Of an area or building, with access restricted for certain personnel or civilians (*Esp*) *zona no autorizada*

outpost *n* a small military camp or position that is located at some distance from the main camp or unit, and serves to guard against an attack (*Esp*) *puesto avanzado*. **combat ~ (COP)** (*Esp*) *puesto avanzado de combate*

output *n* the supply from a device or system (*Esp*) *salida, resultados, propuestas*

over *adj* [*proword*] used at the end of a radio transmission, to indicate that a reply is expected (*Esp*) *cambio*

overall *n* **(a)** (*BrE*) a loose-fitting garment like a coat, that is worn over ordinary clothes to protect them from dirt or heavy wear (*Esp*) *bata, túnica* **(b)** [*usu.plural*] also **coveralls** (*AmE*). A full length protective outer garment, which often zips up at the front (*Esp*) *mono (de trabajo)* **(c)** (*BrE*) close-fitting trousers formerly worn as part of an army uniform not only on ceremonial or formal occasions **(d)** [*plural*] (*AmE*), **dungarees** (*BrE*) thick cotton trousers with a piece covering the chest, which is held up by straps over the shoulders (*Esp*) *pantalón de peto*

overhead *adj* *adv* above your head, usually high up (*Esp*) *en lo alto, por encima, elevado* [*paso*], *aéreo* [*cable*]. ~ **burst**, also **airburst**, an explosion of a bomb or projectile above the surface (*Esp*) *explosión en el aire*. ~ **cover (OHC)** (*Esp*) *cubierta horizontal*

overpass *n* also **flyover** (*BrE*) a high-level road, rail or pedestrian bridge that crosses over another road, walkway, buildings, etc (*Esp*) *paso elevado*

overwatch *adv* *n* normal state of readiness of a unit when executing a movement protected by another unit, or ready to provide fire support (*Esp*) *en alerta, en vigilancia, movimiento táctico*. **bounding** ~ also **leapfrogging** (*Esp*) *vigilancia por saltos*. **traveling** ~ (*Esp*) *vigilancia móvil*

P

- pack** *n* **(a)** also **packet**, a small cardboard box and the items within it (*Esp*) *paquete* **(b)** a bag with shoulder straps which allow it to be carried on someone's back, typically made of a strong waterproof material and widely used by soldiers and hikers. ► also **field ~**, **backpack**, **Bergen**, **rucksack**. (*Esp*) *mochila*
- pad** *n* something filled with soft material that is used to protect something or make it more comfortable (*Esp*) *almohadilla*. **knee ~** (*Esp*) *rodilleras*
- paddle** *n* a short pole that is wide and flat at one end, or both, which is used to move a boat (*Esp*) *zagual, pala*
- paddle** *vi* to use a **paddle** or any other wide flat surface to move a boat through water (*Esp*) *remar*
- padlock** *n* a kind of portable **lock**, made of a very hard metal that is opened using a key or by rotating numbered discs to display a predetermined combination (*Esp*) *candado*
- pallet** *n* a portable platform on which goods can be moved, stocked, and stored especially with the aid of a forklift truck (*Esp*) *paleta*
- PALS** *abbr* pouch attachment ladder system, which consists of a grid of straps sewn onto load-bearing equipment, onto which smaller items, such as magazine pouches or knife sheathes, can be attached. It is widely used on assault vests and backpacks. (*Esp*) *≈ sistema de enganche de escalera*
- pants** *n* [*plural*] **(a)** (*AmE*) trousers (*Esp*) *pantalones* **(b)** (*BrE*) piece of men's underwear covering between the waist and the top of the legs (*Esp*) *calzoncillos*. ► also **underpants**
- para** *abbr* **(a)** **paratrooper** (*Esp*) *paracaidista* [*mil.*] **(b)** paragraph (*Esp*) *párrafo*
- PARA** *abbr* **(a)** paragraph(s) (*Esp*) *párrafo(s)* **(b)** paratrooper (*Esp*) *paracaidista*
- parachute** *n* a large cloth shaped so that it reduces the falling speed of a person or thing that drops from an airplane (*Esp*) *paracaídas*. ~ **jump** (*Esp*) *salto con paracaídas*
- parachutist** *n* someone who jumps out of planes with a parachute (*Esp*) *paracaidista*
- parade** *n* **(a)** formal gathering of troops usually for inspection or display (*Esp*) *formación, acto militar* **(b)** formal march of troops (*Esp*) *desfile*. ~ **ground** a place where troops gather for parades (*Esp*) *patio de armas, explanada de desfile*. **on ~** (*Esp*) *en formación* ~ **rest** (*AmE*) **stand at ease** (*BrE*) on hearing this drill command, personnel in formation move their left foot to the left and put their hands behind their back. It can only be given from the position of **attention** (*Esp*) *descanso, ¡descanso, ar!*
- parade** *vi* **(a)** walk or march in public in a military ceremony, formal procession or in an ostentatious or attention-seeking way (*Esp*) *desfilear*. **The battalion will ~ through the town centre.** (*Esp*) *El batallón desfilará por el centro de la ciudad.* **(b)** to assemble in military order for inspection or display (*Esp*) *formar*
- parameters** *n* are factors or limits which affect the way that something can be done or made (*Esp*) *parámetros*
- paramilitary forces** *n* forces or groups which are distinct from the regular armed forces of any country, but resembling them in organization, equipment, training, or mission (*Esp*) *fuerzas paramilitares*
- paratrooper** *n* a soldier who is trained to jump out of a plane using a parachute before engaging the enemy on the ground (*Esp*) *paracaidista* [*mil.*]
- parcel** *n* also **package**, a small cardboard box or large padded envelope and the items within it that is sent by post (*Esp*) *paquete*. ~ **bomb** (*Esp*) *paquete bomba*
- parka** *n* a thick, cold weather coat with a hood (*Esp*) *anorak acolchado con capucha, parka*
- parry** *vi* to turn or ward off an attacking stroke or thrust [*fencing*] (*Esp*) *esquivar, desviar un golpe* [*esgrima*]
- partisan** *n* a member of a party of light or irregular troops engaged in harassing an enemy, especially a member of a guerrilla band engaged in fighting or sabotage against an occupying army (*Esp*) *partisano*. **The real problem in Vietnam was not the North**

Vietnamese in uniform but rather the peasant villagers or partisans who regularly took up arms to fight the Americans.

passage of lines *n* An operation in which a force moves forward or rearward through another force's combat positions with the intention of moving into or out of contact with the enemy. Passing one unit through the positions of another, as when elements of a covering force withdraw through the forward edge of the main battle area, or when an exploiting force moves through the elements of the force that conducted the initial attack. A passage may be designated as a forward or rearward passage of lines. (*Esp*) *paso de línea*

passing out parade *n* a formal ceremony to mark the end of officer training in a military academy (*Esp*) *acto de entrega de despachos*

passive air defence *n* All measures, other than active defence, taken to minimize the effects of hostile air action. These include the use of **cover**, **concealment**, **camouflage**, **dispersion**, and protective construction. (*Esp*) *defensa aérea pasiva* ► also **air defense**

passive infrared *n* ► **PIR**

passive mine *n* a mine which does not emit a signal to detect the presence of a target, in contrast to an active mine (*Esp*) *mina pasiva*

passport *n* an official government document, usu. in the form of a book, that serves to identify a citizen (*Esp*) *pasaporte*

patch *n* a piece of cloth sewn on to clothing as a badge or distinguishing mark (*Esp*) *parche*

path *n* also **footpath**, a way or track laid down for walking on or made by continual treading (*Esp*) *senda, sendero*

pathfinders *n* (a) experienced aircraft crews who lead a formation to the drop zone (DZ), release point, or target (b) teams dropped or airdropped at an objective to establish and operate navigational aids for the purpose of guiding aircraft to drop and landing zones (c) teams air delivered into enemy territory for the purpose of determining the best approach and withdrawal lanes, landing zones, and sites for helicopter forces (*Esp*) *señaladores, exploradores*

patrol *n* a group of soldiers sent out from a larger unit on a mission to get information, fight or for security (*Esp*) *patrulla*. ~ **base (PB)** (*Esp*) *base de patrulla*. **combat** ~ (a) a tactical ground force unit sent out from the main group to engage in independent fighting (*Esp*) *patrulla de combate*. **combat** ~ (b) a detachment assigned to protect the flank, the front or rear of a main fighting group (*Esp*) *patrulla de combate*

payload *n* (a) the passengers or cargo transported by a vehicle, especially aircraft (*Esp*) *carga útil* (b) an explosive warhead carried by an aircraft or missile (*Esp*) *cabeza de guerra*

PB *abbr* (a) personal best [sports] (*Esp*) *record individual* (b) patrol base (*Esp*) *base de patrulla* ► **patrol**

PBIED *abbr* person-based improvised explosive device, which is attached to a **suicide belt** and can either be activated by the wearer or by **remote control** (especially if the wearer is an unwilling victim), although often both systems are incorporated in case the **suicide bomber** changes his or her mind at the last moment or is shot by security forces (*Esp*) *artefacto adosado a una persona*. ► **SIED** ► **improvised explosive device**

PC *abbr* ► **command post**

PCA *abbr* (*Esp*) *circuito impreso* ► **printed circuit assembly**

PCB *abbr* **printed circuit board** (*Esp*) *placa de circuito impreso* ► **circuit board**

PCS *abbr* (*AmE*) permanent change of station (*Esp*) *cambio de destino (permanente)*

PD *abbr* ► **point of departure**

PE *abbr* **physical education** (*Esp*) *educación física*

peace *n* the absence of war and violence (*Esp*) *paz*. ~ **building** all actions taken after a conflict, predominately diplomatic and economic, that strengthen and rebuild governmental infrastructure and institutions in order to avoid a relapse into conflict (*Esp*) *construcción de la paz*. ~ **enforcement** the use of military force, or the threat of it, to compel compliance with resolutions or sanctions designed to maintain or restore peace and order (*Esp*) *imposición de la paz*. ~ **operation** a general term for all forms of peacekeeping operations and peace enforcement operations conducted in support of diplomatic efforts to establish and maintain peace (*Esp*) *operación de paz, misión de paz*

peacekeeping *n* military operations undertaken with the consent of all major parties of a conflict, designed to monitor and facilitate implementation of an agreement, such as a cease fire, and support diplomatic efforts to reach a long-term political settlement (*Esp*) *mantenimiento de la paz*. ~ **operation** (*Esp*) *operación de mantenimiento de la paz*

peacemaking *n* also ~ **process**, the process of diplomacy, mediation, negotiation, or other forms of peaceful settlements that arranges an end to a conflict, and resolves issues that led to it (*Esp*) *proceso de pacificación*

peacetime-prepared obstacle *n* an obstacle for which construction work has been undertaken in peacetime, usually with pre-positioned munitions (*Esp*) *obstáculo preparado en tiempo de paz*

peak *n* the projecting front piece of a cap. ► also **visor** (*Esp*) *visera*. ~ **cap** (*AmE*) **peaked cap** (*BrE*) a flat cap with a peak at the front (*Esp*) *gorra de plato*. ► **APPENDIX B**

peaked cap *n* (*BrE*) ► **peak cap** (*AmE*)

pellet *n* [*count*] a single lead projectile fired by an airgun or a **shotgun** (*Esp*) *perdigón*

penetrate *v* to pass through something (*Esp*) *penetrar*. **Modern anti-tank projectiles are able to ~ up to 600mm of solid steel.**

penetration *n* (a) in land operations, a form of offensive which aims to break through the enemy's defence and disrupt their defensive system (*Esp*) *penetración* (b) the act of piercing or break through, such as armour (*Esp*) *penetración*. ► also **penetrate** *vt*

perimeter fence *n* (*Esp*) *valla perimetral*

periscope *n* a viewing device that enables the user to make observations from above or to the side of a solid obstacle via a small telescopic arm (*Esp*) *periscopio*

permanent obstacle *n* a natural or artificial (man-made) obstacle, already existing and effective in peacetime (*Esp*) *obstáculo permanente*

persistent agent *n* a substance which remains in the target area for a relatively long period, which could be from several hours to, in extreme cases, weeks [*NBC*] (*Esp*) *agresivo persistente*

person *n* (*plural people* o *persons* [*frm*]) (**PAX**) an **individual** (*Esp*) *persona, individuo*. ~ - **based improvised explosive device (PBIED)** (*Esp*) *artefacto adosado a una persona, terrorista suicida* ► **PBIED**. **displaced** ~ a civilian that is involuntarily outside his or her home country due to armed conflict, natural disaster, etc. (*Esp*) *desplazado*

personal *adj* affecting or belonging to a particular person (*Esp*) *personal, individual*. ~ **entrenching tool** a light-weight tool, such as a pickaxe or shovel, carried by infantrymen for digging trenches (*Esp*) *útil de mango corto*. ~ **protection equipment (PPE)** (*Esp*) *equipo de protección personal (EPP)*. ~ **weapon** (*Esp*) *armamento individual*

personnel *n* people employed in an organization or engaged in an organized undertaking such as military service (*Esp*) *personal*

petrol *n* (*BrE*) **gasoline, gas** (*AmE*) a derivative from the refining of crude oil that is used as a fuel in internal combustion engines (*Esp*) *gasolina*. **unleaded** ~ (*Esp*) *gasolina sin plomo*. ► also **POL**

Pfc. *n* (*AmE*) also **PFC.**, Private First Class, NATO OR-3 rank (*Esp*) *equivalente a Soldado De Primera* ► **Appendix A**

PFU *abbr* (*AmE*) **physical fitness uniform**. A uniform consisting of a T-shirt, trunks, sweat pants, and a sweat shirt, which has a hood and a zipper (*Esp*) *uniforme de educación física*

phase line *n* a line utilized for control and co-ordination of military operations usually a terrain feature extending across the zone of action (*Esp*) *línea de coordinación*. ► also **report line**

phenomenon *n* [*plural phenomena*] something that is observed to happen or exist (*Esp*) *fenómeno*

phonetic alphabet *n* also **spelling alphabet**. The words used in the military, the merchant navy, civil aviation, emergency services and by police forces to spell a word, which is useful when there is a lot of background noise or a poor radio signal. In radio communications, this is always preceded by the **PROWORD** "I spell". The phonetic alphabet is: Alfa (*AmE*), Alpha (*BrE*), Bravo, Charlie, Delta, Echo, Foxtrot, Golf, Hotel, India, Juliett (*AmE*), Juliet (*BrE*), Kilo, Lima, Mike, November, Oscar, Papa, Quebec, Romeo, Sierra, Tango, Uniform, Victor, Whiskey (*AmE*), Whisky (*BrE*), X-ray, Yankee, and Zulu. (*Esp*) *alfabeto radiofónico*

phoney minefield *n* an area free of live mines used to simulate a minefield, or section of a minefield, with the object of deceiving the enemy (*Esp*) *campo de minas simulado / falso*

physical education (PE) *n* (*Esp*) *educación física*

physical fitness uniform *n* (*Esp*) *uniforme de educación física*. ► **PFU**

physical training (PT) *n* (*Esp*) *entrenamiento físico*

pick up *vt* to go somewhere to collect something or somebody, typically in one's car and according to a prior arrangement (*Esp*) *recoger*. **I will ~ the ammunition as soon as possible.** (*Esp*) *Recogeré la munición tan pronto como sea posible.*

pickaxe *n* a metal tool on a long wooden handle, with a long curved bar ending with a point at one end and with another point or chisel head at the other, used for breaking up hard ground or rock (*Esp*) *pico*

pick-up zone (PZ) *n* a geographic area used to pick up troops or equipment by helicopter (*Esp*) *zona de recogida*

PID *abbr* positive identification (*Esp*) *identificación positiva* ► **identification**

pierce *v* to penetrate, perforate, bore, or drill (*Esp*) *perforar, penetrar*

pillbox *n* a small, partly underground, reinforced concrete shelter, which is used as an outpost (*Esp*) *fortín, nido de ametralladora* ► also **bunker, shelter**

pin down *vt* to force the enemy to keep their heads down and immobile by providing continuous fire, known as **suppressive fire** (*Esp*) *inmovilizar*

pin-point *n* a precisely identified point, especially on the ground, that locates a very small target, a reference point for rendezvous or for other purposes (*Esp*) *puntito*. ~ **accuracy** (*Esp*) *precisión milimétrica*

pip *n* (*BrE*) also **bath star**. A small symbol, similar to a star, which is worn by an officer to indicate his or her rank (*Esp*) ≈ *estrella*. ► also **star** ► also **stripe**

pipe *n* a tube, usu. long and rigid, for transporting a liquid or gas (*Esp*) *tubo, tubería*. **exhaust** ~ the tube from which waste gases, resulting from the combustion of a fuel, usu. in an engine, are expelled (*Esp*) *tubo de escape*

pipeline *n* a long pipe, typically underground, for conveying oil, gas, etc. over long distances (*Esp*) *oleoducto, canal de abastecimiento, conducto (de agua, etc.)*

PIR *abbr* **passive infrared**, in other words only infrared (ir) light radiated by objects, which is invisible to the human eye (*Esp*) *infrarrojo pasivo*. ~ **sensor** a device that is often used in motion detectors to detect an intruder (*Esp*) *detector de infrarrojo pasivo*. ► also **sensor** ► also **infrared motion sensor**

pistol *n* a small firearm held and fired in one hand (*Esp*) *pistola*. ~ **grip** a handle shaped like the butt of a pistol (*Esp*) *empuñadura (de un arma)*. ► **APPENDIX C**

pit *n* a large hole in the ground (*Esp*) *hoyo, pozo, fosa*

pitch *vi* of a ship or airplane, when the nose rises or falls (*Esp*) *cabecear*. ~ **down** (*Esp*) *cabecear hacia abajo*. ~ **up** (*Esp*) *cabecear hacia arriba*

pivot point *n* a fixed point on which a line of troops turn when changing formation or direction of march (*Esp*) *punto de rotación*

placed mine *n* a mine designed for laying by hand or mechanical means, usually in a pattern (*Esp*) *mina instalada en posición*

planned target *n* in artillery and naval gunfire support, a target on which fire is prearranged (*Esp*) *objetivo planeado*

planning factor *n* In logistics a properly selected coefficient, used in planning to estimate the amount and type of effort involved in a contemplated operation. Planning factors are often expressed as rates, ratios or lengths of time. (*Esp*) *factor de planeamiento*

plaster *n* also **sticking plaster** (*BrE*) **Band-Aid**® (*AmE*) a piece of adhesive fabric with a small antiseptic pad that is put on a minor skin wound to keep it clean (*Esp*) *tirita*

plastic explosive *n* a soft substance containing explosives, that can be easily shaped and will adhere to a wall (*Esp*) *explosivo plástico*

platoon (*plt AmE*) (*pl BrE*) *n* a military unit usually led by a lieutenant, which consists of 3-5 squads or sections (40-50 soldiers) (*Esp*) *sección*. ~ **commander** (*BrE*) (*Esp*) *jefe de*

sección. ~ leader (AmE) (Esp) jefe de sección. engineer ~ (Esp) sección de ingenieros.
weapons ~ (Esp) sección de armas de apoyo
PLCE *abbr (BrE) personal load-carrying equipment. ► also MOLLE, LBE, ALICE (Esp) correa de instrucción y mochila del tipo del PECO español.*
plow tank *n (AmE) a tank fitted with a plow (Esp) carro con arado*
POC *abbr ► point of contact*
pocket flap *n a piece of cloth hanging down to cover the opening of a pocket in a shirt, combat trousers, etc. (Esp) tapa (de bolsillo). ► APPENDIX B*
point *vt to aim or direct, such as a finger at a person, or a weapon at a target (Esp) apuntar. He pointed his gun at the officer (Esp) Apuntó su arma al oficial.*
point of contact (POC) *n an easily identifiable location where two or more units have planned to meet (Esp) punto de contacto*
point of departure (PD) *n the location where the troops start a mission (Esp) punto de partida.*
The ~ is located somewhere on the line of departure.
point of origin (POO) *n the location from which a shot is fired, a smoke screen is produced, a chemical agent is released, etc. (Esp) punto de origen*
POL *abbr petrol, oil and lubricants. Products that belong to SUPPLY-Class III (Esp) gasolinas, aceites y lubricantes. ► also grease ► also lubricant ► also oil ► also petrol*
polar plot *n (Esp) coordenadas polares*
Pole Star *n ► North Star*
polymaking *n the making of policies (Esp) acción de formulación de la política a seguir. Gentlemen, this is the ~ the Ministry of Defense will follow. (Esp) Esta es la política a seguir por parte del Ministerio de Defensa.*
polish *vt make the surface of something smooth and shiny by rubbing it (Esp) sacar brillo*
poncho *n a garment made of a square piece of material with a slit in the middle for the head. The original model, worn by the Indians in South America, is made of a thick piece of woollen cloth. Nowadays ponchos made of plastic or other waterproof material with a hood are common as outer garment for soldiers and campers (Esp) poncho. ~ tent, also basha [infml] (BrE) a simple refuge made from a poncho (Esp) vivaque. ► also hooch*
pond *n a fairly small body of still water formed naturally or by artificial means (Esp) estanque, foso. ► also lake ► also reservoir*
POO *abbr ► point of origin*
pool *n a small area of still water, typically one formed naturally (Esp) charca, alberca*
port *n a small window in the side of a ship or armored vehicle (Esp) ventanilla, escotilla, tronera*
port of debarkation (POD) *n The geographic point at which cargo or personnel are discharged. May be a seaport or aerial port of debarkation. For unit requirements, it may or may not coincide with the destination. (Esp) puerto de desembarque*
port of embarkation (POE) *n The geographic point in a routing scheme from which cargo or personnel depart. May be a seaport or aerial port from which personnel and equipment flow to port of debarkation. For unit and nonunit requirements, it may or may not coincide with the origin. (Esp) puerto de embarque*
portable *adj of equipment that is easy to transport (Esp) portátil*
position *n the area occupied by combat elements (Esp) posición. The enemy ~ was strongly defended. (Esp) La posición enemiga estaba fuertemente defendida.*
positioning *n movement into and proper organization of a predetermined area to be used as a battle position (Esp) entrada en posición. ► also occupation of position*
post *n (a) a military installation or tactical position (Esp) puesto. The command ~ is in that trench. (Esp) El puesto de mando está en esa trinchera. (b) a job or position in an organisation (Esp) puesto (de trabajo) (c) a long thick piece of wood, metal, or concrete set vertically in the ground, esp. along a fence (Esp) poste. fence ~ (Esp) poste de vallado*
post *v to assign personnel to a new location for a particular job or task (Esp) destinar, enviar. to be posted to [passive] (Esp) estar destinado en*
pothole *n a hole that appears in a deteriorated road surface, caused by heavy traffic and bad weather (Esp) bache*

pouch *n* a small bag, or other flexible receptacle, typically carried in a pocket or attached to a belt (*Esp*) *cartuchera, bolsa, bolsillo*. ~ **attachment ladder system** (*Esp*) ≈ *sistema de enganche de escalera* ► **PALS. ammunition ~, cartridge ~** (*Esp*) *cartuchera*

pound (lb) *n* a unit of weight equal to 0.4536 kilograms or 16 ounces, and 14 pounds is equal to 1 stone (*Esp*) *libra [peso]*

POW *abbr* also **PW**, prisoner of war (*Esp*) *prisionero de guerra*. ~ **camp** (*Esp*) *campo de prisioneros de guerra*. ► also **prisoner**

power *n* **(a)** military strength (*Esp*) *poder* **(b)** a state or country with international influence which is based upon military strength (*Esp*) *poder, potencia*. **fire~** (*Esp*) *potencia de fuego* **(c)** the rate of doing work or the rate of expending energy. The unit of electrical measurement is the watt. (*Esp*) *potencia*. ~ **generator** equipment that converts mechanical energy into electricity, usually powered by diesel or petrol (*Esp*) *generador, grupo electrógeno*. ~ **output** the amount of electricity produced by a power generator or radio set (*Esp*) *potencia de salida*. ~ **source** (*Esp*) *fuelle de alimentación*. **auxiliary ~ unit (APU)** (*Esp*) *unidad auxiliar de potencia*

powerpack *n* engine, motor. **The tank's ~ is easily removed for maintenance.** (*Esp*) *motor*

powerplant *n* engine, motor (*Esp*) *motor*

power-to-weight-ratio *n* The number of horsepower a vehicle has divided by the number of tons an armored vehicle weighs. Most MBT's have a power to weight ratio of 20 to 30. (*Esp*) *relación peso potencia*

PPE *abbr* ► **personal protection equipment**

practice *n* repeated exercise in or performance of an activity or skill so as to acquire or maintain proficiency in it. **We have to give our men ~ in marching.** (*Esp*) *práctica*. ~ **mine** *n* In land mine warfare, an inert mine which is fitted a fuze and a device to indicate, in a non-lethal fashion, that the fuze has been activated. (*Esp*) *mina para practicas*

prearranged fire *n* fire that is formally planned, usually well in advance, and executed at a specified time against known targets (*Esp*) *fuego planeado*

prechamber system *n* (*Esp*) *sistema de cámara*

preliminary demolition target *n* a target, other than a **reserved demolition target**, which is earmarked for destruction and which can be executed immediately after preparation, provided that prior authority has been given (*Esp*) *destrucción preparada*

preparation fire *n* fire delivered on a target in preparation for an assault (*Esp*) *fuego de preparación*

pre-position *vt* to place military units, equipment, or supplies at or near the point of planned use or at a designated location to reduce reaction time, and to ensure timely support of a specific force during the initial phases of an operation (*Esp*) *preposicionar*

prescribed load *n* the quantities of essential combat supplies and spares held by a unit for a certain number of days (*Esp*) *dotación*

pressure mine *n* in land mine warfare, a mine whose fuze responds to the direct pressure of a target (*Esp*) *mina de presión*

primary *adj* used to describe something that is extremely important for someone or something (*Esp*) *principal*. **The lack of supplies was the ~ cause of the defeat.** (*Esp*) *La falta de abastecimientos fue la principal causa de la derrota*. ~ **site** *n* The preferred location, after considering all the advantages and disadvantages. For example, as the best place to locate a radio. (*Esp*) *asentamiento principal*

prime mover *n* ► **tractor. This vehicle is composed of a ~ and a trailer.** (*Esp*) *Este vehículo está compuesto por una cabeza tractora y un remolque (trailer)*.

primer *n* In a round of ammunition, it is a small explosive device, usually fitted to the center base of the cartridge case, that activates the propellant charge when it is struck by the firing pin. Also called **cartridge cap** (*Esp*) *estopín, cápsula iniciadora*

prisoner *n* a person who is held in captivity, especially someone in a prison serving a sentence for a **crime** they have committed (*Esp*) *prisionero, preso*. ► also **detainee**. ~ **of war** (*Esp*) *prisionero de guerra* ► **POW**

private (pte) *n* the lowest rank in the Army and in the US Marine Corps (*Esp*) *soldado*. ~ **first class** enlisted rank in the US Army and Marine Corps above private and below corporal (*Esp*) *soldado de primera*

procedure word (PROWORD) *n* a word or phrase limited to radio telephone procedure used to facilitate communications by conveying information in a condensed standard form (Reference ACP 125) (*Esp*) *voz tipo*

procedures *n* [count] a series of actions, which are carried out in specific sequence or manner (*Esp*) *procedimientos*. **standing operating** ~ a set of instructions, produced by an arm, grouping or unit, which explain exactly how various duties and tasks should be carried out (*Esp*) *procedimientos operativos permanentes*

projectile *n* an object capable of being propelled by a force, normally from a gun, and continuing in motion by virtue of its kinetic energy (*Esp*) *proyectil*

promote *vt* (a) to advance or raise to a higher position or rank [*usu. passive*] **to be promoted to** (*Esp*) *ascender a (empleo)*. **I was promoted to Major.** (*Esp*) *Ascendí a comandante*. † promoted to Major. (b) encourage, popularise (*Esp*) *promover, fomentar*. **The General is trying to ~ safe driving habits.**

promotion *n* the fact of being raised in rank (*Esp*) *ascenso*. ~ **ladder** (*Esp*) *escalafón*

prone position *n* the horizontal position of a person when he or she is face down on the ground (*Esp*) *posición de tendido*. **You can shoot a rifle from the ~.** (*Esp*) *Se puede disparar un fusil desde la posición de tendido*.

propaganda *n* any form of communication aimed at influencing the opinions, emotions, attitudes or behaviour of a large group of people (*Esp*) *propaganda*

propagation *n* the travel of electromagnetic waves through space or along a transmission line (*Esp*) *propagación electromagnética*

propellant *n* also ~ **charge**, ~ **powder**. An explosive used to propel a projectile or missile by the expansion of high-pressure gas produced by burning (*Esp*) *carga de proyección*

property book *n* also ~ **record**. A record book kept in a unit, in which the equipment not belonging to individuals is listed (*Esp*) *libro de efectos, acta de material a cargo*

property book officer *n* the officer responsible for organizational and installation property records of a unit (*Esp*) *depositario de efectos*

protected frequencies *n* frequencies used by tactical friendly forces for a particular operational requirement that are restricted from friendly jamming operations (*Esp*) *frecuencias protegidas*

protective clothing *n* clothing especially designed, fabricated or treated to protect personnel against hazards in their physical environment, dangerous working conditions or enemy action (*Esp*) *traje de protección*

protective measures *n* The things done by the leader to see that the unit is protected, or the things each individual does for his or her own protection. These include the use of camouflage, digging trenches, and looking out for the enemy. (*Esp*) *medidas protectoras*

protective minefield *n* in land mine warfare, a minefield employed to assist a unit in its local, close-in protection (*Esp*) *campo de minas de protección*

prototype *n* the first **full-scale** working model of a new design, which is thoroughly tested prior to mass production (*Esp*) *prototipo*

protractor *n* an instrument for measuring angles, typically in the form of a flat semicircle marked with degrees along the curved edge (*Esp*) *transportador (de ángulos), limbo graduado*

provide *vt* to make available, supply (*Esp*) *proporcionar, proveer*

provost *n* (a) military police (*Esp*) *policía militar*. ~ **marshal** the head of a unit of military police (*Esp*) *jefe de policía militar*

PROWORD *abbr* ► **procedure word**

PT *abbr* **physical training** (*Esp*) *entrenamiento físico*

PT shoes *n* [plural] **physical training** footwear, running shoes (*Esp*) *zapatillas de deporte*.
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pullover *n* a knitted garment with long sleeves, worn over the upper body. ► also **sweater**, **jersey**, **jumper** (*Esp*) *jersey*

punishment book *n* a record book in which the details of personnel receiving punishment for wrongdoing is listed (*Esp*) *libro de arrestados*

pursuit *n* an offensive operation designed to catch or cut off a hostile force attempting to escape, with the aim of destroying it (*Esp*) *persecución*

put on *vt* place a garment on part of one's body (*Esp*) *ponerse (una prenda)*. **He ~ his service dress and went away.** (*Esp*) *Se puso el uniforme de paseo y se marchó.*

PX *abbr* ► **exchange**

pyramidal *adj* built on a broad supporting base and narrowing gradually to an apex (*Esp*) *piramidal*

PZ *abbr* ► **pick-up zone**

Q

qualification *n* an officially recognised aptitude, usually through examination, in a specific activity (*Esp*) *certificación, certificado*. **He obtained the ~ in arms.**

quartermaster (QM) *n* **(a)** the department or branch in the US and British Armies that is responsible for supplies, administering the barracks, laying out a camp, etc. ~ **sergeant** a senior rank of NCO in the US and British Armies, above sergeant, employed on administrative duties. (*Esp*) *el término quartermaster sergeant no tiene traducción al español, puede dejarse en inglés en cursiva* **(b)** a naval petty officer with particular responsibility for navigation and signals (*Esp*) *timonero*

quarters *n* [*plural*] a place or buildings used for housing of military personnel and family members (*Esp*) *cuartel, casa militar*

quay *n* /ki:/ a stone or metal platform lying alongside or projecting into water for loading or unloading ships (*Esp*) *muelle (de puerto)*. **There are several quays available for this type of carrier.** (*Esp*) *Hay varios muelles útiles para este tipo de barco de transporte.*

quayside *n* /'ki:said/ a quay and the area around it (*Esp*) *muelle (el puerto)*. ► also **quay**

R

radar coverage *n* the limits within which objects can be detected by one or more radar stations (*Esp*) *cortina de radar, cobertura de radar*

radiate *vt* to transmit RF energy (*Esp*) *radiar energía*

radio channel *n* a band of adjacent frequencies having sufficient width to permit its use for radio communication (*Esp*) *canal de radio*

radio frequency (RF) *n* any frequency of electrical energy capable of propagation into space, usually above 20 kHz (*Esp*) *radio frecuencia*

radio set *n* also **two-way radio**, an apparatus for sending and receiving radio messages (*Esp*) *aparato o estación de radio, transceptor*. ► also **walkie-talkie**

radio silence *n* a period during which all or certain radio equipment capable of radiation is kept inoperative (*Esp*) *silencio radio*

radio software *n* programmable software to control radio operation, as used by the latest PR4G Fastnet (*Esp*) *software para radio*

radio wave *n* electromagnetic waves at a frequency lower than 3000 GHz and propagated through space without an artificial guide (*Esp*) *onda de radio*

radioactive *adj* of that emitting radiation spontaneously, which can harm living things (*Esp*) *radiactivo, radioactivo*. ~ **material** (*Esp*) *materia radiactiva*. **highly ~ plutonium** (*Esp*) *plutonio altamente radiactivo*

radiological dispersal device (RDD) *n* (*Esp*) *bomba radioactiva*. ► **dirty bomb**

radiotelephone operator (RATELO) *n* (*Esp*) *operador de radioteléfono*

RAF *abbr* (*BrE*) **the** ~. Royal Air Force. Formed in 1918 by the union of the Royal Flying Corps [1912] and the Royal Naval Air Service [1914] (*Esp*) *la Fuerza Aérea británica, RAF*

raid *n* an operation, usually small scale, involving a swift penetration of hostile territory to secure information, confuse the enemy or destroy his installations. It ends with a planned withdrawal upon completion of the assigned mission. (*Esp*) *incursión* **The mission of the ~ amounted to going in behind enemy lines and capturing an enemy general and bringing him back for interrogation.** *air* ~ (*Esp*) *bombardeo aéreo*

raiders *n* the troops who participate in a raid (*Esp*) *guerrilleros* **The ~ were a group of highly trained men who really knew their mission.**

raiding party *n* the team which consists of members of a raid (*Esp*) *partida de guerrilleros* **The ~ consisted of a security group of four men and an attack group of six.**

railroad *n* (*AmE*), **railway** (*BrE*) a track or set of tracks made of steel rails along which passengers and cargo trains run (*Esp*) *ferrocarril*. ~ **track** a continuous line of rails on a railroad/railway (*Esp*) *vía de tren*. **double track** ~ (*Esp*) *ferrocarril de doble vía*. **single track** ~ (*Esp*) *ferrocarril de una sola vía*. **standard gauge** ~ (*Esp*) *ferrocarril de ancho normal*. **narrow gauge** ~ (*Esp*) *ferrocarril de vía estrecha*

raincoat *n* a long jacket or coat, typically having a belt, made from waterproofed or water-resistant fabric (*Esp*) *impermeable, chubasquero*

rally *vi* (troops) come together again in order to continue fighting after a defeat or dispersion (*Esp*) *reunir, reorganizar*. **The troops rallied and drove back the king's infantry.** (*Esp*) *Las tropas se reagruparon e hicieron retroceder a la infantería del rey.*

rally point *n* also **rallying point**. an easily identifiable point on the ground at which units can reassemble and reorganize if they become dispersed, or aircrews and passengers can assemble and reorganize following an incident requiring a forced landing (*Esp*) *punto de reunión*

RAMP *abbr* A mnemonic for individual soldiers to remember the standing rules of force: **R**eturn fire with aimed fire, **A**nticipate attack, **M**easure the amount of force that you use, **P**rotect with deadly force only human life and property designated by your commander.

rampart *n* [*archaic*] a thick stone wall or wide obstacle made of earth, erected to provide perimeter protection to, for example, a castle (*Esp*) *muralla, terraplén*

random mine laying *n* in land mine warfare, the laying of mines without regard to pattern (*Esp*) *tendido (de minas) sin ley de formación*

range *n* **(a)** the distance between any given point and an object or target (*Esp*) *alcance (de un arma)*. **long** ~ (*Esp*) *de largo alcance*. **maximum** ~ the longest distance a projectile travels when fired from a weapon held at the optimum angle (*Esp*) *alcance máximo*. **maximum effective** ~ the maximum distance at which a weapon may be expected to fire accurately to achieve the required result (*Esp*) *alcance máximo eficaz*. **short** ~ (*Esp*) *de corto alcance* **(b)** the distance a vehicle can travel without refuelling (*Esp*) *autonomía (de un vehículo)* **(c) firing ~, shooting ~, rifle ~** (*Esp*) *campo de tiro* **(d)** a variety or selection of something (*Esp*) *gama*. **a wide ~ of** (*Esp*) *una amplia gama de* **(e)** a line or series of mountains or hills (*Esp*) *cordillera, cadena montañosa*. **The coastal ranges of the north-west USA are really beautiful.**

rangefinder *n* a device which determines the distance to a specific object (*Esp*) *telémetro*

rank *n* **(a)** a position in the hierarchy of the armed forces (*Esp*) *empleo, graduación o grado (militar)* ~ **insignia** (*Esp*) *insignias, divisas*. ~ **slide** (*BrE*) a tube-shaped piece of cloth showing a person's rank, which is designed to fit over an **epaulette**, although with the modern combat uniform it is worn on the centre of the chest (*Esp*) *manguito (para las divisas)* **(b)** a single line of troops arranged side by side (*Esp*) *fila*

rate *n* the speed with which something happens (*Esp*) *cadencia*. ~ **of fire** the number of rounds fired by a weapon per minute (*Esp*) *cadencia de fuego*. **550 rpm is the ~ of fire of this new weapon** (*Esp*) *550 dpm es la cadencia de esta nueva arma*. ~ **of march** The average number of miles or kilometers to be traveled in a given period of time, including all ordered halts. It is expressed in miles or kilometers per hour. (*Esp*) *velocidad de marcha*

RATELO *abbr* radiotelephone operator (*Esp*) *operador de radioteléfono*

rations (**rat**) *n* an amount of food supplied on a regular basis, especially to members of the armed forces. **combat** ~ (*Esp*) *ración de combate*

ravine *n* a deep, narrow gorge with steep sides (*Esp*) *barranco, garganta*

raw material *n* the basic material from which a product is made (*Esp*) *materia prima*

RCIED *abbr* **remote-control improvised explosive device** (*Esp*) *aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto*. ►also **improvised explosive device** ►also **CREW** ►also **remote control**

RDD *abbr* **radiological dispersal device** (*Esp*) *bomba radioactiva*. ►**dirty bomb**

RDVP *abbr* **rendez vous point** (*Esp*) *punto de encuentro*

reach *vt* to get to a place, arrive at (*Esp*) *alcanzar, llegar a*. **The engineers reached the minefield.** (*Esp*) *Los ingenieros llegaron al campo de minas*.

reachable *adj* derivative from reach (*Esp*) *alcanzable*

readability *n* the clarity of a radio message (*Esp*) *nivel de inteligibilidad*. ►also **signal strength**

realm *n* **(a)** the region, sphere, or domain within which anything occurs, prevails or dominates (*Esp*) *esfera* **(b)** the special province or field of something or someone (*Esp*) *campo*. **Carl Sagan was the most popular scientist within the ~ of astrophysics.**

rear area *n* for any particular command, a zone mainly for support functions extending forward from its rear boundary to the rear of the zone assigned to the next lower level of command (*Esp*) *zona de retaguardia*

rear command post *n* Those staff activities concerned primarily with combat service support (**CSS**) of the force, administrative support of the headquarters, and other activities not immediately concerned with current operations. Typical representatives within the rear echelon are elements of the G1 and G4 sections, G5, adjutant general, staff judge advocate, inspector general, surgeon, provost marshal, supporting military intelligence elements concerned with counterintelligence and prisoner of war interrogation activities, and the tactical airlift representative of the tactical air control party. Normally rear **PCs** are near or collocated with CSS units. (*Esp*) *puesto de mando retrasado*

rear echelon *n* elements of a force which are not required in the objective area (*Esp*) *escalón retrasado*

rear guard *n* **(a)** the rearmost elements of an advancing or withdrawing force. It has the following functions: 1. to protect the rear of a column from hostile forces, 2. during the withdrawal, to delay the enemy, 3. during the advance, to keep supply routes open (*Esp*) *retaguardia* **(b)** a security detachment which a moving ground force details to the rear to keep it informed and covered (*Esp*) *retaguardia*

rear operation *n* any action rearward of friendly units in contact with the enemy, including area damage control, taken by any unit (combat, combat support, combat service support, and host nation), to secure the force, neutralize or defeat enemy operations in the **rear area**, and ensure freedom of action in deep and close-in operations (*Esp*) *operación de retaguardia*. ►also **operation**

rebuilding *n* something that has been rebuilt, especially a vehicle or other machine (*Esp*) *reconstrucción*

recce *abbr* (*BrE*) **recon** (*AmE*) **(a)** *n* **reconnaissance** (*Esp*) *reconocimiento* **(b)** *vt* to **reconnoitre** (*Esp*) *reconocer*

receiver *n* the portion of a rifle or other firearm that holds the barrel and houses the bolt and firing mechanism (*Esp*) *cajón de los mecanismos*

recognition *n* the act of identifying friendly or hostile elements, such as aircraft or tanks, or of emissions, such as communications or electronic radiation (*Esp*) *identificación*

recoil *n* the rapid, backward movement of a weapon or its recoil-absorbing mechanism which balances the opposite force of the projectile's motion in the bore (*Esp*) *retroceso*

recoil *vi* to move backwards when fired [*guns and firing mechanisms*] (*Esp*) *retroceder*

recoilless *adj* not having a recoil mechanism (*Esp*) *sin retroceso*

recon *abbr* (*AmE*) **recce** (*BrE*) **(a)** *n* **reconnaissance** (*Esp*) *reconocimiento* **(b)** *vt* to **reconnoiter** (*Esp*) *reconocer*

reconnaissance *n* **(recce)** (*BrE*) **(recon)** (*AmE*) a mission undertaken to obtain, by visual observation or other detection methods, information about the activities and resources of an enemy (*Esp*) *reconocimiento*. ~ **and surveillance plan** (*Esp*) *plan de reconocimiento y vigilancia*. ~ **by fire** a method of reconnaissance in which fire is placed on a suspected

enemy position to cause the enemy to disclose a presence by movement or return of fire (Esp) *reconocimiento por el fuego*. ~ **in force** an offensive operation designed to discover and/or test the enemy's strength or to obtain other information (Esp) *reconocimiento en fuerza*. **air** ~ (Esp) *reconocimiento aéreo*

reconnoiter *vt* (AmE) **reconnoître** *vt* (BrE) to make a military observation of an area (Esp) *reconocer (terreno, área, zona)*

reconnoitered *adj* derivative from **reconnoiter** (Esp) *reconocido (de terreno, área, zona)*

reconnoître *vt* (BrE) ► **reconnoiter** (AmE)

recovery *n* the action or process of regaining possession or control of something that has been damaged or lost. (Esp) *recuperación (de material)*

recruit *n* also **new** ~. someone who has recently joined the armed forces and is undergoing basic training (Esp) *soldado nuevo*

recruit *v* to find potential new personnel and encourage them to join the armed forces (Esp) *reclutar, contratar*

redeployment *n* the transfer of a unit, an individual, or supplies deployed in one area to another area, or to another location within the area, or to the zone of interior for the purpose of further employment (Esp) *redespliegue*

reel *n* also **spool**, a roll of wire or cable (Esp) *bobina, rollo*. ► also **spool out** *vt*

reflection *n* turning back of a radio wave from an object or the surface of the Earth (Esp) *reflexión*

refraction *n* bending, or change in direction, of a radio wave passing into a layer of atmosphere or the ionosphere (Esp) *refracción*

refuel *vi vt* to fill the fuel tank of a vehicle, ship or plane (Esp) *repostar, reabastecerse (de combustible)*

refugee *n* a civilian who, due to real or imagined danger, has left home to find safety elsewhere (Esp) *refugiado*

regiment (regt) *n* Army unit consisting of a number of battalions, usually 3-5, plus a headquarter(s) unit. It is usually commanded by a colonel. In many armies (including those of Britain and France) a regiment may have only one battalion (Esp) *regimiento*

rehearsal *n* The process of practicing a plan before actual execution. Rehearsals assist units in clarifying the scheme of maneuver, synchronizing the battlefield operating systems, orienting subordinates to the positions and actions of other units, and practicing any possible branches and sequels from the decision support matrix. The rehearsal should not be allowed to digress into a war game. If the commander identifies problems with the synchronization, he should direct a rehearsal after the issues are resolved to ensure all participants clearly understand the required actions. (Esp) *ensayo*

rehearse *v* to train or practice for some performance (Esp) *ensayar*. **Rehearsing for the raid meant we had to study maps, synchronise our watches and constantly answer the lieutenant's questions concerning what each man had to do.**

reinforce *vt* to make a unit stronger by sending more troops, equipment and weapons (Esp) *reforzar*

reinforced *adj* made stronger (Esp) *reforzado*. ~ **concrete arch** (Esp) *arco de hormigón reforzado*. ~ **concrete bridge** (Esp) *punto de hormigón reforzado*

reinforcements *n* additional troops, equipment or weapons sent to **reinforce** a unit (Esp) *refuerzos*. **Our ~ will arrive by helicopter.** (Esp) *Nuestros refuerzos llegarán en helicóptero.*

reinforcing *ger.* a tactical mission in which one artillery unit augments the fire of another (Esp) *refuerzo*

relative *n* a member of someone's family (Esp) *familiar*. ► also **next of kin**

relay *n* a transmission forwarded through an intermediate station (Esp) *relé*. ~ **station**, ~ **terminal**, **booster station** device to receive, reinforce and retransmit radio signals (Esp) *estación repetidora*

release point *n (a)* a well defined point on a route at which the elements composing a column return under the authority of their respective commanders, each one of these elements continuing its movement towards its appropriate destination (Esp) *punto de relevo*. **Once**

we reached the ~ the Captain turned over the responsibility for the mission to each of his platoon leaders. (b) in air transport, a point on the ground directly above which the first paratrooper or item of cargo is air dropped (Esp) *punto de lanzamiento*

reliability *n* the degree of trust or that something or someone has (Esp) *fiabilidad*

relief *n* (a) difference in height from the surrounding terrain (Esp) *relieve*. The sharp ~ of many mountains helps you to understand the map much better. ~ map a map indicating hills and valleys by shading rather than by contour lines alone (b) ~ in place (RIP) An operation in which, by direction of higher authority, all or part of a unit is replaced in an area by the incoming unit. The responsibilities of the replaced elements for the mission and the assigned zone of operations are transferred to the incoming unit. The incoming unit continues the operation as ordered. (Esp) *relevo sobre el terreno*

remote control *n* in barrier operations, the ability to arm, disarm, neutralize, sterilize, change the state of readiness, activate or detonate a mine or charge from a distance (Esp) *control a distancia, control remoto*. ~ improvised explosive device (RCIED) (Esp) *aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto*

remote delivery *n* In mine warfare, the delivery of mines to a target area by any means other than direct emplacement. The exact position of mines so laid may not be known. (Esp) *lanzamiento a distancia (de minas)*

rendezvous (RV) *n* (a) a meeting of troops, ships, or aircraft at an agreed time and place (Esp) *reunión encuentro*. Our next ~ is due at 1200 hours. (b) a place designated for a meeting or assembling of troops (Esp) *lugar de reunión*. After the attack we will ~ at the bridge.

repair *n* something that it is done to mend an item of clothing or equipment, or other thing that has been damaged or is not working properly (Esp) *reparación*. This car is beyond ~. (Esp) *Este coche no se puede arreglar*.

repair *vt* fix or mend a thing suffering from a damage or a fault (Esp) *reparar*. The armorer is going to ~ the machinegun. (Esp) *El armero va a reparar la ametralladora*.

repel *vt* to fight against and drive back (Esp) *repeler*. ~ an attack (Esp) *repeler un ataque*

repellent *n* also *repellant*. ► insect repellent ► mosquito repellent

report (RPT, REP) *n* an account, usu. official (Esp) *informe*. Give me a written ~ on that accident tomorrow morning. (Esp) *Entrégue me un informe por escrito sobre ese accidente mañana por la mañana*. ~ line a boundary at which troops, after having reached it, must report to their command echelon (Esp) *línea de notificación*. situation ~ (SITREP) an account of the current status (Esp) *informe de situación*

report *vi vt* (1) *vi* present oneself (Esp) *presentarse*. Private Woods reporting for duty, sir! (Esp) *A sus órdenes mi capitán / teniente / coronel, se presenta el soldado Woods (para realizar un servicio o trabajo)*. (a) to ~ to somebody (Esp) *presentarse a alguien*. Lieutenant Jones, ~ immediately to the company commander. (Esp) *Teniente Jones, preséntese inmediatamente al jefe de la compañía*. (b) to ~ at/to a place (Esp) *presentarse en un lugar*. After a weekend leave, all cadets must ~ at the Academy before 22:00. (Esp) *Después de un permiso de fin de semana, todos los cadetes deben presentarse en la Academia antes de las 22:00*. (2) *vt* notify (Esp) *dar novedades, dar parte, informar*. Nothing to ~. (Esp) *No hay novedad, Sin novedad*. (a) to ~ something to somebody (Esp) *dar parte de algo a alguien / informar de algo a alguien*. The patrol leaders must ~ any incident to the Company HQ by radio. (Esp) *Los jefes de patrulla deben informar / dar parte de cualquier incidente al puesto de mando de la compañía por radio*. I saw you cheating in the exam, I'm sorry but I will ~ it to the Major. (Esp) *Os vi copiando en el examen, lo siento pero voy a dar parte al Comandante*. to ~ somebody to a superior (Esp) *dar parte de alguien a un superior* (b) to ~ that something has happened (Esp) *informar de que algo ha ocurrido* (c) to ~ on something (to somebody) (Esp) *informar de / sobre algo (a alguien)*

request *n* an act of asking politely or formally for something (Esp) *solicitud, petición*. Class II supplies were requested yesterday. (Esp) *Se solicitaron ayer los abastecimientos de la Clase II*.

request *vt* to ask for something (*Esp*) *solicitar, pedir*. **The colonel has requested the report.** (*Esp*) *El coronel ha solicitado el informe.*

requirement *n* something a person needs (*Esp*) *necesidad, requisito*. **What are the requirements of the British army?** (*Esp*) *¿Cuáles son las necesidades del ejército inglés?*

requisition *n* an authoritative request for personnel, supplies, or services which are authorized but not made available without a specific request (*Esp*) *requisa*

rescue *n* to free or deliver from confinement (*Esp*) *rescate*. **Ten people were rescued from the burning airplane.**

reserve *n* units or sub-units which are held back from an engagement, so that they can be used to reinforce or support any unit which gets into difficulties (*Esp*) *reserva*. **Shouldn't the reserves deploy?** (*Esp*) *¿No deberían desplegar las reservas?* ~ **echelon** ► **echelon**

reserved demolition target *n* a target for demolition, the destruction of which must be controlled at a specific level of command because it plays a vital part in the tactical or strategical plan, or because of the importance of the structure itself, or because the demolition may be executed in the face of the enemy (*Esp*) *destrucción reservada*. ► also **preliminary demolition target**

reservist *n* a member of the military **reserve** forces (*Esp*) *reservista*

reservoir *n* /ˈrezəvwaː/ a large artificial lake created by building a **dam**, which is used to store and supply water (*Esp*) *pantano, embalse*. ► also **lake** ► also **pond**

resistance *n* the efforts of defense (*Esp*) *resistencia*. **We met enemy ~ before entering the town.** (*Esp*) *Nos encontramos con resistencia enemiga antes de entrar la ciudad.*

resources *n* [count] a stock or supply of money, materials, staff, and other assests that can be drawn on by a person or organization in order to function effectively (*Esp*) *recursos*. **human** ~ (*Esp*) *recursos humanos*

respirator *n* protective face-covering containing an apparatus to filter air, which is used to protect a person from chemical agents and radioactive contamination (*Esp*) *máscara antigás* ► also **gas mask**

responsible *adj* having an obligation to do something, or having control over or care for someone, as part of one's job or role (*Esp*) *responsable*. ~ **for** + *ger*. **You will all be ~ for cleaning your weapons.**

rest *n* (a) (*AmE*) a drill command allowing personnel in formation to relax in a standing position with their feet apart, talk quietly, but keep their right foot in place. It can be given from the positions of **attention**, **parade rest**, **stand at ease**, or **at ease** (*Esp*) ≈ *a discreción*. **parade** ~ ► **parade** (b) a support for a gun when firing or aiming (*Esp*) *apoyo de un arma*

resupply *vt* the act of replenishing stocks in order to maintain required levels of supply (*Esp*) *reposición, reabastecimiento*

retain *vt* the act of preventing occupation of a feature or position by the enemy (*Esp*) *retener*

retaining pin *n* ► **locking pin**

retirement *n* An operation in which a force out of contact moves away from the enemy. A form of retrograde operations; a directed, rearward movement by a force that is not in contact with the enemy and does not anticipate significant contact with the enemy. (*Esp*) *repliegue*

retreat *vi* withdrawal of troops before an enemy (*Esp*) *retirarse* **The Major told us to ~ so we moved back, away from the enemy front lines.**

return spring *n* the spring that retracts with the recoiling action after firing an automatic or semi-automatic weapon, and then utilises that stored kinetic energy to reload the weapon to fire the next round (*Esp*) *muelle recuperador*. ~ ~ **rod** (*Esp*) *barra del muelle recuperador*. ► also **spring** ► also **recoil**

return to base (RTB) *n* [aircraft] an order to proceed to a point indicated where the aircraft can land (*Esp*) *regreso a la base*

re-usable *adj* can be used repeatedly (*Esp*) *reutilizable*. **A ~ rocket launcher can to be used over and over.**

reveille *n* [uncount] /ˈrevəli/ (*AmE*) /ˈrɪvəli/ (*BrE*) a special tune played as a signal to wake soldiers in the morning, or the time at which it is played (*Esp*) *diana, toque de diana*

revetment *n* **(a)** a retaining wall or facing of stone or other material, to provide additional strength or protection to a wall (*Esp*) *revestimiento de obra* **(b)** a barricade of earth or sandbags set up to provide protection from a blast (*Esp*) *revestimiento de tierra*

ribbon *n* also ~ **bar**. A strip of fabric in the form of a bar, usually multicolored, that is a portion of the suspension ribbon of a medal, worn in place of the medal it represents (*Esp*) *pasador (de condecoración)*. ► APPENDIX B

ricochet *vi*, ~ **off** *vt* to move in another direction after hitting a surface which cannot be penetrated (*Esp*) *rebotar* (*en*). **A 75-mm shell will ~ off this tank.** (*Esp*) *Un proyectil de 75 mm rebotará en éste carro.*

ridge *n* a long, narrow hilltop, mountain range, or watershed (*Esp*) *cresta o divisoria (topográfica)*

rifle *n* a shoulder-fired fire arm with a rifled barrel (*Esp*) *fusil [mil.], rifle [deporte, caza]*. ► APPENDIX C. ~ **company** (*Esp*) *compañía de fusiles*. ~ **range** ► **firing range**

rifle *vt* to cut spiral grooves in the barrel of a gun in order to make the projectile spin during flight. ► also **rifled bore**

rifled bore *n* the interior of the barrel has spiraled grooves which spin the projectile as it travels down the tube (*Esp*) *ánima rayada, ánima estriada*

rifleman (Rfn) *n* a soldier armed with a rifle, especially a private in an infantry unit (*Esp*) *fusilero*

rifling *n* the system of spiral grooves in the bore of a weapon designed to impart a rotary motion to the projectile for stabilisation during flight (*Esp*) *rayado (de un arma)*

right *adj* denoting on the side of a person's body which is towards the east when they are facing north (*Esp*) *derecha*

ringleader *n* one who leads any kind of planned, often violent, rebellion, usually against a peaceful organisation (*Esp*) *cabecilla*

riot *n* a violent demonstration (*Esp*) *disturbio, motín, desorden callejero*. ~ **gear** protective clothing and equipment worn and carried by police or other authorities in situations of crowd violence (*Esp*) *equipo de protección antidisturbios*

riot *v* to take part in a violent demonstration (*Esp*) *causar disturbios, amotinarse*

RIP *abbr* **(a)** ► **relief in place (b)** rest in peace (*Esp*) *descansa en paz*

ripple fire *n* a stream of closely spaced missiles (*Esp*) *(fuego en) descarga*.

ripstop *adj* referred to the type of fabric such as nylon, specially woven to prevent the expansion of small rips (*Esp*) *(tejido) antidesgarro*

ripstop *n* [uncount] also ~ **nylon** fabric that is woven so that a tear will not spread (*Esp*) *tejido antidesgarro*

river *n* a natural water channel, bigger than a **stream** (*Esp*) *río*. ~ **crossing** An operation required before ground combat power can be projected and sustained across a water obstacle. It is a centrally planned and controlled offensive operation that requires the allocation of external crossing means and a force dedicated to the security of the bridgehead. (*Esp*) *paso de río*

road *n* a wide way leading from one place to another, especially one with a specially prepared surface which vehicles can use (*Esp*) *carretera*. ~ **intersection** (*Esp*) *cruce de carreteras*. ~ **junction** (*Esp*) *empalme de carreteras*. ~ **sign** (*Esp*) *señal de tráfico*. ~ **wheels** [count] large wheels on the bottom run of a track which provide vehicle suspension. The wheels bearing the weight of a land vehicle on to the ground or its own tracks. (*Esp*) *ruedas de marcha*. **arterial** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera radial*. **asphalt** ~, **paved** ~, **improved** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera asfaltada*. **back** ~, **secondary** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera secundaria*. **dirt** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera no asfaltada, camino de tierra, pista*. **main** ~, **trunk** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera principal*. **unimproved** ~ (*Esp*) *carretera sin asfaltar*

roadblock (RB) *n* a barrier or obstacle, which is usually covered by heavy fire, used to stop or hinder the movement of hostile vehicles along a **road** (*Esp*) *barricada de carretera*

rocket *n* a self-propelled projectile whose trajectory cannot be controlled during flight, that is to say, it is unguided (*Esp*) *cohete*. ~ **launcher** (*Esp*) *lanzacohetes*. ~ **propelled grenade (RPG)** (*Esp*) *granada propulsada por cohete*

rocky *adj* covered by boulders and rock (*Esp*) *rocoso*. ► also **boulder**

rod *n* a long thin bar of a stiff material such as metal, wood or plastic (*Esp*) *varilla, barra*. **cleaning** ~ (*Esp*) *baqueta*

rod *vt to ~ a weapon (Esp) pasar la baqueta a un arma*

ROE *abbr ► rules of engagement*

roger *adj [proword] used to indicate that a message or transmission has been received (Esp) recibido. ~ so far? (Esp) ¿recibido hasta ahora?*

roll *vi of a ship or airplane, to turn on its horizontal axis with the nose stationary (Esp) balancearse*

roll up *vt fold the edge of a garment over on itself a number of times to shorten it. (Esp) remangar She rolled up her sleeves to wash her hands. (Esp) se remangó (las mangas) para lavarse las manos*

rolled *adj also rolled-up. ~ sleeves sleeves of a garment folded over on themselves a number of times to shorten them (Esp) mangas remangadas. ► roll up vt*

roller *n a cylindrical part of a mechanism, which rotates to allow a belt, track or surface to pass over it, often either to apply pressure or, when used in combination with more rollers, to distribute load (Esp) rodillo. ~ tank (Esp) carro con rodillos. mine ~ a wheeled device that is pushed in front of a vehicle to activate and destroy mines safely using surface pressure (Esp) rodillo para desminado, rodillo levantaminas*

rollers *n [count] small wheels on the upper run of a track which support the track (Esp) rodillos*

roll-neck overshirt *n (AmE) also turtleneck (shirt). A thin sweater with a high turned-over collar, and no zipper (Esp) jersey de cuello alto*

roll-on roll-off *adj ► ro-ro*

RON *abbr remain overnight (Esp) pasar la noche*

ro-ro *adj abbr roll-on roll-off. Denoting a ship or other method of transport in which vehicles are driven directly on at the start of the voyage or journey and driven off at the end of it. (Esp) ro-ro. This is a ~ quay. (Esp) Este es un muelle ro-ro.*

rotary-wing aircraft *n a helicopter, as opposed to a fixed-wing aircraft, i.e. an airplane (Esp) aeronave de ala rotativo, helicóptero*

ROTC *abbr (AmE) Reserve Officer Training Corps [Departments in over 300 colleges and universities across the nation]*

round *n [plural rounds (rds)] a complete assembly of a projectile (with or without a fuze), a propellant charge in a cartridge case and the primer (Esp) disparo (artillería), cartucho (armas ligeras). How many rounds of ammunition are there? (Esp) ¿Cuánta munición hay?*

rounds per minute *n a technical specification of a firearm, of the number of shots that it can fire every minute (Esp) disparos por minuto*

route **(RTE)** *n a way or course taken in getting from a starting point to a destination. (Esp) ruta. Follow route 'B'. (Esp) Sigue la ruta B. ~ classification Classification assigned to a route using factors of minimum width, worst route type, least bridge, raft or culvert military load classification, and obstructions to traffic flow. (Esp) clasificación de itinerarios / rutas / carreteras. ~ denial (Esp) prohibición de itinerario*

row marker *n in land mine warfare, a natural, artificial, or specially installed marker, located at the start and finish of a mine row where mines are laid by individual rows (Esp) marcador / señalizador de fila (campos de minas)*

Royal Guard *n the ~ (Esp) la Guardia Real*

RPG *abbr ► rocket-propelled grenade*

RPT *abbr ► report*

RPV *abbr remote piloted vehicle (Esp) vehículo de control remoto*

RTB *abbr ► return to base*

RTE *abbr ► route*

rubbish *n any unusable or unwanted materials (Esp) basura*

rucksack *n a bag with shoulder straps which allow it to be carried on someone's back, typically made of a strong waterproof material and widely used by soldiers and hikers. ► also backpack, pack, Bergen (Esp) mochila*

rules of engagement (ROE) *n directives issued by competent military authority which delineate the circumstances and limitations under which armed forces will initiate and/or continue combat engagement with enemy forces encountered (Esp) reglas de enfrentamiento*

run *vi* [*past ran, pp run*] **(a)** *vi* (Esp) *correr*. ~ **the gauntlet** expose oneself to a temporary high risk situation (Esp) *someterse a un peligro* **(b)** *vt* to manage a business or organization (Esp) *dirigir, llevar, encargarse de (un negocio, empresa u otra organización)*

runner *n* messenger (Esp) *mensajero, enlace*

running shoes *n* [*plural*] (Esp) *zapatillas de deporte*

rupture *n* a task to quickly create a gap in enemy defensive positions (Esp) *ruptura*. ~ **force** (Esp) *fuerza de ruptura*

rust *n* a reddish-brown coating of iron oxide that is formed on iron or steel by oxidation, especially in the presence of moisture (Esp) *óxido*

rusted *adj* (AmE) **rusty** (BrE) affected by **rust** (Esp) *oxidado*

RV *abbr* ► **rendezvous**

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saber *n* (AmE) **sabre** (BrE) a heavy cavalry sword with a curved blade and a single cutting edge (Esp) *sable*

sabotage *n* [*uncount*] a deliberate act with intent to interfere with, or obstruct the national defence of a country by damaging or destroying any element of its defence infrastructure, such as military installations or a computer network, including personnel and natural resources (Esp) *sabotaje*

saddle *n* a low part of a ridge between two higher points or peaks (Esp) *collado, puerto (de montaña)*

safe *adj* without danger (Esp) *seguro*. ~ **area** *n* a designated area in hostile territory that offers the evader or escapee a reasonable chance of avoiding capture and of surviving until he can be evacuated (Esp) *zona segura*. ~ **distance** *n* in land warfare, the distance from the risk source which will give the desired assurance that a specific level of danger is not exceeded (Esp) *distancia de seguridad*. ~ **lane** *n* (Esp) *paso seguro*. **made** ~, **on** ~ *adj* with the selector lever of an assault rifle or other weapon on safe (Esp) *en seguro*

safety catch *n* also **safety lever**. The lever or switch that prevents a weapon from being fired (Esp) *aleta del seguro*. ► **on safe**

SALT *abbr* strategic arms limitation treaty (Esp) *tratado de limitación de armas estratégicas*

SALTUR *abbr* A mnemonic representing the facts to be noted in a report on contact with the enemy: **S**ize, **A**ctivity, **L**ocation, **T**ime and date, enemy **U**nit, and **R**esult of action taken.

SALUTE *abbr* A mnemonic representing the facts to be noted in a report on identification of enemy activity: **S**ize and type of unit, **A**ctivity, **L**ocation, their direction and range, **U**niform (or **U**nit making observation in case of aircraft), **T**ime and date, **E**quipment or weapons.

salute *n* **(a)** A gesture of respect. In the military or other similar forces, a prescribed movement, typically raising the hand to the head as a formal sign of recognition. (Esp) *saludo (militar)*. **(b)** the discharge of a gun or guns as a formal sign of respect or celebration (Esp) *salva (de ordenanza)*. **a 21-gun** ~ (Esp) *una salva de 21 cañonazos*

salute *v* to make a gesture of respect. To perform a specified movement, usually raising the hand to the head as formal sign of recognition in the military or other forces. (Esp) *saludar (militarmente)*

salvo *n* simultaneous firing of guns or artillery (Esp) *salva*

SAM *abbr* surface-to-air missile (Esp) *misil tierra aire*

Sam Browne belt *n* (BrE) a leather belt with a supporting strap that passes over the right shoulder, worn by the army and police officers (Esp) *correa británica de paseo (piel marrón con una trinch)*

sand *n* [*uncount*] very small stone particles, as found on a dune or beach (Esp) *arena*. ~ **storm** (Esp) *tormenta de arena* ► also **dust storm**

sandbag *n* a bag filled with sand or soil, typically used for defensive purposes, to protect from flooding, or to add weight to a boat (Esp) *saco de arena, saco terreno*

sandstone *n* rock formed from the compaction of sand particles (Esp) *arenisca*

sangar *n* /ˈsærjəl/ (BrE) also **sanga (a)** a breastwork or parapet, of stone, earth, sandbags, etc. (Esp) *parapeto* ► also **breastwork (b)** a small fortified position, used for observing or firing from, especially for early warning of enemy activity around the perimeter of a large base (Esp) *garita*

sapper *n* a soldier whose job includes digging trenches, breaching minefields, and building fortifications (Esp) *zapador, ingeniero, soldado del cuerpo de ingenieros [ET británica]*

SAR *abbr* search and rescue (Esp) *búsqueda y salvamento*

SAS *abbr* Special Air Service. A British military force that is specially trained to carry out secret and dangerous missions (Esp) ≈ **GEO** [*regimiento especializado en operaciones especiales*]

sash *n* a long strip or loop of cloth worn over one shoulder or round the waist, especially as part of a uniform or official dress (Esp) *banda, faja*

SATCOM *abbr* satellite communications (Esp) *comunicaciones satélite*. ~ **on the move (SOTM)** satellite communications systems mounted on a vehicle, although commissioning time is always necessary to set up a terminal on a stationary vehicle (Esp) *comunicaciones vía satélite en movimiento*. ~ **at the quick halt (SATH)** satellite communications systems mounted on a vehicle that can be commissioned and ready to operate on the stationary vehicle in a short period of time (Esp) *comunicaciones vía satélite rápidas*

satellite *n* (Esp) *satélite*. ~ **bridge** a communication system that uses satellites to establish a link over very long distances (Esp) *comunicación vía satélite*. ~ **terminal** a point of connection to a satellite communications network (Esp) *terminal satélite*

SATNAV *abbr* satellite navigation system (Esp) *navegación por satélite, GPS*

SAW *abbr* (AmE) **squad automatic weapon**, a machine gun (Esp) *arma automática de pelotón*. ► **light support weapon**

saw *n* a hand tool with a long toothed blade used to cut wood or metal (Esp) *sierra (de cortar)*

SBS *abbr* (BrE) **Special Boat Service**; the special forces unit of the British Royal Navy (Esp) *unidad de operaciones especiales de la Armada británica*

scabbard *n* also **sheath**. a protective cover for a bayonet, sword or knife (Esp) *funda (del machete o bayoneta), vaina (del sable), tahalí (para el machete o bayoneta)*

scab-off *n* fragments of armour plating or concrete that can break off when hit, causing damage and injury. This effect can be minimised by adding an inner protective layer, such as **Kevlar** to armour, and sandbags on the outer face of a wall, in the case of concrete (Esp) *fragmentos* ► also **spall**

scale *n* a graduated range of values forming a standard system for measuring or grading something, such as distances on a map (Esp) *escala*. **outer** ~ (Esp) *escala exterior*. **inner** ~ (Esp) *escala interior*

scarf *n* a length or square of fabric, often either silk or wool, worn around the neck (Esp) *bufanda, pañuelo de cuello*

scatterable mine *n* A mine laid without regard to classical pattern and which is designed to be delivered by aircraft, artillery, missile, ground dispenser or hand. It will normally have a limited laid life. (Esp) *mina dispersable*

schedule *n* also **timetable** (BrE) a plan for events and procedures with intended times (Esp) *programa*

scientific and technical intelligence *n* the product resulting from the collection, evaluation, analysis, and interpretation of foreign scientific and technical **information**, which covers foreign developments, scientific and technical characteristics, capabilities, limitations, and materiel production (Esp) *inteligencia científica y técnica*. ► also **intelligence**

scoop loader *n* (Esp) *cargadora de cuchara*

scout *n* an individual sent forward of a unit to observe and report enemy positions and actions (Esp) *explorador*

scramble *n* **(a)** mixing of a signal in order to make it unintelligible (Esp) *encriptación* **(b)** emergency dispatch of aircraft for the interception of a threat (Esp) *despegue inmediato*

scramble *vt* **(a)** to mix a signal in order to make it unintelligible (Esp) *cifrar, desmodular* **(b)** to dispatch aircraft quickly for the interception of a threat (Esp) *despegar inmediatamente*

scraper *n* **(a)** a tool used to remove something from a surface by scratching (*Esp*) *rascador* **(b)** a self-propelled or towed vehicle used in civil engineering to level areas of earth (*Esp*) *traílla*.
elevating ~ (*Esp*) *traílla de elevación*

screen *n* **(a)** an electronic device for displaying images, such as that of a computer monitor or television (*Esp*) *pantalla* **(b)** a partition, often provisional, used to divide two areas, give shelter, or to offer a degree of privacy (*Esp*) *pantalla* **(b)** a security element whose primary task is to observe, identify and report information, and which only fights in self-protection (*Esp*) *fuerza de cobertura, fuerza de flanqueo*

screening *n* **(a)** selection of personnel identifying those who meet the requirements (*Esp*) *selección* **(b)** providing protection to a force on the move (*Esp*) *cobertura, flanqueo*. ~ **fire** (*Esp*) *fuego de ocultación*. ~ **smoke** smoke employed in areas of friendly operation or in areas between friendly and enemy forces to conceal ground movement, breaching, and recovery operations, key assembly areas, supply routes, and logistic facilities (*Esp*) *ocultación (con fumígenos)*

screw *n* a short thin spiralled piece of metal with a point used to hold two pieces of wood, or similar, together, which is inserted with a **screwdriver** (*Esp*) *tornillo (de madera)*

screwdriver *n* a metal hand tool with a flat or cross-shaped end, used to insert a **screw** into wood or similar material (*Esp*) *destornillador*

scrim *n* [uncount] a thin camouflaged material with irregular holes and a leafy texture, which can be used to quickly conceal anything from a rifle barrel to a tank (*Esp*) *red mimética*

scrub *n* vegetation consisting mainly of brushwood or stunted forest growth (*Esp*) *matorrales, maleza*

SEAD *abbr* suppression of enemy air defense

seal off *vt* to block an entrance so as to prevent escape (*Esp*) *cerrar* **We sealed off the enemy's only possible escape route forcing them to either surrender or face certain death.**

sear *n* a pivoted piece that holds the hammer in the cocked position in the firing mechanism of small arms (*Esp*) *fiador*. ~ **carrier** (*Esp*) *portafiador*

Second World War *n* ► **WW2**

second-in-command *n* the officer next in authority to the commanding officer (*Esp*) *segundo jefe*.

Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) *n* (BrE) **The** ~ ~ ~. Colloquially known as **MI6**, it is the British government agency responsible for security and counter-intelligence on foreign territory (*Esp*) *servicio británico de inteligencia externa*. ► also **Security Service**

section (sect) *n* **(a)** (BrE) unit consisting of 6-12 soldiers, usually led by a corporal. It is equivalent to the US Army Squad. (*Esp*) *pelotón*. **(b)** (AmE) unit intermediate in size between a squad and a platoon. It contains 15-30 soldiers, and is usually led by a senior sergeant. *N.B.:* (*Esp*) *en el ET español no existe una unidad entre pelotón y sección [En caso de tener que traducirse, lo más adecuado es hacerlo como pelotón]*

sector *n* a subdivision of an area for military operations (*Esp*) *sector*. ~ **of fire** the area which is required to be covered by fire by an individual, a weapon or unit (*Esp*) *sector de tiro*

secure *adj* a place that is safe from danger of capture or destruction by enemy forces (*Esp*) *seguro*. **a** ~ **building** (*Esp*) *un edificio seguro*

secure *vt* to gain possession of a position or terrain feature, with or without force and to make it safe, as far as possible, from destruction or capture by enemy forces (*Esp*) *asegurar*. ~ **a building** (*Esp*) *asegurar un edificio*

security *n* all measures taken by a unit to protect itself from **surveillance** or offensive action by the enemy (*Esp*) *seguridad*. **The enemy has breached our** ~. (*Esp*) *El enemigo ha quebrantado nuestra seguridad*. ~ **checkpoint** (*Esp*) *puesto de control de seguridad*. ~ **guard** someone whose job is to guard a building or a vehicle carrying money (*Esp*) *guardia jurado*

Security Service *n* (BrE) **The** ~ ~ ~. Colloquially known as **MI5**, it is the British government agency responsible for internal security and counter-intelligence within the United Kingdom (*Esp*) *servicio británico de inteligencia interna*. ► also **Secret Intelligence Service**

seize *vt* a tactical task to clear a designated area and obtain control of it (*Esp*) *capturar*

selectivity *n* the characteristic that determines the ability of a radio receiver to discriminate between signals of different carrier frequencies (*Esp*) *selectividad*

selector switch *n* also **selector lever** [*firearms*] A button or lever used to choose the firing mode of an automatic weapon (*Esp*) *selector, palanca selector*. ► also **burst, automatic fire, on safe, semiautomatic fire**

self- *prefix* meaning by itself, alone, without help (*Esp*) *auto*

self-loading *adj* the characteristic of a weapon of being automatically reloaded on firing without the firer having to take any action (*Esp*) *de carga automática*. ~ **rifle (SLR)** (*Esp*) *fusil de carga automática*

self-propelled *adj* which has a motor that makes it move (*Esp*) *autopropulsado*. ~ **artillery** weapons or projectiles with self-contained means for their own propulsion (*Esp*) *artillería autopropulsada (ATP)*. ~ **howitzer** (*Esp*) *obús autopropulsado*

semi *abbr* ► **semiautomatic**

semi- *prefix* also **half-**, meaning half, half-sized or partially (*Esp*) *semi*. ~ **automatic** (*BrE*) ► **semiautomatic** (*AmE*). ~ **duplex operation** *n* ► **simplex operation**

semiautomatic (semi) (*AmE*) **semi-automatic** (*BrE*) [*firearms*] (**a**) *adj* designed to reload automatically after each shot (*Esp*) *semiautomático*. ~ **fire** *n* a mode of fire that allows one round to be fired each time the trigger is pulled (*Esp*) *tiro semiautomático*. ~ **weapon** (*Esp*) *arma semiautomática* (**b**) *n* also ~ **rifle** (*Esp*) *rifle semiautomático*

sensor *n* a device which is sensitive to light, radiation, wind or the like and transmits the information to another instrument for reading (*Esp*) *sensor, detector*. **infrared motion** ~ a movement detector that uses electromagnetic radiation at wavelengths from 800 nm to 1 mm (*Esp*) *sensor infrarrojo de movimiento*. **light** ~ (*Esp*) *detector de luz*. **motion** ~ (*Esp*) *detector de movimiento*. ► also **PIR**

sequence *n* the order in which one thing follows another (*Esp*) *secuencia*

sequencing *n* the act of organising a complex activity, such as a **raid**, into chronological stages [*doctrine*] (*Esp*) *organización por fases*

sergeant (Sgt) *n* Rank of noncommissioned officer in the Army, Air Force and US Marine Corps above corporal and below staff sergeant. (*Esp*) *cabo 1º o sargento*. ~ **major (a)** rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army, and Marine Corps above first sergeant. (*Esp*) *subteniente, "sargento mayor"*. (**b**) in the British Army a posting for a warrant officer whose job is to assist the adjutant of a regiment or battalion-sized unit (regimental sergeant major) or the commander of a company-sized unit (company/ battery sergeant major). (*Esp*) *Destino equivalente según el caso al de suboficial mayor de un regimiento o al de brigada auxiliar de una cía, escuadrón o batería*. command ~ **major of the Army / Marine Corps** the most senior noncommissioned officer rank in the US Army, and Marine Corps. (*Esp*) *empleo inexistente en la FAS españolas, por encima de Suboficial mayor*. command ~ major rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army above sergeant major. (*Esp*) *suboficial mayor*. **first** ~ rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army and Marine Corps above master sergeant and below sergeant major. (*Esp*) *brigada*. ~ **first class** rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army, above staff sergeant and below master sergeant. (*Esp*) *sargento 1º*. **staff** ~ rank of noncommissioned officer in the Army, US Air Force and Marine Corps above sergeant. (*Esp*) *sargento* **master** ~ rank of noncommissioned officer in the US Army, Air Force and Marine Corps. In the US Army it is above sergeant first class and below first sergeant. (*Esp*) *brigada* ► APPENDIX A

serial number *n* (**a**) a number in a series, especially that of a unique product reference number (*Esp*) *número de serie* (**b**) [*archaic*] (*AmE*) also **service number**. A personal reference number allocated to service personnel (*Esp*) *número de filiación* [*filiation-number*]

serve *vt* to do duty. **to ~ in the army** (*Esp*) *servir en el ejército*. ~ **in Afghanistan** (*Esp*) *estar destinado en Afganistán*

server *n* A network device which provides service to the network users by managing shared resources. The term is often used in the context of a client-server architecture for a local area network (LAN) (*Esp*) *servidor*

service *n* (**a**) [*uncount*] the action of helping or doing work for someone (*Esp*) *servicio*. **combat** ~ **support** logistic support (*Esp*) *apoyo logístico*. (**b**) [*plural*] **the services** the armed forces:

army, navy, and air force (*Esp*) *las fuerzas armadas, los (tres) ejércitos* (**c**) duty, work (*Esp*) *servicio*. **to be on active** ~ (*Esp*) *estar en servicio activo*. ~ **number** a personal reference number allocated to service personnel or members of an organisation, such as new recruits in training (*Esp*) *número de filiación* [filiation-number] ► **social security number**

service *vt* to perform routine maintenance on a vehicle or piece of equipment (*Esp*) *entretener, hacer la revisión* (*comprobar niveles*)

service cap *n* the type of peaked cap worn with the service uniform (*Esp*) *gorra de plato*. ► APPENDIX B

service dress (**SD**) *n* (*BrE*) also called **number two dress**. Khaki military uniform worn on formal but not ceremonial occasions, equivalent to the Army green service uniform in the US Army (*Esp*) *uniforme de diario, uniforme de paseo* ► APPENDIX B

service dress hat (**SD hat**) *n* (*BrE*) the type of peaked cap worn with the service dress (*Esp*) *gorra de plato (caqui)* ► APPENDIX B

service hat *n* (*AmE*) the type of hat (with a brim) worn with the female service uniform (*Esp*) *sombrero del uniforme de paseo femenino* ► APPENDIX B

service personnel *n* [plural] members of the armed forces (*Esp*) *militares*

service uniform *n* (*AmE*) also **army** ~ (**ASU**), the type of uniform worn daily in a garrison environment when the utility or dress uniforms are not required or appropriate. US Army blue, green and white service uniforms are being unified into one uniform, the new blue ASU. (*Esp*) *uniforme de diario, uniforme de paseo*. **army blue** ~ (*Esp*) *uniforme de paseo (azul)* ► APPENDIX B. **army green** ~ (*AmE*) green military uniform worn for office work and on formal but not ceremonial occasions, equivalent to the **service dress (number two dress)** in the British Army. (*Esp*) *uniforme de paseo (verde)* ► APPENDIX B. **army white** ~ (*Esp*) *uniforme de paseo (blanco)* ► APPENDIX B

serviceability *n* the quality of working adequately. (*Esp*) *utilidad*

serviceable *adj* fulfilling its function adequately; usable (*Esp*) *útil*

serviceman *n* a man serving in the armed forces (*Esp*) *militar, soldado*

servicewoman *n* a woman serving in the armed forces (*Esp*) *militar, soldado*

servicing *n* routine maintenance. Examining a vehicle or another piece of equipment and performing small repair works if necessary. (*Esp*) *entretenimiento, revisión, mantenimiento preventivo o de primer escalón*

set out *vt* to lay, to establish (*Esp*) *instalar*. **to ~ a minefield** (*Esp*) *instalar un campo de minas*

shako *n* /ˈʃeɪkəʊ/ a ceremonial hat worn with the full dress uniform of some armies, which is typically tall, cylindrical, and often has a feather, plume, or pompon at the front, and a peak (*Esp*) *ros*

shaped charge *n adj* A charge shaped so as to concentrate its explosive force in a particular direction (*Esp*) *carga hueca, conformada*

shaving kit *n* a set of articles used for shaving composed of a battery-operated shaving machine or a razor and shaving foam (*Esp*) *útiles de afeitado*. ~ **foam** (*Esp*) *espuma de afeitar*

sheath *n* [plural **sheaths**] also **scabbard**. a protective cover for a bayonet, sword or knife (*Esp*) *funda (del machete o bayoneta), vaina (del sable), tahalí (para el machete o bayoneta)*

shell *n* a hollow projectile fired from a heavy weapon, filled with chemical or other material (*Esp*) *proyectil de artillería*. ~ **shock** [archaic] the psychological condition produced by intense exposure to a heavy artillery bombardment (*Esp*) *neurosis de guerra*. ► also **combat fatigue**

shell *vt* to fire artillery shells at a target (*Esp*) *hacer fuego artillero sobre, bombardear con artillería*. **I'm being shelled** (*Esp*) *Estoy recibiendo fuego de artillería*. **The enemy shelled the town for several hours** (*Esp*) *La artillería enemiga bombardeó la ciudad durante varias horas*.

shelter *n* a building or part of one, or an improvised structure, which offers protection from either a hostile attack or severe weather (*Esp*) *refugio*

shemagh *n* /ʃəˈmæg/ (*BrE*) also **keffiyeh**. A piece of fine green and black checked cloth worn by soldiers to protect or conceal the face, usually worn around the neck as a scarf (*Esp*) *shemag*. ► also **face veil**

shield *n* any barrier erected to offer protection from enemy fire (*Esp*) *escudo, barrera*

shielding *n* a system of barriers that offer protection from enemy fire (*Esp*) *escudo, protección*

shiplift *n* an act of transporting supplies by ship typically in a blockade or other emergency.
(*Esp*) *transporte marítimo*

shipping container *n* also **isotainer**. A large metal standardized storage box that can be transported by road, rail, or container ship (*Esp*) *contenedor (de embarque)*

shirt-sleeve order (*BrE*) uniform equivalent to class B uniform in the US (*Esp*) *modalidad de uniforme sin guerrera, en mangas de camisa*

shock absorber *n* a device that reduces vibration and jolting, such as that experienced by passengers travelling in a vehicle on a dirt track, in which case each wheel has its own device (*Esp*) *amortiguador*. ► also **jar**

shoe-laces *n* [*count*] cords for tying up shoes (*Esp*) *cordones (de zapato)*

shoes *n* [*count*] a covering for the foot, typically made of leather, with a strong sole and not reaching the ankle (*Esp*) *zapatos*

shoot down *vt* to hit an **airplane, helicopter, drone, missile** or similar with **small arms** fire, or **surface-to-air** or **air-to-air** weapons, knocking it out of the sky (*Esp*) *derribar*

shoot *vt* [*past+pp shot*] (**a**) to fire a weapon, other than a missile. **Stop or I will ~!** (*Esp*) *¡Alto o disparo!* ~ **and scoot** to quickly retreat to a safe position immediately after firing, typically to avoid a counterattack (*Esp*) *disparar y largarse*. ~ **down** (*Esp*) *abatir, derribar*. ► also **launch (b)** [*passive*] to be killed or wounded by gunfire. **The deserters were shot** (*Esp*) *dispararon a los desertores*

shooter *n* a person firing a hand or shoulder weapon (*Esp*) *tirador*

shooting range *n* ► **firing range**

shop office *n* (*Esp*) *oficina del taller*

SHORAD *abbr* short range air defense

shortcoming *n* a fault or lack of ability to perform a function that makes someone or something less effective or successful (*Esp*) *carencia*

shorts *n* [*plural*] short trousers that reach only the knees or thighs (*Esp*) *pantalones cortos*

shot *n* (**a**) act of firing a weapon. **to fire a ~** (*Esp*) *tiro, disparo*. **single- ~** or **one- ~** (*Esp*) *tiro a tiro* (**b**) person who shoots **an excellent ~** (*Esp*) *un tirador excelente* (**c**) [*uncount*] also **lead ~**, the small metal balls fired from a **shotgun** (*Esp*) *perdigones*

shotgun *n* a type of shoulder weapon that fires **shot** from a **smooth-bore** barrel (*Esp*) *escopeta*

shoulder *n* (*Esp*) *hombro*. ~ **board** (*AmE*) a narrow stiff patch bearing the insignia of rank and worn on the shoulders in some military uniforms (*Esp*) *hombrera (rígida), pala*. ~ **knot** a ceremonial ornament consisting of braided cord, usually golden coloured, worn on the shoulders in some ceremonial uniforms. ~ **loop** (*AmE*), **epaulette** (*BrE*) a strip of cloth from shoulder to collar on a military uniform, usually bearing the badge of rank or other insignia (*Esp*) *hombrera (de tela)* ► **APPENDIX B**. ~ **sleeve insignia** (*Esp*) *distintivo de manga* ► **APPENDIX B** ► also **insignia**. ~ **strap** a thin strip of cloth, leather or other flexible material, which passes over the shoulder to carry something such as a rifle or a bag (*Esp*) *correa, tirante*. ~ **weapon** a firearm that is fired while being held in the hands with the butt of the weapon braced against the shoulder (*Esp*) *arma larga*

shovel *n* *v* a tool similar to a **spade**, with long wooden handle and a rounded or pointed blade that is used for moving sand, coal, gravel, soft snow, etc. (*Esp*) *pala (de pico)*

showdown inspection *n* a thorough inspection of equipment to ensure its completeness and full serviceability (*Esp*) *revista técnica*

shrapnel *n* [*uncount*] fragments thrown out by an exploding shell or grenade (*Esp*) *metralla*

sick bay *n* a place on a ship, submarine or Navy base where ill and injured sailors are treated (*Esp*) *enfermería*

sick call *n* daily assembly when all sick and injured report to the medical services for inspection (*Esp*) *reconocimiento médico, llamada a botiquín*

sick leave *n* permission to be temporarily excused from duty because of an illness or injury (*Esp*) *licencia por enfermedad* **to be on ~** (*Esp*) *estar de permiso por enfermedad*

side band *n* the frequency band above or below the carrier, produced by the process of modulation [*communications*] (*Esp*) *banda lateral*

side skirts *n* metal plates used to shield track rollers from attack (*Esp*) *faldones*. ► **APPENDIX D**

SIED *abbr* suicide **improvised explosive device** (IED), worn by a willing **suicide bomber** (*Esp*) *artefacto adosado a una persona, terrorista suicida*. ► **PBIED**

sight *n* the instrument used to aim a weapon at a target (*Esp*) *aparato o aparatos de puntería*.
back ~, rear ~ (*Esp*) *alza*. **fore ~, front ~** (*Esp*) *punto de mira*. **iron ~, mechanical ~** (*Esp*) *elementos de puntería*. **optical ~** sight with lenses, prisms or mirrors instead of iron sights (*Esp*) *visor óptico*. **red-dot reflex ~** (*Esp*) *sistema optrónico de punto rojo*. **telescopic ~** (*Esp*) *mira telescópica*. ► **APPENDIX C**

SIGINT *abbr* ► **signals intelligence**

signal corps *n* also **the signals**, the branch responsible for relaying messages, and the installation and maintenance of communications systems (*Esp*) *especialidad fundamental de transmisiones, transmisiones*

signal operations instructions (SOIs) *n* [*plural*] a series of orders issued for the technical control and coordination of the signal activities of a command, which contain frequencies, call signs, and other information used to establish and maintain radio and other forms of communication (*Esp*) *instrucciones operativas de transmisiones*

signal strength *n* the volume of a radio message (*Esp*) *nivel de volumen, potencia de la señal*.
 ► **also readability**

signalman *n* a person belonging to the **signal corps**, who is responsible for sending and receiving signals (*Esp*) *soldado de transmisiones*

signals *n* [*plural*] **the ~** ► **signal corps**. **~ intelligence (SIGINT)** the category of intelligence comprising all communications intelligence, electronics intelligence, and foreign instrumentation signals intelligence, however transmitted (*Esp*) *inteligencia de transmisiones, inteligencia de la señal*

signature *n* /ˈsɪɡnətʃə/ someone's name, written by hand as their own personal mark (*Esp*) *firma*

silhouette target *n* a target on a firing range that represents the outline of a soldier (*Esp*) *silueta (blanco para tiro de armas ligeras)*

silver bar *n* (*AmE*) a grey or silver colored straight line or stripe, on the sleeve or shoulder loop of a uniform indicating the rank of first lieutenant (*Esp*) *galón [símbolo de los empleos de suboficial en los ejércitos de los EEUU]*

simplex operation *adj* communications system which either transmits or receives but not both simultaneously. Also **half- or semi-duplex operation** (*Esp*) *simplex*

simulative electronic deception *adj* [*comms*] ► **deception**

single-channel ground-and-airborne radio system (SINCGARS) *n* A new family of VHF-FM radios designed to provide the primary means of command and control for Infantry, Armor, and Artillery units. The radios can transmit and receive voice and tactical data while operating in a frequency-hopping mode. (*Esp*) *sistema radio de canal único*

SIR *abbr* serious incident report (*Esp*) *informe de incidente grave*. ► **incident**

sir *n* a respectful way of addressing a man in a position of authority (*Esp*) *señor [En ambiente militar, en general, se emplea sólo para dirigirse a oficiales y equivale tanto a "a sus órdenes" como a "mi capitán/ comandante/." pues ninguna de esas expresiones existe en inglés]* **Two missing, ~** (*Esp*) *a sus órdenes (mi capitán), faltan dos*. ► **also ma'am**

SIS *abbr* (*BrE*) ► **Secret Intelligence Service**

SITREP *abbr* ► **situation report**

situation report (SITREP) *n* an account of the current status (*Esp*) *informe de situación*

size *n* each of the classes, typically numbered, into which garments or other articles are divided according to how large they are (*Esp*) *talla*

sized *adj* having a specified size (usually used in combination with another word) (*Esp*) *del mismo tamaño que*. **company- ~ unit** (*Esp*) *unidad tipo compañía, del tamaño de una compañía*

skeleton crew *n* the minimum number of personnel that can operate a weapon system (*Esp*) *tripulación mínima*

skill *n* the ability to do something very well, which may be either a natural talent or have been learnt (*Esp*) *habilidad, destreza, práctica, experiencia*. **This exercise is aimed at improvong your ~ in moving at night.**

skip distance *n* the distances on the Earth's surface between the points where a radio sky wave leaves the antenna and is successfully reflected and/or refracted back to Earth from the ionosphere (*Esp*) *distancia de salto*

slacks *n* (*AmE*) casual trousers. In the US Army uniform, pants or trousers for women. ► also **pants** (*Esp*) *pantalones*. ► APPENDIX B

sledgehammer *n* a heavy hammer with a long handle (*Esp*) *almádena, mazo*

sleeping bag *n* a warm lined padded bag to sleep in, especially when camping (*Esp*) *saco de dormir*

sleeping mat *n* a piece of coarse material for lying on (*Esp*) *esterilla, plancheta*

slope *n* a surface of which one end or side is at a higher level than another; a rising or falling surface (*Esp*) *pendiente*. **gentle** ~ (*Esp*) *pendiente suave*. **steep** ~ (*Esp*) *pendiente pronunciada*. **uniform** ~ (*Esp*) *pendiente uniforme*

slope *v* to incline, to slant, to direct at a slant or incline from the vertical or horizontal. The front of an armored vehicle is sloped to improve protection ► **glacis plate** (*Esp*) *inclinár*

SMA *abbr* (*AmE*) ► **sergeant major of the Army**

smart bomb *n* ► **guided bomb unit (GBU)**

smock *n* (*BrE*) combat jacket. ► also **fatigue jacket** (*Esp*) *camisola (unif. de instrucción)*

smoke grenade dischargers *n* smoke dischargers are attached to the turret and provide the tank with a blanket of smoke to hide it (*Esp*) *lanzafumígenos*

smoke screen *n* a large amount of smoke spread over an area to prevent the enemy from seeing movements of infantry, armored units, or ships (*Esp*) *pantalla de humo*

smooth *adj* flat and even, like a table top (*Esp*) *liso*. ~ **bore** Having no grooves or lines on the interior of the barrel. For tank barrels; able to fire APFSDS projectiles. (*Esp*) *ánima lisa*

smoothbore *adj n* (*AmE*) **smooth-bore** (*BrE*) any gun or firearm whose **bore**, i.e. the internal area of barrel, is not **rifled**, or grooved (*Esp*) *arma de ánima lisa*

sneakers *n* [*plural*] (*AmE*) a soft shoe worn for sports or casual occasions (*Esp*) *zapatillas de deporte*

sniper *n* a person who hides and shoots at individuals, often from a significant distance (*Esp*) *francotirador*. ~ **rifle** (*Esp*) *fusil de francotirador*

snorkel *n* a short tube that allows swimmers to breath whilst underwater (*Esp*) *esnórkel*

snorkel *vi* (*BrE*) to swim underwater using a special breathing tube (*Esp*) *bucear (con esnórkel)*

SO *abbr* ► **special operations**

soakage pit *n* ► **sullage pit**

social security number (SSN) *n* (*AmE*) **national insurance number (NIN)** (*BrE*) the personalised number used for national health and social service records, which is also currently used in the US and UK Armed Forces to identify military personnel, replacing the former **serial number** and **service number** (*Esp*) *número de la seguridad social*

socks *n* [*count*] a garment for the foot and lower part of the leg, typically knitted from wool, cotton, or nylon (*Esp*) *calcetines*

SOE *abbr* (*BrE*) [*archaic*] Special Operations Executive; a secret World War II organisation for covert operations, which was the forerunner of **MI6** (*Esp*) *dirección de operaciones clandestinas*. ► **Security Service**

SOF *abbr* ► **special operations forces**

SOFA *abbr* ► **status-of-force agreement**

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soil *n* the substance in which plants grow, which contains **clay**, **sand**, **gravel** and decomposed vegetable matter, in varying proportions (*Esp*) *tierra*. **disturb the** ~ *v phr* an indication of a buried IED can be signs of recently moved earth (*Esp*) *levantar la tierra*

SOP *abbr* ► **standing operating procedures**

SOTM *abbr* satellite communications (**SATCOM**) on the move (*Esp*) *comunicaciones satélite en movimiento*

soundproof *adj* shielded to reduce noise (*Esp*) *insonorizado*

southbound *adj* moving or leading towards the south. **a** ~ **convoy** (*Esp*) *un convoy en dirección sur*

south-east *n* the point of the horizon midway between south and east (Esp) *sudeste*

south-easterly *adj adv* ► **south-east**. **They travelled in a ~ direction.** (Esp) *viajaron en dirección sudeste*

southerly *adj adv* in a southward position or direction. **They set off in a ~ direction.** (Esp) *partieron en dirección sur*

southern *adj* relating to the south. **The ~ part of the country** (Esp) *la parte meridional (o sur) del país*. **Southern Cross** the star constellation observed in the Southern Hemisphere that is used as a night-time reference point to establish a southerly direction (Esp) *La Cruz del Sur*

southernmost *adj* furthest south. **The ~ point** (Esp) *el punto más meridional (o más al sur)*

southward *adj* towards the south. **A ~ direction.** (Esp) *dirección sur*

southward(s) *adv* towards the south. **The army is moving ~.** (Esp) *El ejército se dirige hacia el sur.*

spade *n* a tool similar to a **shovel**, with long wooden handle and a sharp square blade to cut into the earth in order to dig a hole (Esp) *pala (de cavar)*

spall *n* also **scabbing**. Fragments from the outer or inner face of armour plating produced on the impact of projectiles (Esp) *fragmentos, esquirlas*. ~ **liner** (Esp) *forro interior antiesquirlas*
► also **scab-off**

span *n* the distance between two supported ends (Esp) *vano*. **wing ~** (Esp) *envergadura*. **bridge ~** (Esp) *vano, luz*

spare *adj* additional to what is required for ordinary use (Esp) *de repuesto*. ~ **clothing** (Esp) *ropa de repuesto*. ~ **laces** (Esp) *cordones de repuesto*. ~ **magazine** (Esp) *cargador de reserva*. ~ **parts** (Esp) *repuestos, piezas de repuesto*. ~ **tire** (AmE) ~ **tyre** (BrE) (Esp) *neumático de repuesto*

Spec. *abbr* (AmE) **Specialist**. Also **SPC**. Equivalent in rank to that of Corporal (NATO OR-4 rank) (Esp) *Especialista* ► Appendix A

Special Air Service *n* (BrE) ► **SAS**

Special Boat Service *n* (BrE) ► **SBS**

special operations (SO) *n* Operations conducted by specially organized, trained, and equipped military and paramilitary forces to achieve military, political, economic, or psychological objectives by unconventional military means in hostile, denied, or politically sensitive areas. These operations are conducted during peacetime competition, conflict, and war, independently or in coordination with operations of conventional, nonspecial operations forces. Political-military considerations frequently shape special operations, requiring clandestine, covert, or low visibility techniques and oversight at the national level. Special operations differ from conventional operations in degree of physical and political risk, operational techniques, mode of employment, independence from friendly support, and dependence on detailed operational intelligence and indigenous assets. (Esp) *operaciones especiales*. ~ **forces (SOF)** Those active and reserve component forces of the Military Services specifically organized, trained, and equipped to conduct and support special operations. (Esp) *fuerzas de operaciones especiales*

specialist *n* enlisted rank in the US Army equivalent in pay to corporal (specialist 4), sergeant (specialist 5), or staff sergeant (specialist 6). *N.B.:* (Esp) *empleos de tropa y suboficiales inexistentes en las FAS españolas, equivalen en sueldo, pero no en empleo a cabo, cabo 1º ó sargento*.

speed *n* velocity (Esp) *velocidad*. **high ~ train** (Esp) *tren de alta velocidad*. **low ~** (Esp) *baja velocidad*

spin *vi* [past+pp spun] (a) to turn around very quickly (Esp) *rotar*. **Rifled guns have grooves on the interior of the barrel which ~ the projectile giving it stability.** (b) of aircraft, to turn rapidly in a twisting motion, possibly out of control (Esp) *dar vueltas*. **to go into a ~** (Esp) *entrar en barrena*

split *vi* also ~ **up**. to divide something into separate groups or parts (Esp) *dividir, separarse*. **Our platoon ~ into 3 squads. Squad A went north, B went east and C stayed where it was.**

spoil *n* [uncount] waste material from an excavation or quarry (Esp) *material sobrante*

spool *n* also **reel**, a roll of wire or cable (Esp) *bobina, rollo*

spool out *vt* to unroll something, such as a cable or a **tripwire** (*Esp*) *desenrollar*

SPORTS *abbr* a mnemonic representing the actions a rifleman must do if his assault rifle does not fire: **S**lap the magazine up, **P**ull the charging handle, **O**bserve the round in the chamber, **R**elease the charging handle, **T**ap the forward assistant, **S**queeze the trigger.

spring *n* **(a)** a place where water or oil emerges from an underground source (*Esp*) *manantial*, *fuenta* **(b)** a metal coil that absorbs movement (*Esp*) *muelle* ► also **return** ~

spur *n* **(a)** a ridge or line of elevation projecting from or subordinate to the main body of a mountain or mountain range (*Esp*) *espolón*, *saliente* **(b)** a thing that projects or branches off from a main body, in particular a short branch road or railway line. ~ **track** (*Esp*) *vía muerta*. **linking** ~ (*Esp*) *ramal de enlace*

spy *n* [*informal*] an operative of a **secret intelligence service** (*Esp*) *espía*

squad **(sq)** *n* (*AmE*) a unit consisting of 6-12 soldiers, usually led by a sergeant, which is equivalent to the British Army's **section** (*Esp*) *pelotón*. ~ **leader** (*AmE*) (*Esp*) *jefe de pelotón*

squad automatic weapon (SAW) *n* (*AmE*) ► **light support weapon**

squadron (Sqn) *n* **(a)** (*AmE*) [*Army*] cavalry battalion-sized unit (*Esp*) *grupo de caballería* **(b)** (*BrE*) [*Army*] armored or cavalry company-sized unit (*Esp*) *escuadrón* **(c)** [*Air Force*] a unit which is smaller than a **group** and usually consists of around 7 to 16 aircraft, that is to say 3 or 4 **flights** (*Esp*) *escuadrón* **(d)** [*Air Force*] (*BrE*) ~ **leader** a commissioned officer in the **RAF** who ranks with a major in the army (*Esp*) *comandante* (*la Fuerza Aérea británica*) ► **APPENDIX A - Ranks of the British Armed Forces**

squelch *n* an audio adjustment on a radio set, which reduces interference caused by static electricity (*Esp*) *squelch*, *supresor de ruidos*

SRAM *abbr* short-range air-to-surface attack missile (*Esp*) *misil de ataque aire-tierra de corto alcance*

SRBM *abbr* short-range ballistic missile (*Esp*) *misil balístico de corto alcance*

SSI *abbr* ► **shoulder sleeve insignia**

SSM *abbr* surface-to-surface missile (*Esp*) *misil superficie-superficie*

stab *vt* to wound someone with a bladed weapon, such as a combat knife or a bayonet (*Esp*) *apuñalar*. ~ **wound**, also **knife wound** *n* (*Esp*) *herida de arma blanca*

stability *n* in a situation of equilibrium (*Esp*) *estabilidad*, *equilibrio*. ~ **and support operation** use of the military for any purpose other than war (*Esp*) *operación de apoyo y estabilidad*. ► **military operations other than war (MOOTW)**

stable belt *n* (*BrE*) the colourful belt worn with the combat dress and other informal uniforms, which shows the distinguishing colours of regiments, corps and training units (*Esp*) *ceñidor* [*con diferente color dependiendo del regimiento*]

staff *n* [*singular and plural*] **(a)** all the people employed by a particular organization (*Esp*) *personal* **(b)** a group of officers assisting an officer in command of an army formation or administration headquarters (*Esp*) *Estado Mayor*, *Plana Mayor*

staging area *n* **(a)** a general zone between the mounting area and the objective of an amphibious or airborne expedition, through which the expedition, or parts of it, pass for refuelling, regrouping and/or exercise, inspection, and redistribution of troops (*Esp*) *zona de estacionamiento* **(b)** a place established for the concentration of units and transient personnel between movements over the lines of communication (*Esp*) *zona de estacionamiento*

staging plan *n* an air assault operation plan that is based on the loading plan and prescribes the arrival time of the ground units (troops, equipment, and supplies) at the pickup zone in the proper order for movement (*Esp*) *plan de concentración*

stamp *n* **(a)** an official ink mark, or the engraved implement used to make it, which indicates official authorisation, validation or ownership (*Esp*) *sello* (*oficial*). **date** ~ (*Esp*) *sello fechador* **(b)** also **postage** ~ a small piece of adhesive paper stuck on an envelope to show that postage has been paid (*Esp*) *sello* (*de correos*)

STANAG *abbr* NATO standardization agreement (*Esp*) *acuerdo de estandarización* (*de la OTAN*)

stand *v* [*past+pp stood*] have or maintain an upright position, supported by one's feet. ~ **to attention!** (Esp) ¡Firmes! ▶ also ~ **at ease** ▶ also ~ **easy**

stand at ease *phr* (a) (BrE) **parade rest** (AmE) (Esp) ≈ ¡Descanso ar! (b) (AmE) more relaxed than the **parade rest** command, allowing those in formation to turn their heads to face the speaker, and bend their arms slightly to raise the hands up to the small of the back. It can only be given from the positions of **attention** or **parade rest** (Esp) [no hay equivalente] ≈ ¡Descanso ar! ▶ also **stand easy**

stand by *vi* to wait, ready to deal with something or for further orders (Esp) *estar en estado de alerta*. **Two battalions were heading for the area and a third was standing by.** (Esp) *Dos batallones iban hacia la zona y un tercero se quedo a la espera.*

stand easy *phr* (BrE) a drill command given when in the **at ease** position, allowing those in formation to stand in a more relaxed posture, turn their heads, but not talk. Similar, but not identical, to the US drill command "**rest**" (Esp) ≈ ¡A discreción! ▶ also **stand at ease**

standard *n* a required or agreed level of quality or success (Esp) *nivel*. **The sergeant is not happy with the ~ of map reading.**

standardize *vt* also **standardise** (BrE) to make something conform to an established standard (Esp) *estandarizar*

standing operating procedures (SOP) *n* A set of instructions covering those features of operations which lend themselves to a definite or standardized procedure without loss of effectiveness. The procedure is applicable unless ordered otherwise. (Esp) *procedimiento operativo normalizado*. ▶ also **operating procedures** ▶ also **procedures**

standing orders *n* [*plural*] a set of common rules and regulations regarding discipline and duties (Esp) *orden de régimen interior*. ▶ also **order**

stand-off distance *n* (Esp) *distancia segura* [más allá del alcance de las armas enemigas]

stand-off target *n* (Esp) *blanco a distancia segura* [fuera del alcance de armas enemigas]

STANO *abbr* **surveillance, target acquisition** and night observation (Esp) *equipo de vigilancia, adquisición de objetivos y observación nocturna*. ~ **device** an optical device which aids in viewing objects at night (Esp) *dispositivos de visión nocturna*. ~ **devices are vital in night missions.**

star *n* a small symbol with several points radiating from its centre, which is worn by an officer to indicate his or her rank (Esp) *estrella*. ▶ also **pip** ▶ also **stripe**

start line (SL) *n* (Esp) *línea de partida*. ▶ **line of departure**

start point *n* A well defined point on a route at which a movement of vehicles begins to be under the control of the commander of this movement. In addition to the principal start point of a column there may be secondary start points for its different elements. (Esp) *punto de partida*

static noise *n* sharp, short bursts of noise on a radio receiver caused by electrical disturbances in the atmosphere or by electrical equipment (Esp) *ruido estático*

station *n* (a) **bus** ~, **railway** ~ a place where buses and coaches stop, or passenger trains stop on a railway line, typically with platforms and buildings (Esp) *estación de autobuses, estación de trenes* (b) the place where someone or something stands or is placed on military or other duty (Esp) *puesto* (c) **radio** ~, **TV** ~ a company involved in broadcasting of a specific kind (Esp) *emisora (de radio, de televisión)* (d) a place or building where a specified activity or service is based (Esp) *centro* (e) a small military base (Esp) *destacamento, puesto*

station *v* to put in or assign to a specified place for a particular purpose, especially a military one (Esp) *destinar*. **to be stationed in / at** (Esp) *estar destinado en*

status *n* also **readiness**. The current degree of preparedness of a unit for an operation (Esp) *estado de preparación de una fuerza*

status-of-force agreement (SOFA) *n* An agreement which defines the legal position of a visiting military force deployed in the territory of a friendly state. Agreements delineating the status of visiting military forces may be bilateral or multilateral. Provisions pertaining to the status of visiting forces may be set forth in a separate agreement, or they may form a part of a more comprehensive agreement. These provisions describe how the authorities of a visiting force may control members of that force and the amenability of the force or its members to

the local law or to the authority of local officials. To the extent that agreements delineate matters affecting the relations between a military force and civilian authorities and population, they may be considered as civil affairs agreements. (Esp) *acuerdo sobre el estado legal de las fuerzas*

stealth *adj* the act of moving, proceeding, or acting in a covert way (Esp) *furtivamente*. **The ~ fighter aircraft is able to avoid detection by enemy radar.**

steel *n* a metal alloy of iron with small amounts of carbon, which is widely used in construction (Esp) *acero*. ~ **drum** an oil barrel (Esp) *bidón de acero*

steel beam *n* a long, heavy piece of metal used in construction to support a perpendicular force (Esp) *viga de acero*

stick *n* ► **chalk**

STO *abbr* survive to operate (Esp) *sobrevivir para operar*

stock *n* also **buttstock**, **butt**. The thicker end of a weapon that is rests against the shoulder when firing (Esp) *culata*

stocks *n* [plural] the quantity of supplies and material on hand ready for use (Esp) *reservas*

stockyard *n* a large yard containing pens and sheds in which livestock is kept and sorted (Esp) *corral*

STOL *abbr adj* short take-off and landing [aircraft] (Esp) *de despegue y aterrizaje cortos*

stoppage *n* the situation in which a weapon unexpectedly stops firing, despite having ammunition, possibly due to a faulty cartridge, incorrect insertion of the magazine, or failure to correctly release the cocking lever (Esp) *interrupción*

storage site *n* a large open space or building where things are kept whilst they are not needed (Esp) *punto de almacenaje*. ► also **store** *vt*

store *vt* to put things in a container or other place and leave them there until they are needed (Esp) *almacenar*

store(s) *n* supplies of equipment and food kept for use by members of an army, navy, or other institution, or the place where they are kept (Esp) *almacén*

storm *v* to go into a building, ship or other enclosed area in an assault attack, often using the element of surprise (Esp) *asaltar*. **If we hear any gunshots we'll ~ the compound.** (Esp) *Si oímos algún disparo asaltaremos el complejo.*

storm boat *n* a small fast boat used in attacking manoeuvres (Esp) *lancha de asalto*

stow *vt* to store **cargo** on a ship, plane or similar (Esp) *estibar, arrumar*

stowage *n* storage space, typically on a ship or vehicle (Esp) *estiba, arrumaje, depósito*. ~ **bin** (Esp) *compartimiento*. **ammunition** ~ (Esp) *almacenaje para municiones*

strafe *v* to attack ground positions, enemy soldiers, or vehicles with machinegun fire from low-flying aircraft (Esp) *cañonear, ametrallar (desde el aire)*. **Our aircraft are strafing the fortified positions.** (Esp) *Nuestros aviones están cañoneando las posiciones fortificadas.*

straightforward *adj* to the point, free from deceit and honest (Esp) *franco*. **His message to the troops was ~. He clearly told them that probably five percent of them would die in battle.**

strap *n* a strip of cloth, leather or other flexible material, which is used to hold, secure or carry something (Esp) *correa, tirante, fiador*

strategic *adj* derivative from **strategy** (Esp) *estratégico*. **The Strait of Gibraltar is ~.** (Esp) *El Estrecho de Gibraltar es estratégico*. ~ **arms limitation treaty (SALT)** (Esp) *tratado de limitación de armas estratégicas*. ~ **intelligence** that which is required to determine military strategy, policy, plans, and operations (Esp) *inteligencia estratégica* ► also **intelligence**. ~ **level of war** the level of war at which a nation or group of nations determines national or multinational security objectives and deploys national, including military, resources to achieve them (Esp) *nivel estratégico de la guerra*. ~ **mobility** The capability to deploy and sustain military forces worldwide in support of national strategy. The ability to move forces to a theatre of operations. (Esp) *movilidad estratégica*. ~ **transport** (Esp) *transporte estratégico*

strategy *n* art of using of large military groupings (such as armies, corps, fleets, etc.) in order to achieve long term objectives which will affect the course of a campaign or war (Esp)

estrategia. The commander's long term ~ was to wear the enemy down by cutting off his supply routes. (Esp) La estrategia a largo plazo del mando era desgastar al enemigo cortando sus rutas de abastecimiento.

stream *n* a small, narrow **river** (Esp) *arroyo*

strike *n* a sudden attack, especially a military one (Esp) *ataque. air ~ (Esp) ataque aéreo*

strike *v* [past+pp **struck**] (a) to attack (Esp) *atacar* (b) *vt* to deliberately hit (Esp) *pegar*

stringer *n* horizontal element or beam within a structural framework (Esp) *tirante, viga*

strip *vt* to take apart the component parts of a machine or weapon (Esp) *desmontar. ~ the rifle and clean it. (Esp) Desmonta el fusil y límpialo. ► also disassemble*

stripe *n* a cotton chevron sewn onto a uniform to indicate military rank (Esp) *galón. ► also gold bar ► also pip ► also star*

strong point *n* a key point in a defensive position, usually strongly fortified and heavily armed with automatic weapons, around which other positions are grouped for its protection (Esp) *punto fuerte*

subaltern *n* (BrE) an officer below the rank of captain (Esp) *empleo de alférez o teniente*

submachinegun *n* (AmE) **sub-machinegun** (BrE) a hand-held lightweight automatic weapon (Esp) *subfusil, metralleta*

submunition *n* (AmE) **sub-munition** (BrE) munition dispensed from cluster bombs or projectile dispensers (Esp) *submuniciones*

subscriber *n* (a) a user of a communications network (Esp) *abonado* (b) a person who pays money regularly to receive copies of a newspaper or magazine (Esp) *subscriber*

subtract *vt* take away (a number or amount) from another to calculate the difference (Esp) *restar. ~ 43 from 65.*

subversion *n* an action designed to undermine the military, economic, psychological, or political strength or morale of a regime (Esp) *subversión*

suicide *n* the act of intentionally killing oneself (Esp) *suicidio. ~ attack (Esp) ataque suicida. ~ belt (Esp) cinturón de explosivos. ~ bomber (Esp) bomba suicida. ~ vest (Esp) chaleco con explosivos. ~ improvised explosive device ► SIED*

suit *vt* go well with or enhance the features, figure, or character of someone (Esp) *sentar, quedar bien o favorecer a alguien (una prenda). The service uniform doesn't ~ him at all. (Esp) El uniforme de paseo no le sienta nada de bien/ no le favorece nada.*

sullage pit *n* also **soakage pit**. A hole in the ground into which water from washing and bathing, but not from toilets, is poured. (Esp) *pozo de drenaje*

summary *n* a short statement of previously established facts or ideas, giving the essential information without all the details (Esp) *resumen. ~ report (Esp) informe resumido.*

intelligence *~ (INTSUM)* a standardised report providing a summary of an **intelligence** situation over a particular period of time, including enemy activity and estimated capability, and the latest information collections, analysis and intelligence produced (Esp) *resumen de información. daily intelligence ~ (DISUM)* a standardised report prepared at a **joint force** headquarters that provides higher, lateral, and subordinate **headquarters** with a summary of all significant **intelligence** produced during the previous 24-hour period (Esp) *resumen diario de inteligencia*

supplier *n* a company or individual who supplies something (Esp) *proveedor. ► supply vt*

supply *n* (a) act of providing a group of people with the things they need, such as food, ammunition or fuel for military units (Esp) *abastecimiento. ~ battalion (Esp) grupo de abastecimiento. ~ convoy, also combat logistics patrol (CLP) (Esp) convoy de abastecimiento. ~ point* a place where supplies are issued (Esp) *punto de abastecimiento* (b) [plural] [count] **supplies** the items which an army needs in order to carry out its tasks, such as food, water, ammunition, or fuel (Esp) *suministros*

supply *vt* provide someone with something needed or wanted (Esp) *suministrar. The logistic unit will ~ the forces. (Esp) La unidad logística suministrará a las fuerzas.*

support *n* material assistance (Esp) *apoyo. He urged that military ~ be sent to protect humanitarian convoys. (Esp) Insistió en que se enviara apoyo militar para proteger los convoys de ayuda humanitaria. ~ by fire* A tactical task in which a maneuver element

moves to a position on the battlefield where it can engage the enemy by direct fire to support a maneuvering force by either support by fire by overwatching or by establishing a base of fire. The maneuver element does not attempt to maneuver to capture enemy forces or terrain. (Esp) *apoyo por el fuego*. ~ **company** (Esp) *compañía de apoyo*. ~ **echelon** ▶ **echelon**. ~ **staff** (Esp) *personal de apoyo*. ~ **weapons** (Esp) *armas de apoyo*. **direct** ~ that given directly to a combat unit, the user, as opposed to general support, which is the support given to a unit providing direct support (Esp) *apoyo directo*. **fire** ~ (Esp) *apoyo de fuegos*

support *vt* (a) to assist or help another person or group (Esp) *apoyar, sostener*. **Company B** will ~ **us**. (Esp) *La compañía B nos apoyará* (b) bear all or part of the weight of; hold up (Esp) *apoyar, sostener*

supporting fire *n* fire delivered by supporting units to assist or protect a unit in combat (Esp) *fuego de apoyo*. ▶ also **fire** *n*

suppress *vt* to limit enemy personnel's ability to perform his mission by firing at known and likely enemy positions at critical time (Esp) *suprimir*

suppression *n* the act of suppressing (Esp) *supresión*

suppressive fire *n* continuous fire used to temporarily neutralise or significantly reduce an enemy's firepower by forcing them to keep under cover (Esp) *fuego de supresión*. ▶ also **fire** *n*

surface-to-air-missile (SAM) *n* a surface-launched missile designed to operate against a target above the surface of the earth (Esp) *misil superficie-aire*

surface-to-surface missile (SSM) *n* a surface-launched missile designed to operate against a target on the surface of the earth (Esp) *misil superficie-superficie*

surge *n* (a) a sudden large thrust or vigorous attack (Esp) *golpe* (b) a sudden large increase in energy, especially in voltage or rate of flow (Esp) *pico, aumento repentino*

surname *n* also **family name**, e.g. Smith, which follows the **first name** or names in European countries (Esp) *apellido*

surprise *n* (a) an unexpected action or event (b) the act of surprising someone (Esp) *sorpresa*. ~ **will be vital for the success of this operation**. (Esp) *La sorpresa será fundamental para el éxito de esta operación*.

surrender *v* to allow the enemy to capture or to give up (Esp) *rendirse*

surround *vt* to encircle enemy forces (Esp) *cercar*

surveillance (surv) *n* systematic observation of aerospace, surface or subsurface areas, places, persons, or things, by visual, aural, electronic, photographic, or other means (Esp) *vigilancia*. ▶ also **tracking**. ~ **radar** (Esp) *radar de vigilancia*. **counter--** the systematic observation of friendly areas, places, persons or things by visual, aural, electronic, photographic, or other means, as a means of defense against suspected or known observation by enemy forces (Esp) *contravigilancia*. **long-range** ~ **(LRS)** surveillance of an enemy force or a specific area over extended distances using long-range surveillance units, special operations forces, and/or division, corps, theater or national monitoring devices (Esp) *vigilancia a larga distancia*. **reconnaissance and** ~ **plan** (Esp) *plan de reconocimiento y vigilancia*

survey *n* (a) also **land** ~, the act of examining and recording information about an area of land so as to construct a map (Esp) *levantamiento topográfico* (b) a department carrying out the surveying of land **British Geological** ~ (Esp) *Servicio Geográfico Británico*. **artillery** ~ (Esp) *topografía artillera*

survey *vt* to examine and record the extent, position and features of an area of land so as to construct a map, plan or description (Esp) *hacer un levantamiento topográfico, levantar un mapa (de una zona)*

surveying *n* also **topography**. The science of making surveys of land (Esp) *topografía*

survive to operate (STO) *n* [doctrine] (Esp) *sobrevivir para operar*

suspenders *n* [plural] (a) (BrE) elastic straps attached to a belt, fastened to the top of a stocking to hold it up (Esp) *ligas* (b) (AmE) a pair of elastic straps for holding up trousers ▶ also **braces** (Esp) *tirantes* (c) **belt** ~, **load-bearing** ~ or **LBE** ~ ▶ also **yoke straps** (Esp) *trinchas*

sustained *adj* cause to continue or be prolonged for an extended period or without interruption (*Esp*) *sostenido*. ~ **offensive** (*Esp*) *ofensiva continuada*

SVBIED *abbr* suicide vehicle-borne improvised explosive device (*Esp*) *artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo y activado por el conductor*. ► **VBIED** ► also **improvised explosive device**

swamp *n* an area of low-lying land which is almost entirely flooded by shallow water in wet seasons or at high tide, and typically remains waterlogged at all times (*Esp*) *ciénaga, pantano*

sweat pants *n* [*plural*] (*AmE*) loose, warm cotton trousers with an elasticated or drawstring waist, worn when doing sport or as casual wear (*Esp*) *pantalones de chándal*. ► **APPENDIX B**

sweat shirt *n* a loose, warm cotton **sweater**, worn when doing sport or as casual wear (*Esp*) *sudadera*. ► **APPENDIX B**

sweat suit *n* a loose, warm set of clothes consisting of a **sweatshirt** and **sweat pants** with an elasticated or drawstring waist, worn when exercising or as casual wear ► also **track suit** (*Esp*) *chándal*. ► **APPENDIX B**

sweater *n* a knitted or thick cotton garment with long sleeves, worn over the upper body. ► also **pullover, jersey, jumper**. (*Esp*) *jersey*

swift *adj* moving or capable of moving at high speed (*Esp*) *rápido*

swiftly *adv* happening quickly, without delay (*Esp*) *rápido*. **The raiding party only had five minutes to perform their job so they moved ~.**

swipe *vt* to pass a card, usually an ID or credit card, through a card reading device (*Esp*) *pasar (una tarjeta)*

switch *n* a device for turning electrical apparatus on and off (*Esp*) *interruptor*. **pressure plate ~** (*Esp*) *interruptor con placa de presión*

switching *n* The process of temporarily associating functional units, transmission channels or telecommunication circuits for the purpose of providing a desired telecommunications facility. Examples are **circuit ~**, **message ~** and **packet ~** [*communications*] (*Esp*) *conmutación*. ~ **center**, ~ **station** The place where the various circuits of **subscribers** and other switching centers are terminated to enable communications either between two subscribers in the same circuit or or between different subscribers on different circuits. (*Esp*) *centro de conmutación*

synagogue *n* a Jewish house of prayer (*Esp*) *sinagoga*

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tab *n* (*AmE*) strip of fabric, usually with the name of a special skill such as Ranger or Special Forces worn on the left shoulder sleeve of the jacket, below the shoulder seam and over the shoulder sleeve insignia (current organisation) (*Esp*) *parche*

table of organization and equipment (TOE) *n* a large manual that details all the equipment which every army unit is required to possess (*Esp*) *plantilla orgánica*

taboo frequencies *n* [*count*] Frequencies that are restricted from use or jamming by friendly forces. The following are some examples of these frequencies. Defense Communications System radar frequencies used for friendly early warning air defense; internationally controlled or treaty-governed frequencies, such as broadcast emergency frequencies and commercial air and shipping traffic control frequencies. (*Esp*) *frecuencias tabú*

TAC CP *abbr* ► **tactical command post**

TACSATCOM *abbr* Tactical Satellite Communications. Communications via satellite, provided by, or under the operational control of, commanders of combat forces, combat troops, combat support troops, or forces assigned a combat service support mission. (*Esp*) *comunicaciones tácticas por satélite*

tactic *n* a combination of firepower, formation and maneuver, which is used to achieve a military objective (*Esp*) *táctica*

tactical *adj* (**a**) relating to, or constituting actions carefully planned to gain a specific military end (related to tactics) (*Esp*) *táctico*. ~ **withdrawal** *n* (*Esp*) *retirada táctica (planeada)*. ~

minefield *n* a minefield which is part of a formation barrier plan and is laid to delay, channel or break up an enemy advance (*Esp*) *campo de minas táctico*. ~ **mobility** *n* the ability to move forces within a theatre of operations (*Esp*) *movilidad táctica* (**b**) relating to the battlefield (*Esp*) *táctico*. ~ **dispersion** *n* the spreading out of troops (*Esp*) *dispersión táctica*. ~ **command (TACOM)** *n* the authority delegated to a commander to assign tasks to forces under his or her command for the accomplishment of the mission assigned by higher authority (*Esp*) *mando táctico*. ~ **command post (TAC CP)** *n* The forward echelon of a headquarters. The TAC CP consists of representatives from G/S2, G/S3, fire support, tactical air control party, air defense artillery engineers, and combat service support liaison (G/S1, G/S4) elements. It is located well forward on the battlefield so that the commander is near subordinate commanders and can directly influence operations. At division level, the TAC CP is normally located within FM radio range of the committed brigades. (*Esp*) *puesto de mando táctico*. ~ **control (TACON)** *n* the detailed and usually local direction and control of movement and manoeuvre necessary to accomplish missions or tasks assigned (*Esp*) *control táctico*. ~ **group (TG)** *n* (*Esp*) *grupo táctico*. ~ **intelligence** *n* that which is required to plan and conduct tactical operations (*Esp*) *inteligencia táctica* ►also **intelligence**. ~ **operations center (TOC)** *n* a physical grouping of the elements of an Army general and special staff concerned with current tactical **operations** and the tactical support required (*Esp*) *centro de operaciones tácticas*

tactics *n* (**a**) art of employing military forces (battalions, brigades, divisions, etc.) on the battlefield in order to achieve local objectives. ~, **techniques and procedures** (*Esp*) *tácticas, técnicas y procedimientos* ►**TTP** (**b**) the art and science of employing available means to win battles and engagements (*Esp*) *táctica*. **I studied ~ at the General Military Academy.** (*Esp*) *estudié táctica en la Academia General Militar*.

tailor *v* to task-organize forces for the accomplishment of a specific mission (*Esp*) *adaptar la unidad a la misión*

take notes *v* (*Esp*) *tomar nota*. **Sergeant, order your men to ~ of what has been said at the briefing!**

take off *v* (**a**) *vi* of a plane or helicopter, to rise into the air at the beginning of a flight (*Esp*) *despegar* (**b**) *vt* to remove something, especially an item of clothing (*Esp*) *quitarse*

take over (obstacles) *vt* (*Esp*) *hacerse cargo, tomar a cargo*

takedown pin *n* ►**locking pin**

tam-o'-shanter *n* (*BrE*) a round woollen or cloth cap of Scottish origin with a bobble in the centre (*Esp*) *boina escocesa [prenda de cabeza de regimientos escoceses]*

tandem warhead *n* A tandem warhead is a warhead which consists of two separately initiated shaped charges. The first charge is designed to initiate and remove a section of explosive reactive armour, and the second to attack the main armour which is thus exposed. (*Esp*) *cabeza de guerra en tándem*

tank *n* (**a**) a large container for holding liquids (*Esp*) *depósito, tanque*. **water** ~ (*Esp*) *depósito de agua* (**b**) (**tk**) also **main battle** ~ (**MBT**) the combat vehicle with the greatest short-to-medium range firepower and protection on the battlefield, which is usually tracked (*Esp*) *carro de combate* ►also **APC** ►also **IFV**

tanker *n* ship, road vehicle, or aircraft for carrying liquids, especially mineral oils in bulk (*Esp*) *tanque*

target *n* (**a**) an individual, vehicle or place selected to be fired on (*Esp*) *objetivo*. ~ **acquisition** the decision, identification and location of a target in sufficient detail to permit the effective use of weapons (*Esp*) *adquisición de objetivo*. ~ **acquisition sights** (*Esp*) *visores de adquisición de objetivos*. ~ **analysis** the examination of potential targets to determine military importance, priority of attack and weapons required to obtain a desired level of damage or casualties (*Esp*) *análisis de objetivos*. ~ **identification** (*Esp*) *identificación del blanco*. ~ **reference point (TRP)** (*Esp*) *punto de referencia del blanco*. ~ **signature** the characteristic pattern of a target as displayed by detection and identification equipment (*Esp*) *firma de un blanco* (**b**) an final objective or result, to which efforts are directed (*Esp*) *objetivo*

task *n* a piece of work that must be done, especially something that is difficult but important (Esp) *cometido, tarea*. ~ **force** (Esp) *agrupación táctica*. ~ **Force Kandahar** (Esp) *Agupación Táctica de Kandahar*. ~ **organization** The act of designing an operating force, support staff, or logistic package of specific size and composition to meet a unique task or mission. Characteristics to examine when task-organizing the force include, but are not limited to: training, experience, equipment, sustainability, operating environment, enemy threat, and mobility (Esp) *organización operativa*

tassel *n* a decorative piece of rope hanging from part of a uniform, such as a garrison cap (Esp) *borla*

tba *abbr* to be announced (Esp) *pendiente de aviso*

TBC *abbr* to be confirmed (Esp) *pendiente de confirmación, pendiente de normalización*

TBD *abbr* to be decided, or to be determined (Esp) *a determinar*

TCP *abbr* traffic control post (Esp) *puesto de control de trafico*

TDA *abbr* ► **temporary duty assignment**

TDY *abbr* (a) temporary duty (Esp) *servicio temporal* (b) ► **tour of duty**

team *n* (a) a small military unit consisting of four to six people, which is half the size of a squad (Esp) *escuadra* (b) a group of people who play a sport or game together against another group or groups (Esp) *equipo* (c) a group of people who work together to fulfil a particular task (Esp) *equipo*

TECHINT *abbr* ► **technical intelligence**

technical intelligence (TECHINT) *n* that derived from the discovery of new enemy materiel on the battlefield and its assessment, eventually leading to the production of a countermeasure to neutralize the enemy's technological advantage (Esp) *inteligencia técnica*

tell-tale sign *n* some form of evidence from which facts may be deduced (Esp) *señal reveladora*.

The foot prints in the sand were a --- ~ that someone had been there recently.

tempo *n* the speed at which an event happens, such as a military operation (Esp) *ritmo*

temporary duty (TDY) *n* (Esp) *servicio temporal*

temporary duty assignment (TDA) *n* a special task that someone has been ordered to carry out (Esp) *comisión de servicio*. **to be on** ~ (Esp) *estar de comisión de servicio*

tent *n* a portable made of cloth, supported by one or more poles and stretched tight by cords or loops attached to pegs driven into the ground (Esp) *tienda de campaña*. **poncho** ~, also **basha** [infrml] (BrE) a simple refuge made from a poncho (Esp) *vivaque*

terminal value *n* the expected value of assets at the end of their expected life (Esp) *valor residual, valor terminal*

TERP *abbr* ► **interpreter**

terrain *n* [uncount] also **ground** or **land**, especially with regard to its shape and physical features (Esp) *terreno*. ~ **analysis** the process of collecting, analysing, and assessing information on any kind of land feature, together with any other significant information, in order to predict the effect of the terrain on future military operations (Esp) *estudio del terreno*. ~ **complexity** (Esp) *complejidad del terreno*. ~ **features** (Esp) *accidentes del terreno*. ~ **sketch** (Esp) *croquis del terreno*. ~ **trafficability** (Esp) *accesibilidad o practicabilidad del terreno*. **bare** ~ (Esp) *terreno despejado, terreno sin vegetación*. **broken** ~ (Esp) *terreno quebrado o accidentado*. **captured** ~ (Esp) *terreno conquistado, terreno ocupado*. **close** ~ (Esp) *terreno cubierto o con obstáculos*. **compartmented** ~ (Esp) *terreno compartimentado*. **coverless** ~ (Esp) *terreno despejado, sin abrigos, que no ofrece protección*. **defiladed** ~ (Esp) *terreno desfilado*. **flat** ~ (Esp) *terreno llano*. **forested** ~ (Esp) *terreno boscoso, terreno arbolado*. **hilly** ~ (Esp) *terreno accidentado, con pendientes*. **impassable terrain** ~ (Esp) *terreno intransitable*. **key** ~ (Esp) *terreno clave*. **marshy** ~ (Esp) *terreno pantanoso*. **mountainous** ~ (Esp) *terreno montañoso*. **passable** ~ (Esp) *terreno transitable*. **rocky** ~ (Esp) *terreno rocoso*. **rough** ~, **rugged** ~ (Esp) *terreno abrupto, terreno accidentado*. **seized** ~ (Esp) *terreno ocupado, terreno conquistado*. **scarp** ~ (Esp) *terreno escarpado*. **swampy** ~ (Esp) *terreno pantanoso*. **tank-negotiable** ~ (Esp) *terreno de fácil tránsito para carros de combate*. **tankproof** ~ (Esp) *terreno inaccesible para carros de combate*. **wooded** ~ (Esp) *terreno arbolado, terreno boscoso*

terrorism *n* the calculated use of violence, or the threat of violence, to intimidate, generate chaos and instil fear in the pursuit of political, religious or ideological aims (*Esp*) *terrorismo*. ► also **cyberterrorism**

terrorist *n* someone who commits, or plans to commit, acts of **terrorism** in the pursuit of political, religious or ideological aims (*Esp*) *terrorista*. ► also **cyberterrorism**

TF *abbr* ► **task force**

TG *abbr* tactical group (*Esp*) *grupo táctico*. ► **tactical**

theodolite *n* [*surveying*] a device used by civil engineers and topographers to measure distances and angles between different points (*Esp*) *teodolito*. ► also **topography**

thermal imager (TI) *n* a device which uses infra-red technology to produce a picture of the heat signature of an object against its background (*Esp*) *visor térmico*. ► also **thermal imagery instrument**

thermal imagery instrument *n* also **thermal image device**. a device that senses and records thermal energy (heat) as it is emitted or reflected from solid objects, in order to be able to see someone or something through fog, smoke, camouflage, or at night (*Esp*) *captador térmico de imágenes*. **Tanks often have a ~ which enables tank crews to locate any heat source near them.**

thermal imaging sight *n* (*Esp*) *mira térmica*. ► **thermal imagery instrument**

thermal sleeve the protective layer along a large-calibre gun barrel, which serves to reduce damage from the intense heat generated during prolonged firing (*Esp*) *camisa térmica*

thickness *n* the distance between two opposite sides (*Esp*) *grosor*

threat *n* (a) something that is dangerous or hostile (*Esp*) *peligro* (b) an enemy force (*Esp*) *fuerza enemiga* (c) a statement declaring an intention to cause damage, suffering or trouble (*Esp*) *amenaza*. **The main ~ is from the north.** (*Esp*) *La principal amenaza viene del norte*. a **bomb ~** (*Esp*) *una amenaza de bomba*

threaten *vt* (a) to maneuver against (*Esp*) *amenazar* (b) to say that you intend to do damage, or to harm someone (*Esp*) *amenazar*

TIC *abbr* troops in contact with the enemy (*Esp*) *tropas en combate*. ► also **troops**

tie *n* also **necktie**. A strip of material round the collar and tied in a knot at the front with the ends hanging down, typically forming part of a man's smart or formal outfit (*Esp*) *corbata*. ► also **four-in-hand necktie**

tie-down points *n* [*count*] metal loops attached to an armored vehicle for lifting or securing during transport (*Esp*) *puntos de anclaje*

tighten *vt* to close or fasten something firmly by turning it, usually clockwise, such as a screw, or pull something hard, such as a rope, to make it tight (*Esp*) *apretar*

time on target (TOT) *n* (a) the time at which aircraft are scheduled to attack or photograph a target, or they actually do so (*Esp*) *hora sobre el blanco* (b) in other than air operations, the actual time of the first synchronised weapons effect on a target (*Esp*) *hora sobre el blanco*

timer *n* an automated device that is programmed to activate another device at a set time (*Esp*) *temporizador*. **washing machine ~** (*Esp*) *temporizador de lavadora*

timing *n* a particular point or period of time when something happens or should be done (*Esp*) *cronometraje*. **These are not the exact timings, they are just estimated times on arrival.**

tin opener *n* a device used to open canned food in the **combat ration pack** (*Esp*) *abrelatas*

TNT *abbr* trinitrotoluene (*Esp*) *trinitrotolueno, TNT*

TOC *abbr* ► **tactical operations center**

TOE *abbr* ► **Table of Organization and Equipment**

toe plate *n* the section of protective armour located at the front underside part of a tank hull or other similar armoured vehicle (*Esp*) *placa blindada frontal inferior* ► also **glacis plate**

ton *n* In the UK, a unit of weight equal to 2,240 lb (1016.05 kg). In the USA, a ton is 2,000 lb. (*Esp*) *tonelada*. **metric ~** a unit of weight equal to 1000 kg, also **tonne** (*Esp*) *tonelada métrica*. **4-tonner** *n* a 4000-kg lorry to transport either people or goods (*Esp*) *camión de 'X' toneladas*

tonne *n* ► **metric ton**

top speed *n* maximum velocity (*Esp*) *velocidad máxima*

topography *n* (a) [*surveying*] the study and detailed description of the shape and features of the surface of the Earth (*Esp*) *topografía*. ►also **theodolite** (b) shapes and features occurring in an area on the surface of the Earth (*Esp*) *topografía*. ►also **terrain**. **The local ~ makes normal line-of-sight communication difficult.**

torch *n* (BrE) **flash light** (AmE) a portable battery-powered electric lamp (*Esp*) *linterna*

tour of duty *n* also **tour**. A period of duty on military or diplomatic service (*Esp*) *período de servicio, misión*. **She's serving a ~ in Lebanon.** (*Esp*) *Está destinado en El Líbano.*

tourniquet *n* [*first aid*] any piece of cloth that is tied tightly above an open wound to stop severe blood loss (*Esp*) *torniquete*

TOW *abbr* a tube-launched optically-tracked wire-guided missile, which is crew portable

tow *vt* to move a vehicle, aircraft or ship by pulling it with another vehicle (*Esp*) *remolcar*. ~ **truck** *n* also **breakdown truck**, a vehicle equipped with a mechanical apparatus for hoisting and pulling, used to tow wrecked, disabled, or broken-down vehicles (*Esp*) *grúa*

towed *adj* that which is not self-propelled and needs another vehicle to pull it (*Esp*) *remolcado*. ~ **gun** (*Esp*) *cañón remolcado*

tower *n* a tall, narrow building (*Esp*) *torre*. **air traffic control** ~ (*Esp*) *torre de control*. **water** ~ (*Esp*) *torre de agua*

towing vehicle *n* (*Esp*) *vehículo de remolque, vehículo tractor* ► **tractor**

tracer ammunition *n* also **tracer**. a standard round with a pyrotechnic charge at the base, which burns very brightly to enable its trajectory to be observed (*Esp*) *munición trazadora*

track *n* (a) a rough path or minor road, typically one beaten by use rather than constructed (*Esp*) *pista*. **Follow the forest ~ to the farm.** **cart** ~ (*Esp*) *camino carretero* (b) the continuous, flexible or hinged path which a track laying vehicle lays down on the ground in front of itself to spread its weight and to secure adhesion, and picks up again behind itself (*Esp*) *cadena*.
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track suit *n* a loose, warm set of clothes consisting of a sweatshirt and sweat pants with an elasticated or drawstring waist, worn when exercising or as casual wear.►also **sweat suit** (*Esp*) *chándal*. ►APPENDIX B

tracked *adj* fitted with tracks (*Esp*) *de cadenas*. ~ **vehicle** *n* Any vehicle which employs tracks for movement (*Esp*) *vehículo oruga, vehículo de cadenas*

tracking *n* the act of following the exact movement of an aircraft, vehicle or ship using surveillance equipment or a missile guidance system (*Esp*) *seguimiento*. ~ **radar** (*Esp*) *radar de seguimiento*

tractor *n* a powerful motor vehicle that tows trailers (*Esp*) *cabeza tractora* [*para remolcar remolques*]

trail *n* (a) a beaten path through rough country such as a wood or moor (*Esp*) *camino, sendero, senda* (b) structure at the rear of an artillery piece, like a long metal leg, on which the gun rests for firing and that enables it to be towed by a vehicle (*Esp*) *mástil*

trailer (ttr) *n* an unpowered vehicle towed by another, in particular the rear section of an articulated lorry (*Esp*) *remolque*

trainers *n* [*plural*] (BrE) soft shoes, suitable for sports or casual wear (*Esp*) *zapatillas de deporte*.
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training (trg) *n* teaching and practice of military skills (*Esp*) *instrucción*. **The unit spent one month in Jaca undergoing mountain ~.** (*Esp*) *La unidad pasó un mes en Jaca realizando instrucción en montaña*. ~ **area** a place where military units usually go on maneuvers (*Esp*) *campo de maniobras*. ~ **exercise** (*Esp*) *ejercicio, maniobra*. **basic** ~ the essential, initial training courses that all new recruits must pass in order to remain in the Armed Forces (*Esp*) *formación básica militar, formación general militar (FORGEM)*. **field** ~ **exercise** (FTX) (*Esp*) *ejercicio de campo, maniobra*. **on the job** ~ training to acquire skills through actual performance of duties under competent supervision (*Esp*) *trabajo en prácticas*. **pre-mission** ~ (*Esp*) *curso de preparación para una misión*. **refresher** ~ teaching of theory and practices that either may have been forgotten with time, or that need to be brought up to date (*Esp*) *curso de reciclaje*

trajectory *n* the path of a bullet or shell through the air (*Esp*) *trayectoria*

transceiver *n* A combined radio transmitter and receiver made as a single unit, generally used for portable or mobile applications. Some or all of the stages and components are used for both transmitting and receiving. Switches are used to change from transmit to receive or from receive to transmit. (Esp) *transmisor-receptor*

transfer of authority (TOA) *n* An order in which, by direction of higher authority, all or part of a unit is replaced in an area by the incoming unit. The responsibilities of the replaced elements for the mission and the assigned zone of operations are transferred to the incoming unit as detailed in the TOA. (Esp) *transferencia de autoridad*

transmission line *n* any conductor or system of conductors used to carry electrical energy from its source to its load (Esp) *línea de transmisión*

transmitter *n* a radio transmitter is a piece of equipment that generates and amplifies a radio frequency signal, adds intelligence to this signal, and then sends it out into the air as a radio frequency wave (Esp) *transmisor*

transportation *n* a system or means of transporting people or goods (Esp) *transporte*. ~ **platoon** (Esp) *sección de transporte*

trap *n* a device designed to capture or kill animals or people (Esp) *trampa*. ► **booby trap**

travel allowance *n* money paid to refund transport and accommodation expenses (Esp) *dieta*

travelling *ger. (BrE) traveling (AmE) (a)* unit movement when contact with the enemy is not probable (Esp) *marcha (b)* ~ **overwatch** (Esp) *vigilancia móvil*

tree *n* (Esp) *árbol*. ~ **obstacle** (Esp) *obstáculo con árboles* ► **obstacle**

trench *n* a long narrow hole in the ground (Esp) *trincheras, zanja*. A ~ **provides cover and concealment**. (Esp) *Una trinchera da abrigo y ocultación*.

trench foot *n* also known as **immersion**. A medical condition affecting soldiers whose feet have been exposed to wet, and almost freezing, conditions, for a long period. Treatment should be as for **frostbite**. (Esp) *pie de trinchera*. ► also **hypothermia**

triage *n* an evaluation and classification of casualties for the purpose of evacuation and treatment (Esp) *triaje, clasificación de bajas*

trigger *n* a small device that releases a spring or catch and so sets off a mechanism, especially in order to fire a gun (Esp) *disparador, gatillo* ► APPENDIX C. ~ **guard** a part of a rifle, pistol or similar, which surrounds the trigger, and serves to protect it from damage or accidental activation (Esp) *guardamonte*

triggering screen *n* an additional roof or similar cover, above an emplacement, which serves to activate projectiles higher above personnel, thereby reducing the effectiveness of the blast (Esp) *pantalla de protección*

tripod *n* a support consisting of three legs, such as that of a heavy machine gun (Esp) *trípode*. ► also **bipod**

tripwire *n* a cable fixed just above above ground level, which when pulled will activate either an explosive device or give off a signal, such as a flare, to indicate the presence of the enemy (Esp) *cable de tracción*. ~ **mine** (Esp) *mina accionada por cable de tracción*

troop (tp) *n (a) (AmE)* a Cavalry unit, equivalent in size to a **company** (Esp) *escuadrón (b) (BrE)* a military unit of the Royal Armoured Corps, the Royal Engineers, the Royal Corps of Signals, the Royal Logistics Corps and the Special Air Service, equivalent in size to a **platoon** (Esp) *sección (de caballería, etc.)*

troop carrier *n* also **troop carrying vehicle (TCV)** a vehicle designed for the transportation of soldiers (Esp) *vehículo para transporte de tropas*. ► also **APC**

trooper (Tpr) *n* a **private** in a military unit with a cavalry tradition, or the British **Special Air Service** (Esp) *soldado*

troops *n* soldiers or armed forces, especially in large numbers (Esp) *tropas, fuerzas, soldados*. Our ~ (Esp) *Nuestras tropas*. 500 ~ (Esp) *500 soldados*. ~ **in contact (TIC)** (Esp) *tropas en combate*

TRP *abbr* target reference point (Esp) *punto de referencia del blanco*

truck-mounted crane *n* a crane mounted onto a lorry (Esp) *camión grúa*

trunk circuit *n* also **long-haul wire circuit, trunk**. A circuit connecting two distant central offices, by cable, UHF radio or satellite. Links can either be voice, fax, data or e-mail (Esp) *circuito troncal*. ► also **circuit**

trunks *n* [plural] men's sport shorts, especially those used for swimming or boxing (*Esp*) *pantalones cortos de deporte*

T-shirt *n* a short-sleeved casual top, generally made of cotton, having the shape of a T when spread out flat (*Esp*) *camiseta (de manga corta)*

TTP *abbr* tactics, techniques and procedures (*Esp*) *tácticas, técnicas y procedimientos, TTP*. **Change your ~ each time you find a mine.** (*Esp*) *Cambia tus ~ cada vez que encuentras una mina.*

tunic *n* (*BrE*) a close-fitting coat or jacket of a military or police uniform, especially one forming part of a ceremonial uniform (*Esp*) *guerrera*

tuning *n* the process of adjusting a radio circuit so that it resonates at the desired frequency (*Esp*) *sintonización*

turf *n* an area in-situ or extracted pieces of grass, together with its roots and some soil, which are ideal for use as camouflage (*Esp*) *césped, tepe*

turret *n* a small tower, a dome like heavily armored structure usually revolving horizontally within which guns are mounted (*Esp*) *torreta* ► **APPENDIX D.** ~ **defilade** no part of the tank is visible from the enemy position (*Esp*) *desenfilada de torre* ► also **defilade**

turtleneck *n* ► **roll-neck overshirt**

two-way radio *n* also **radio set**, an apparatus for both transmitting and receiving radio signals, which often incorporates a push-to-talk button (*Esp*) *aparato o estación de radio, transceptor*. ► also **walkie-talkie**

U

UAV *abbr* **unmanned or unpiloted aerial vehicle**. There are two kinds of UAVs: those controlled from a remote location and those that fly autonomously based on pre-programmed flight plans using more complex dynamic automation systems. Currently, UAVs can perform both **reconnaissance** and attack missions (*Esp*) *VANT, vehículo aéreo no tripulado*

UIC *abbr* (*AmE*) unit identification code, consisting of six digits (*Esp*) *código de identificación de la unidad*

UN *abbr* **the ~**. The United Nations Organization (*Esp*) *la ONU*

unconscious *adj* being unable to move or communicate, in a state similar to being asleep, which is often temporary (*Esp*) *inconsciente*

underclothes *n* [plural] also **underwear**. Clothing worn under other clothes, next to the skin (*Esp*) *ropa interior*

underground shelter *n* a subterranean refuge, such as that designed to protect civilians during an **air raid** (*Esp*) *refugio bajo tierra, refugio subterráneo*

undertaking *n* a large or difficult task or job (*Esp*) *tarea ardua*. **Organizing the operation has been a massive ~.** (*Esp*) *Organizar la operación ha sido una tarea ardua.*

underwater *adj adv* below the surface of the water (*Esp*) *sumergido, subacuático, submarino*

underwear *n* [uncount] also **underclothes**. Clothing worn under other clothes, typically next to the skin (*Esp*) *ropa interior*

unencumbered *adj* (a) not burdened with cares or responsibilities (*Esp*) *libre de / sin cargas o responsabilidad*. **to live an ~ life** (b) free to move your extremities and move about (*Esp*) *libre*

unfold *vt* when a situation develops and becomes known or understood (*Esp*) *desvelar*. **The outcome depends on how events ~.** (*Esp*) *El resultado depende de cómo se desarrollen los acontecimientos.*

unforeseen *adj* not felt or realized beforehand, unexpected (*Esp*) *imprevisto*. ~ **difficulties** (*Esp*) *dificultades imprevistos, cualquier imprevisto*

uniform *adj* constant, without variations in detail, not deviating (*Esp*) *uniforme*

uniform *n* distinctive clothing worn by members of the same organization or body, such as the Armed Forces (*Esp*) *uniforme*. **dress ~** (*Esp*) *uniforme de gala*. **fatigue ~** (*Esp*) *uniforme de instrucción*. **service ~** (*Esp*) *uniforme de diario*. **utility ~** (*AmE*) in the military, another

name for the **combat uniform** (*Esp*) *uniforme de campaña* ► APPENDIX B. ► also **dress**
 ► also **service** ► also **combat**

unimproved road *n* ► **road**

uninhabited *adj* an area of land, house, village, etc. where nobody is living (*Esp*) *deshabitado, des poblado*

union jack *n* also **union flag**. National flag of the United Kingdom (*Esp*) *bandera del Reino Unido*

unit *n* **(a)** any military element whose structure is prescribed by competent authority, such as a table of organization and equipment; specifically, part of an organization (*Esp*) *unidad* **(b)** an organization title of a subdivision of a group in a task force (*Esp*) *unidad* **(c)** also **unit of issue**. A standard or basic quantity into which an item of supply is divided, issued, or used (*Esp*) *unidad* **(d)** With regard to reserve components of the Armed Forces, denotes a Selected Reserve unit organized, equipped, and trained for mobilization to serve on active duty as a unit or to augment or be augmented by another unit. Headquarters and support functions without wartime missions are not considered units. (*Esp*) *unidad*

unit journal *n* (*AmE*) also **daily occurrence book, logbook**. A logbook kept by a unit including all relevant events in chronological order (*Esp*) *diario de operaciones*

Universal Time *n* ► **Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)**

unlimber *vt* to disconnect a trailer mounted artillery piece (*Esp*) *desenganchar (una pieza de artillería)* ► also **limber**

unload *vt* remove goods from a vehicle, ship, container, etc. (*Esp*) *descargar*. ~ **the ammunition**. (*Esp*) *Descarga la munición*.

unlocking *n* the step in the cycle of operation of a rifle or other light weapon in which the bolt is freed to withdraw after firing (*Esp*) *desacerojamiento*

unmanned or unpiloted aerial vehicle *n* ► **UAV**

UNMO *abbr* United Nations Military Observer (*Esp*) *Observador Militar de Naciones Unidas*

unobserved fire *n* fire for which the point of impact or burst cannot be seen by the observer, therefore inhibiting control and adjustment on the basis of observation (*Esp*) *fuego no observado*. ► also **observed fire**

UNPROFOR *abbr* United Nations Protection Force (*Esp*) *fuerza de protección de Naciones Unidas*

upgrade *n* the act of modifying to incorporate new improvements, especially to military hardware or computer software (*Esp*) *actualización, mejora*

upgrade *vt* to modify to incorporate new improvements in design (*Esp*) *actualizar, mejorar*

uphill grade *n* (*AmE*) a road or track going upwards in the direction of movement (*Esp*) *nivelación cuesta arriba*

uprange *adv* in the direction away from the target or unexploded bomb, which is the opposite of **downrange** (*Esp*) *lejos del blanco*

upstream **(a)** *adj* situated in the opposite direction from that in which a stream or river flows (*Esp*) *rio arriba, aguas arriba*. **The guerilla couldn't find them due to the platoon's ~ position.** **(b)** *adv* moving in the direction in which a stream or river flows (*Esp*) *rio abajo, aguas abajo*. **All the troops moved ~.** (*Esp*) *Toda la tropa se trasladó aguas arriba*.

USAR *abbr* (*AmE*) United States Army Reserve

USMA *abbr* (*AmE*) United States Military Academy [*Westpoint*]

USMC *abbr* (*AmE*) United States Marine Corps

UTC *abbr* ► **Coordinated Universal Time**

UXO *abbr* **unexploded ordnance**, also **dud**, explosive munition which has not been armed as intended or which has failed to explode after being armed (*Esp*) *munición sin explosionar, munición fallida*. ~ **technician** (*Esp*) *desminador* ► also **sapper**

V

V *abbr* ► **volt**

valley *n* a low area of land between hills or mountains, typically with a river or stream following it (Esp) *valle*

VBIED *abbr* /'vi:bid/ **vehicle-borne improvised explosive device**, also **vehicle-based IED**, commonly known as a **car bomb**, which can be detonated either by **remote control** or by the driver (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo, coche bomba*. **suicide VBIED (SVBIED)** (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo y activado por el conductor*. ►also **improvised explosive device**

VCP *abbr* **vehicle check point**. ►**check point**

vehicle-borne improvised explosive device (VBIED) *n* (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo, coche bomba* ►**VBIED**

vehicle-mounted mine detector (VMMD) *n* a mine detecting device that is fitted to a vehicle (Esp) *detector de minas sobre vehículo*

velocity *n* speed (Esp) *velocidad*. **high** ~ (Esp) *alta velocidad*. **low** ~ (Esp) *baja velocidad*

verify *vi vt* [proword] used to ask the originator of a radio message to check and confirm previous information or instructions (Esp) *verifique*

vertical assault *n* an assault using aircraft to deliver assault forces at or near the objective (Esp) *asalto aéreo*

vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) *adj* of any aircraft that can take off, hover and land vertically (Esp) *de despegue y aterrizaje vertical*

VEWPRIK *abbr* A mnemonic used to determine the amount of force necessary to protect lives and accomplish a particular mission, when time and circumstances permit: **V**erbal warning, **E**xhibit weapon, **W**arning shot, **P**epper spray (fire an indirect burst), **R**ifle buttstroke (hit with butt), **I**njure with bayonet, **K**ill with fire.

vicinity (vic) *n* [frml] the adjacent area surrounding a point (Esp) *alrededores*. **in the ~ of the Air Base** (Esp) *en los alrededores de la base aérea*

victim operated improvised explosive device (VOIED) *n* (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado activado por la víctima* ►**VOIED**

victory *n* the act of defeating the enemy and winning a conflict (Esp) *victoria*

VIP *abbr* very important person (Esp) *VIP*

visor *n* (a) the projecting front piece of a cap ►also **peak (b)** a movable part of a helmet that can be pulled down to cover the face (Esp) *visera*

vital *adj* absolutely necessary, essential (Esp) *vital, imprescindible*. ~ **ground** *n* ground of such importance that it must be retained or controlled for the success of the mission (Esp) *terreno vital* ►also **key terrain**. ~ **signs (vitals)** *n* breathing and/or a heartbeat, which are indications that a severely injured or ill person is alive (Esp) *signos vitales (de vida)*. ~ **signs absent (VSA)**, i.e. dead (Esp) *signos vitales (de vida) ausentes, muerto*

VMMD *abbr* **vehicle-mounted mine detector** (Esp) *detector de minas sobre vehículo*

voice templates *n* standardized pre-formatted messages used with the message text procedures (Esp) *formatos de mensaje de voz*

VOIED *abbr* a **victim operated improvised explosive device** is a kind of **booby trap** that is activated by movement, such as a **tripwire** or by picking up an apparently harmless object (Esp) *artefacto explosivo improvisado activado por la víctima*. ►also **improvised explosive device (IED)**

volley *n* a method of firing in which simultaneous or nearly simultaneous firing is to be achieved (Esp) *descarga de fusilaría, andanada*

volt (V) *n* e.g. 240V. The standard unit of electric potential difference, commonly called **voltage**, where $V = W / A$ (Esp) *voltio (V)*

voltage *n* (Esp) *voltaje, tensión eléctrica*. **high** ~ (HV) e.g. 3000V (Esp) *alta tensión (AT)*. **low** ~ (LV) e.g. 24V (Esp) *baja tensión (BT)*. ►**volt**

VSA *abbr* ►**vital signs absent**

VTOL *abbr* **vertical take-off and landing**, any aircraft that can take off, hover and land vertically (Esp) *de despegue y aterrizaje vertical*

W

W abbr ► **watt**

waiting area *n* A location adjacent to the route or axis which may be used for the concealment of vehicles, troops and equipment while an element is waiting to resume movement. Formally called buffer area, cushion area, dispersal area, holding area or staging area. (Esp) *zona de espera*

walkie-talkie *n* a hand-held **two-way radio**, which incorporates a push-to-talk button (Esp) *walkie talkie*

war *n* a situation of organised, armed conflict between nations (Esp) *guerra*. **act of ~** (Esp) *acto de guerra*. **law of ~**, also **law of armed conflict** (Esp) *ley de la guerra*. **The Vietnam ~** (Esp) *La guerra de Vietnam*. **War broke out in the Middle East.** (Esp) *Estalló la guerra en Oriente Medio*. ► also **WW1** ► also **WW2**

warfare *n* the activities involved in war or conflict (Esp) *guerra, combate*. **guerrilla ~** (Esp) *guerra de guerrillas*. **electronic ~** (Esp) *guerra electrónica*. **NBC ~** (Esp) *guerra NBQ*. **mountain ~** (Esp) *combate en montaña*

warhead *n* explosive head of a missile or other projectile (Esp) *cabeza de guerra*

warning *n* a verbal or automated indication of a problem or potential danger (Esp) *advertencia, aviso*. **~ sign** (Esp) *señal de peligro*. **oil ~ light** (Esp) *luz indicadora del aceite*

warning order (WARNO) *n* (a) a preliminary notice of an order or action which is to follow (b) a crisis action planning directive issued by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that initiates the development and evaluation of courses of action by a supported commander and requests that a commander's estimate be submitted (c) a planning directive that describes the situation, allocates forces and resources, establishes command relationships, provides other initial planning guidance, and initiates subordinate unit mission planning (Esp) *orden preparatoria*

warrant officer *n* rank of officer in the Army, marine corps, US Navy and RAF below the commissioned officers and above the NCOs. The ranks of warrant officer are not equivalent in every service and country. So, British Army warrant officers are equivalent to some ranks of US Army senior NCOs, while US Army warrant officers are a fully separated group of ranks between commissioned and non commissioned officers, who perform specialist's tasks and have no equivalent in most countries. (Esp) *El término warrant officer no tiene traducción al español, puede dejarse en inglés en cursiva o traducirse por oficial asimilado. En el caso del Ejército Británico puede traducirse, según el caso, por su empleo español equivalente: Brigada (WO2) o subteniente o suboficial mayor (WO1). En el caso americano, no tiene equivalente en España*. ► APPENDIX A

water bottle *n* (BrE) **canteen** (AmE) a small water container, as used by soldiers or campers (Esp) *cantimplora*

waterproof *adj* being able to withstand exposure to wet weather, impervious to water (Esp) *resistente al agua, impermeable*

waterproof *n* (BrE) a garment, especially a jacket or coat, that keeps out water (Esp) *impermeable, chubasquero*

watt (W) *n* e.g. a 20-W light bulb. The standard unit of rate of energy conversion, defined as one joule of energy per second. In terms of electricity, $W = V \times A$ (Esp) *vatio (W)*. **kilo~ (kW)** (Esp) *kilovatio (kW)*

wave *n* (a) A formation of forces, landing ships, craft, amphibious vehicles or aircraft required to beach or land about the same time. Can be classified as to type, function, or order as shown: (1) **assault** ~ (2) **boat** ~ (3) **helicopter** ~ (4) **numbered** ~ (5) **on-call** ~ (6) **scheduled** ~ (Esp) *oleada* (b) the cyclic disturbance of particles such as an undulating motion in water, sound or radio signals (Esp) *onda*. **~ propagation** the transmission of RF energy through space (Esp) *propagación de onda*

waveform *n* the shape of a wave while travelling through the air (Esp) *forma de onda*. ► **wave**

wavelength *n* the distance a wave travels during one complete cycle, which is equal to the velocity divided by the frequency (Esp) *longitud de onda*

weapon (wɜːn) *n* anything designed or used to inflict bodily harm or physical damage (*Esp*) *arma, armamento*. ~ **emplacement** (*Esp*) *emplazamiento*. ~ **system** (*Esp*) *armamento, sistema de armas*. **atomic** ~ (*Esp*) *arma atómica*. **automatic** ~ (*Esp*) *arma automática*. **biological** ~ (*Esp*) *arma biológica*. **chemical** ~ (*Esp*) *arma química*. **hand** ~ pistol (*Esp*) *arma corta*. **man portable** ~ (*Esp*) *arma individual*. **primary** ~ (*Esp*) *arma principal*. **shoulder** ~ any weapon fired from the shoulder, such as assault rifles and machine guns (*Esp*) ≈ *arma larga*. **support** ~ (*Esp*) *arma de apoyo*. **small weapons, small arms** [*plural*] the class of weapons that includes pistols, assault rifles and grenade launchers (*Esp*) ≈ *armas ligeras*

weapons of mass destruction (WMD) *n* In arms control usage, weapons that are capable of a high order of destruction and/or of being used in such a manner as to destroy large numbers of people. Can be nuclear, chemical, biological, and radiological weapons, but excludes the means of transporting or propelling the weapon where such means is a separable and divisible part of the weapon. (*Esp*) *armas de destrucción masiva*

wear *n* [*uncount*] damage caused by continuous use over a long period. In a weapon, the removal of metal from the bore surface by gas action and mechanical friction. (*Esp*) *desgaste*

wear *v* [*past wore, pp worn*] **(a)** *vi* to gradually become damaged, thinner or physically weaker after continuous use [*can be followed by a preposition*; ~ **out**, ~ **down**, ~ **away** or ~ **off**] (*Esp*) *desgastarse*. **As the barrel wears (out), the gun becomes more and more inaccurate.** (*Esp*) *A medida que se desgasta el cañón, el arma va perdiendo precisión.* **(b)** *vt* have on one's body or a part of one's body as clothing, decoration, protection, or some other purpose (*Esp*) *llevar puesto, vestir*. [We can wear a jacket, trousers, boots, a cap or a helmet, we can also wear earrings, glasses or a watch. In our dress uniform, we may wear medals or other decorations, course badges, our insignia of rank and branch, etc. In combat uniform we may wear the webbing, a backpack, a belt, etc. We can even wear a pistol if it is in the holster on our belt.] **The soldiers are proud of wearing their uniform.** (*Esp*) *Los soldados se sienten orgullosos de vestir el uniforme.*

web belt *n* (*BrE*) part of the **combat uniform** that is worn around the waist to hold up the combat trousers (*Esp*) *ceñidor [del uniforme de instrucción]* ► also **belt**

web equipment *n* (*BrE*) ► **webbing**

webbing *n* (*BrE*) the system of belts, pouches, and straps worn by soldiers as part of their combat equipment (*Esp*) *correa [de instrucción]*. ► also **harness assembly** ► also **yoke**

West Point Honor Code *n* (*AmE*) "A cadet will not lie, cheat, or steal, nor tolerate those who do" ► **ethics**

westbound *adj* moving or leading towards the west. **a ~ convoy** (*Esp*) *un convoy en dirección oeste*

westerly *adj adv* in a westward position or direction. **They set off in a ~ direction.** (*Esp*) *Partieron hacia el oeste.*

western *adj* relating to the west (*Esp*) *occidental, del oeste*. **The ~ part of the country.** (*Esp*) *La parte occidental del país.*

westernmost *adj* furthest west. **the ~ point** (*Esp*) *el punto más occidental (o más al oeste)*

westward *adj* towards the west. **a ~ direction** (*Esp*) *dirección oeste*

westward(s) *adv* towards the west. **The army is moving ~.** (*Esp*) *El ejército se dirige hacia el oeste.*

wheeled dozer *n* a **bulldozer** on wheels (*Esp*) *empujadora de ruedas*

wheeled vehicle *n* any vehicle which employs wheels for movement (*Esp*) *vehículo de ruedas*

whip antenna *n* a long, thin radio aerial, which is often mounted on vehicles (*Esp*) *antena fleje*

whistle *n* **(a)** instrument which is blown through to produce a clear shrill noise (*Esp*) *silbato, pito*. **He blew his ~ as a signal to advance.** (*Esp*) *Tocó el silbato como señal para avanzar.* **(b)** noise produced by a whistle or by blowing air through your lips (*Esp*) *silbido*

whiteout *n* loss of visibility due to the sun reflecting on snow, a snow storm, or dense fog (*Esp*) *desorientación por nieve o niebla*

WIA *abbr* wounded in action (*Esp*) *herido en combate*. ► **wound** ► also **killed in action** ► also **missing**

width *n* the measurement or extent of something from side to side; the lesser of two or the least of three dimensions of a body (Esp) *anchura*. **The foxhole was 2 metres in ~.**

wig *n* a covering of artificial or real hair worn on the head (Esp) *peluca*

wilco *abbr* [proword] I will comply, ie. used to indicate that a message has been understood and that the requested action will be taken (Esp) *conforme*

win *vi vt* [past+pp **won**] to defeat the enemy you are fighting against (Esp) *ganar*. **The Artillery won the battle.** (Esp) *La artillería ganó la batalla*. **to ~ hearts and minds** to achieve the support of the general public, particularly when referring to an occupying force (Esp) *ganar el apoyo de la población*

winch *n* a pulling or lifting device, consisting of a rope or chain winding around a rotating drum, which is usually turned by a motor (Esp) *cabestrante*

windbreaker *n* (AmE) type of coat, usually short, made specially to keep the wind out (Esp) *anorak, cazadora (tipo bomber)*

wind-chill (factor) *n* the cooling effect of wind on the human body (Esp) *efecto wind chill, sensación térmica (del viento)*

windshield *n* (AmE) **windscreen** (BrE) the glass window at the front of a vehicle that the driver sits behind (Esp) *parabrisas*

wing *n* **(a)** a large flat device that produces lift as it moves through the air (Esp) *ala*. ► also **rotary ~, fixed ~ (b)** [Air Force] A large unit that is subordinate to a **group**, usually consisting of three or four squadrons, although in the US and Canadian air forces they are made up of six or more squadrons. A wing is normally commanded by a Colonel in the USAF and a Wing Commander in the RAF. Air force bases are often organised into wings. Non-flying units of an RAF wing are equivalent to a battalion (Esp) *ala*

winterisation *n* the process of preparing equipment and installations for cold weather (Esp) *preparación para el invierno*

wire *n* metal drawn out into the form of a thin flexible thread (Esp) *alambre*. ~ **entanglement (obstacle)** (Esp) *obstáculo con alambrada o cables*. ~ **fence** (Esp) *alambrada*. ~ **guided missile** (Esp) *misil filodirigido*. ~ **line** (Esp) *línea alámbrica*. ~ **telegraph** (Esp) *teléfono alámbrico*. **barbed ~** (Esp) *alambre de espinas*. ► also **spool**

wireless *adj* operating by radio signals instead of a physical connection by cable (Esp) *inalámbrico*. ~ **doorbell** (Esp) *timbre inalámbrico*. ► also **hard-wired** ► also **cordless**

withdraw *v* [past: **withdrew**, pp: **withdrawn**] **(a)** *vi* (**wdr**) to retreat, to disengage from the enemy, possibly to avoid defeat (Esp) *retirarse* **(b)** *vt* to extract or remove something (Esp) *extraer, hacer retroceder, retirar*

withdrawal *n* **(a)** also ~ **operation**. A planned operation in which a force in contact disengages from an enemy force. A type of retrograde where a force in contact plans to disengage from the enemy and move in a direction away from the enemy. (Esp) *operación de retirada, retirada* **(b)** the extraction or removal of something (Esp) *extracción*

withstand *vt* resist, remain undamaged (Esp) *soportar, resistir, aguantar*. **Gun barrels are designed to ~ extremely high pressures and temperatures.** (Esp) *Los tubos de los cañones están diseñados para soportar temperaturas y presiones extremadamente altas.*

WMD *abbr* ► **weapons of mass destruction**

wood *n* **(a)** also **timber**. The dense fibrous material from trees (Esp) *madera* **(b)** also **woods, woodland**. An area of land, smaller than a forest, that is covered with trees (Esp) *bosque*. **A thick hedge divided the ~ from the field.**

working uniform *n* **(a)** (AmE) **barrack dress** (BrE) (Esp) *uniforme de trabajo* **(b)** (BrE) combat uniform (Esp) *uniforme de instrucción o campaña*

works *n* one of the elements to be considered in a logistic plan (Esp) *obras [mil]*

workshop *n* a room or a building in which goods are manufactured or repaired (Esp) *taller*

wound *n* an injury to the body with a knife, bullet, shrapnel or anything that cuts into the skin (Esp) *herida*. **The ~ was not so serious.** (Esp) *La herida no era tan grave*. **gunshot ~ (GSW)** (Esp) *herida de bala*. **knife ~, stab ~** (Esp) *herida de arma blanca*

wound *vt* to injure the body with a knife, bullet, shrapnel or anything that cuts into the skin (*Esp*) *herir*. **A bullet ricocheted and wounded him in his arm.** (*Esp*) *Un bala rebotó y le hirió en el brazo.* ► also **WIA**

WW1 *abbr* World War I, The First World War, The Great War [28th July 1914 to 11^{am} on 11th November 1918] (*Esp*) *la primera guerra mundial*

WW2 *abbr* World War II, The Second World War [1st September 1939 to 8th May 1945] (*Esp*) *la segunda guerra mundial*

X

x.o. *abbr* executive officer (*Esp*) *ayudante*

x-hairs *abbr* **crosshairs**, also **reticle** (*Esp*) *cruz filar en elementos de puntería.* ► **crosshairs**

Y

yard (yd) *n* a unit of distance equal to 0.9144 metres, or 3 feet (*Esp*) *yarda.* ► also **foot**

yaw *vi* of a ship or airplane, to change direction on the vertical axis by moving the rudder or due to crosswind (*Esp*) *guiñar*

yield *vi* (**a**) to give way (*Esp*) *dar paso* (**b**) to give up (terrain) (*Esp*) *ceder terreno*

yoke *n* (*BrE*) webbing (*Esp*) *correaje, trinchas.* ~ **straps** (*Esp*) *trinchas*

Z

zero *vt* also ~ **in.** the act of setting sights to cause a projectile to accurately strike a target (*Esp*) *regular los elementos de puntería de un arma.* **Our rifles are zeroed-in.**

zero *vt* also **zeroize** (**a**) to adjust the settings of an instrument or machine (*Esp*) *ajustar* (**b**) to destroy the settings of a machine or equipment (*Esp*) *poner a cero*

zip *n* (*BrE*) **zipper** (*AmE*) a device found on garments and bags, which consists of two parallel strips with metal or plastic interlocking teeth (*Esp*) *cremallera*

zone of action *n* A tactical subdivision of a larger area, the responsibility for which is assigned to a tactical unit; generally applied to offensive action. The offensive operational area assigned to a unit or commander that is defined by a forward boundary, rear boundary, lateral boundaries, and a coordinating altitude. (*Esp*) *zona de acción*

zone of fire *n* the area in which an artillery or other support unit is tasked to provide fire support (*Esp*) *zona de objetivos para el apoyo de fuegos*

zone of separation (ZOS) *n* a space controlled by a third-party neutral force that enforces the restrictions specified by international agreement, ceasefire agreement, or a UN mandate (*Esp*) *zona de separación.* ► also **demilitarized zone**

zone reconnaissance *n* A directed effort to obtain detailed information concerning all routes, obstacles (to include chemical or radiological contamination), terrain, and enemy forces within a zone defined by boundaries. A zone reconnaissance normally is assigned when the enemy situation is vague or when information concerning cross-country trafficability is desired. (*Esp*) *reconocimiento de zona*

zulu time *n* also **Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)**, **Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)**, The official time in the Greenwich Meridian time zone, where 9:30 a.m. GMT (9:30 UTC), for example, is written as 0930Z (*Esp*) *hora zulú*

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<i>a determinar</i>	<i>phr</i>	to be determined (TBD)
<i>a discreción [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	at ease, rest (AmE), stand easy (BrE)
<i>a esa hora [proword]</i>	<i>adv phr</i>	at this time (ATT)
<i>a formar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	fall in
<i>a gran escala, completo</i>	<i>adj</i>	full-scale
<i>a granel, al por mayor</i>	<i>adj</i>	bulk [antes de n], in bulk
<i>a la escucha en silencio radio [transmisiones]</i>	<i>n</i>	listening silence
<i>a la mayor brevedad, tan pronto como sea posible</i>	<i>phr</i>	as soon as possible (asap)
<i>a petición</i>	<i>adj</i>	on-call
<i>a sus órdenes mi capitán/alférez/..., no hay novedad</i>	<i>phr</i>	nothing to report, sir/ma'am [sólo para dirigirse a oficiales]
<i>AAA, artillería antiaérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air defense artillery (AmE), air defence artillery (BrE)
<i>abandonado, en desuso</i>	<i>adj</i>	disused
<i>abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	supply
<i>abatir, derribar</i>	<i>vt</i>	shoot down
<i>ablusado</i>	<i>adj</i>	bloused
<i>abolladura</i>	<i>n</i>	dent
<i>abonado</i>	<i>n</i>	subscriber
<i>abono, fertilizante [artefactos]</i>	<i>n</i>	fertilizer
<i>abrelatas</i>	<i>n</i>	tin opener
<i>abrigo, chaquetón</i>	<i>n</i>	coat
<i>abrigo, refugio</i>	<i>n</i>	cover, shelter
<i>abrir una brecha</i>	<i>vt</i>	breach
<i>abscisa en un mapa, coordenada X</i>	<i>n</i>	easting
<i>acantilado, cortado, risco</i>	<i>n</i>	cliff, bluff
<i>accesibilidad o practicabilidad del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain trafficability
<i>acceso</i>	<i>n</i>	approach, avenue of approach
<i>accesorios</i>	<i>n</i>	appurtenances [usu. plural] [frm!]
<i>accidente del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain feature
<i>acción civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civil action
<i>acción de formulación de la política a seguir</i>	<i>n</i>	policymaking
<i>accionador</i>	<i>n</i>	actuator
<i>aceite</i>	<i>n</i>	oil
<i>aceite (de cocinar)</i>	<i>n</i>	cooking oil
<i>aceite (de motor)</i>	<i>n</i>	engine oil, motor oil
<i>acero</i>	<i>n</i>	steel
<i>acerrojamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	locking
<i>acertado, sensato</i>	<i>adj</i>	judicious
<i>achicar</i>	<i>vt</i>	bail out
<i>acimut</i>	<i>n</i>	azimuth

<i>acompañar</i>	<i>vt</i>	escort [<i>frm</i>]
<i>acorazado</i>	<i>adj</i>	armored (armd) (<i>AmE</i>), armoured (<i>BrE</i>), armor-plated (<i>AmE</i>), armour-plated (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>acordonar</i>	<i>vt</i>	cordon off
<i>acortar el tiro</i>	<i>phr</i>	drop [<i>opuesto a add alargar el tiro</i>]
<i>acosar</i>	<i>vt</i>	harass
<i>acotado, tramo, elemento</i>	<i>n</i>	bay
<i>acreditación de seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>acto de entrega de despachos</i>	<i>n</i>	passing out parade
<i>acto de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	act of war
<i>acto de servicio</i>	<i>n</i>	line of duty
<i>actual</i>	<i>adj</i>	current
<i>actualización, mejora</i>	<i>n</i>	upgrade
<i>actualizar, mejorar</i>	<i>vt</i>	upgrade
<i>actuar, hacer efecto</i>	<i>vi</i>	act
<i>acueducto</i>	<i>n</i>	aqueduct
<i>acuerdo de estandarización (de la OTAN), STANAG</i>	<i>n</i>	STANAG
<i>acuerdo sobre el estado legal de las fuerzas</i>	<i>n</i>	status-of-forces agreement (SOFA)
<i>acumulación de fuerzas y medios</i>	<i>n</i>	build-up
<i>acusación privada, denunciante, el que formula el parte</i>	<i>n</i>	accuser
<i>adaptar la unidad a la misión</i>	<i>v</i>	tailor
<i>adaptar, adaptarse</i>	<i>v</i>	adapt
<i>adjuntar, unir</i>	<i>vt</i>	attach
<i>administrativo</i>	<i>adj</i>	administrative
<i>adoptar la posición de firmes, ponerse (en posición de) firmes</i>	<i>phr</i>	stand to attention
<i>adquirir</i>	<i>vt</i>	acquire
<i>adquisición de objetivo</i>	<i>phr</i>	target acquisition
<i>aduanas</i>	<i>n</i>	border police [<i>plural</i>]
<i>aduanas</i>	<i>n</i>	customs [<i>plural</i>]
<i>advertencia, aviso</i>	<i>n</i>	warning
<i>aeródromo de partida</i>	<i>n</i>	departure airfield
<i>aeronave</i>	<i>n</i>	aircraft [<i>singular y plural</i>]
<i>aeronave de ala fija, avión</i>	<i>n</i>	fixed-wing aircraft, aeroplane (<i>BrE</i>), airplane (<i>AmE</i>), plane
<i>aeronave de ala rotativo, helicóptero</i>	<i>n</i>	rotary-wing aircraft, helicopter
<i>aflojar, soltar</i>	<i>v</i>	loosen
<i>afrontar (una situación, responsabilidad)</i>	<i>vi</i>	cope with
<i>afuste, cureña</i>	<i>n</i>	carriage, gun carriage
<i>agarradera</i>	<i>n</i>	hand grip
<i>agente</i>	<i>n</i>	agent
<i>agente biológico</i>	<i>n</i>	biological agent
<i>agente de policía, policía</i>	<i>n</i>	police officer
<i>agente no persistente [NBQ]</i>	<i>n</i>	non-persistent agent
<i>agente químico</i>	<i>n</i>	chemical agent

<i>agente vesicante</i>	<i>n</i>	blistering agent
<i>agregación</i>	<i>n</i>	attachment
<i>agregar</i>	<i>vt</i>	attach
<i>agresivo</i>	<i>adj</i>	aggressive
<i>agresivo persistente [NBQ]</i>	<i>n</i>	persistent agent
<i>agresor, atacante, asaltante</i>	<i>n</i>	attacker
<i>agrietado, rajado</i>	<i>adj</i>	cracked
<i>agrupación táctica</i>	<i>n</i>	task force
<i>agrupación táctica aeroterrestre de fuerzas de marina</i>	<i>n</i>	marine air-ground task force (MAGTF) (AmE)
<i>agua oxigenada</i>	<i>n</i>	hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂)
<i>agua potable</i>	<i>n</i>	drinking water, potable water [frm]
<i>aguas abajo, río abajo</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	downstream
<i>aguja</i>	<i>n</i>	needle, hypodermic needle [medicina]
<i>aguja percutora, percutor</i>	<i>n</i>	firing pin
<i>ahorrar, economizar</i>	<i>vi</i>	economize, economise (BrE)
<i>aire acondicionado</i>	<i>n</i>	air-conditioning
<i>aislante</i>	<i>n</i>	insulator
<i>aislar</i>	<i>vt</i>	isolate
<i>ajustar</i>	<i>vt</i>	zero, zeroize
<i>al abrigo [orden]</i>	<i>phr</i>	take cover
<i>al ataque [orden]</i>	<i>phr</i>	charge
<i>al mando, que manda</i>	<i>adj</i>	commanding
<i>al por mayor, a granel</i>	<i>adj</i>	bulk [antes de n], in bulk
<i>ala</i>	<i>n</i>	wing
<i>ala (de un sombrero)</i>	<i>n</i>	brim
<i>ala delta</i>	<i>n</i>	hang glider
<i>alambrada</i>	<i>n</i>	wire fence
<i>alambrada de espinos</i>	<i>n</i>	barbed wire
<i>alambrada rápida, concertina</i>	<i>n</i>	concertina wire
<i>alambre</i>	<i>n</i>	wire
<i>alambre de espinas</i>	<i>n</i>	barbed wire
<i>alarma de incendios</i>	<i>n</i>	fire alarm
<i>alcalde</i>	<i>n</i>	mayor
<i>alcance (de un arma)</i>	<i>n</i>	range
<i>alcance máximo</i>	<i>n</i>	maximum range
<i>alcance máximo eficaz</i>	<i>n</i>	maximum effective range
<i>alcantarilla, zanja de drenaje [cuneta], tajea</i>	<i>n</i>	culvert
<i>alcanzable</i>	<i>adj</i>	achievable, attainable, reachable
<i>alcanzar, conseguir, lograr</i>	<i>vt</i>	achieve, attain
<i>alcanzar, llegar a</i>	<i>vt</i>	reach
<i>aldea</i>	<i>n</i>	hamlet
<i>alejarse de algo</i>	<i>v</i>	draw away
<i>alerta</i>	<i>n</i>	alert
<i>alerta temprana</i>	<i>n</i>	early warning
<i>alerto</i>	<i>adj</i>	alert
<i>aleta</i>	<i>n</i>	fin
<i>aleta del seguro</i>	<i>n</i>	safety catch, safety lever
<i>alfabeto radiofónico</i>	<i>n</i>	phonetic alphabet, spelling alphabet
<i>alférez</i>	<i>n</i>	second lieutenant (2Lt)

<i>alférez (solo para dirigirse), teniente, teniente de navío</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant (Lt)
<i>algo que levanta el ánimo</i>	<i>phr</i>	morale-booster
<i>aliado</i>	<i>n</i>	ally
<i>alianza</i>	<i>n</i>	alliance
<i>alianza estratégica</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic alliance
<i>alianza formal</i>	<i>n</i>	formal alliance
<i>alias</i>	<i>n</i>	also known as (aka)
<i>alijo</i>	<i>n</i>	cache
<i>alijo de armas, caleta de armas (AmL)</i>	<i>n</i>	arms cache, weapons cache
<i>alimentación</i>	<i>n adj</i>	feeding
<i>alimentar (un arma)</i>	<i>vt</i>	feed
<i>alinearse por la izquierda/derecha</i>	<i>phr</i>	dress left/right
<i>alistarse, entrar en filas</i>	<i>vi</i>	enlist
<i>almacén</i>	<i>n</i>	depot, store(s)
<i>almacén de compensación</i>	<i>n</i>	buffer
<i>almacenaje para municiones</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition stowage
<i>almacenamiento de municiones</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition storage
<i>almacenar</i>	<i>vt</i>	store
<i>almádena, mazo</i>	<i>n</i>	sledgehammer
<i>almenara</i>	<i>n</i>	beacon
<i>almirante</i>	<i>n</i>	admiral
<i>almirante de la flota</i>	<i>n</i>	admiral of the fleet
<i>almohadilla</i>	<i>n</i>	pad
<i>alojamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	allowance for quarters
<i>alojamiento del cargador, ventana de alimentación</i>	<i>n</i>	magazine well
<i>alrededores</i>	<i>n</i>	vicinity [frml]
<i>alta tensión (AT)</i>	<i>n</i>	high voltage (HV)
<i>alta velocidad</i>	<i>n</i>	high velocity
<i>alternativo, otro</i>	<i>adj n</i>	alternative (BrE), alternate (AmE)
<i>alto explosivo, explosivo detonante</i>	<i>n</i>	high explosive
<i>alto o disparo [orden]</i>	<i>phr</i>	stop or I will shoot
<i>altozano, montículo</i>	<i>n</i>	hillock
<i>alza</i>	<i>n</i>	back sight, rear sight
<i>amagar</i>	<i>v</i>	feint
<i>amanecer</i>	<i>n</i>	dawn
<i>ambulancia</i>	<i>n</i>	ambulance
<i>amenaza</i>	<i>n</i>	threat
<i>amenaza de bomba</i>	<i>n</i>	bomb threat
<i>amenazar</i>	<i>vt</i>	threaten
<i>amerizar</i>	<i>vi</i>	land (on water)
<i>ametralladora</i>	<i>n</i>	machine gun (MG)
<i>ametralladora coaxial</i>	<i>n</i>	co-axial machine gun
<i>ametralladora de gran calibre, ametralladora pesada</i>	<i>n</i>	heavy machine gun (HMG)
<i>ametralladora ligera</i>	<i>n</i>	light machine gun (LMG), light support weapon (LSW) (BrE), squad automatic weapon (SAW) (AmE)

<i>ametralladora media</i>	<i>n</i>	medium machine gun
<i>ametralladora mediana</i>	<i>n</i>	medium machine gun (MMG)
<i>ametralladora para usos múltiples</i>	<i>n</i>	general purpose machine gun (GPMG)
<i>amortiguador</i>	<i>n</i>	buffer, shock absorber
<i>amperio</i>	<i>n</i>	amp (A)
<i>amplificador</i>	<i>n</i>	amplifier (amp)
<i>amplitud</i>	<i>n</i>	amplitude
<i>Análisis de la misión, enemigo, terreno, fuerzas y tiempo disponible</i>	<i>n</i>	mission, enemy, terrain, troops, and time available (METT-T)
<i>análisis de objetivos</i>	<i>n</i>	target analysis
<i>ancho de banda</i>	<i>n</i>	bandwidth
<i>anchura</i>	<i>n</i>	width
<i>anchura despejado</i>	<i>n</i>	clear width
<i>anclaje, cuerpo muerto</i>	<i>n</i>	deadman
<i>anfíbio</i>	<i>adj</i>	amphibious
<i>ángulo</i>	<i>n</i>	angle
<i>ángulo (en hombrera)</i>	<i>n</i>	gold bar
<i>ángulo de mira</i>	<i>n</i>	angle of sight
<i>ángulo de pendiente de un embudo</i>	<i>n</i>	crater angle of slope
<i>ángulo de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	angle of fire, angle of gun
<i>anillo, cinta, banda</i>	<i>n</i>	ring, band
<i>ánima</i>	<i>n</i>	bore
<i>ánima lisa</i>	<i>n</i>	smooth bore
<i>ánima rayada, ánima estriada</i>	<i>n</i>	rifled bore
<i>anochecer</i>	<i>n</i>	dusk
<i>anorak acolchado con capucha</i>	<i>n</i>	parka
<i>anorak, cazadora (tipo bomber)</i>	<i>n</i>	windbreaker (AmE)
<i>antena</i>	<i>n</i>	antenna
<i>antena dipolo</i>	<i>n</i>	dipole antenna
<i>antena direccional</i>	<i>n</i>	directional antenna
<i>antena fleje</i>	<i>n</i>	whip antenna
<i>antiaéreo</i>	<i>adj</i>	antiaircraft (AA)
<i>antibalas, blindado</i>	<i>adj</i>	bulletproof
<i>antidesgarro, tejido antidesgarro</i>	<i>adj</i>	ripstop
<i>antidisturbios</i>	<i>adj</i>	antiriot (AmE) anti-riot (BrE)
<i>antiperturbación</i>	<i>n</i>	antijamming (AmE) anti-jamming (BrE)
<i>anzuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	fishhook
<i>apagar el alumbrado [oscurecimiento]</i>	<i>phr</i>	have a blackout
<i>aparato contra interferencia</i>	<i>n</i>	antidisturbance device (AmE) anti-disturbance device (BrE), anti-handling device (AHD), anti-tampering device
<i>aparato de puntería</i>	<i>n</i>	sight
<i>aparato explosivo de baja tecnología</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive device
<i>aparato explosivo improvisado</i>	<i>n</i>	improvised explosive device (IED)
<i>aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto</i>	<i>n</i>	remote-control improvised explosive device (RCIED)
<i>aparato incendiario</i>	<i>n</i>	incendiary device

<i>aparato o estación de radio, transceptor</i>	<i>n</i>	radio set, two-way radio
<i>aparato para retraso del espoletado</i>	<i>n</i>	arming delay device
<i>aparato, dispositivo, artefacto</i>	<i>n</i>	device
<i>aparatos ópticos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	optics
<i>aparejo</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	accouterments (AmE), accoutrements (BrE) [plural] [frm]
<i>apellido</i>	<i>n</i>	family name, surname
<i>apertura de brechas planeado</i>	<i>n</i>	deliberate breaching
<i>apertura de brechas sobre la marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	hasty breaching
<i>apertura, tronera</i>	<i>n</i>	opening
<i>aplicar, solicitar, dirigir</i>	<i>vi</i>	apply
<i>apoyar, sostener</i>	<i>vt</i>	support
<i>apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	support
<i>apoyo aéreo ofensivo</i>	<i>n</i>	offensive air support
<i>apoyo aéreo próximo</i>	<i>n</i>	close air support (CAS)
<i>apoyo al combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat support (CS)
<i>apoyo de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	fire support
<i>apoyo de nación anfitrión</i>	<i>n</i>	host nation support
<i>apoyo de parque</i>	<i>n</i>	depot support
<i>apoyo de un arma</i>	<i>n</i>	rest
<i>apoyo directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct support
<i>apoyo general</i>	<i>n</i>	general support
<i>apoyo logístico</i>	<i>n</i>	combat service support
<i>apoyo logístico mutuo</i>	<i>n</i>	cross servicing
<i>apoyo mutuo</i>	<i>n</i>	mutual support
<i>apoyo por el fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	support by fire
<i>apoyo próximo</i>	<i>n</i>	close support
<i>apretar</i>	<i>vt</i>	tighten
<i>aproximado, estimado</i>	<i>adj</i>	estimated
<i>aproximarse, acercarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	approach
<i>apuntar</i>	<i>vt</i>	point
<i>apuntar (un arma)</i>	<i>vt</i>	aim
<i>apuntar a un objetivo o blanco</i>	<i>v</i>	aim at a target
<i>apunte</i>	<i>n</i>	account
<i>apuñalar</i>	<i>vt</i>	stab
<i>arado de minas, arado levantaminas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine plow (AmE), mine plough (BrE)
<i>arado levantaminas, arado de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine plow (AmE), mine plough (BrE)
<i>arancel, impuesto (a la importación)</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>árbol de transmisión</i>	<i>n</i>	driveshaft
<i>arbusto</i>	<i>n</i>	bush
<i>arcilla</i>	<i>n [uncount]</i>	clay
<i>arco</i>	<i>n</i>	arch
<i>arco de hormigón</i>	<i>n</i>	concrete arch
<i>arco de hormigón reforzado</i>	<i>n</i>	reinforced concrete arch
<i>arder, quemarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	burn
<i>área de defensa</i>	<i>n</i>	defence area (BrE) defense area (AmE)

área de interés	<i>n</i>	area of interest (AOI)
área de la fuerza de cobertura	<i>n</i>	covering force area (CFA)
área de operación	<i>n</i>	AO
área de paso	<i>n</i>	crossing area, crossing zone
área de responsabilidad	<i>n</i>	area of responsibility (AOR)
arena	<i>n</i> [uncount]	sand
arenisca	<i>n</i> [uncount]	sandstone
arma (de fuego)	<i>n</i>	firearm, gun
arma atómica	<i>n</i>	atomic weapon
arma automática	<i>n</i>	automatic weapon
arma automática de pelotón	<i>n</i>	squad automatic weapon (SAW) (AmE)
arma biológica	<i>n</i>	biological weapon
arma contracarro ligera	<i>n</i>	light anti-armour weapon (LAW)
arma corta	<i>n</i>	hand weapon, handgun
arma de ánima lisa	<i>adj n</i>	smoothbore (AmE) smooth-bore (BrE)
arma de apoyo	<i>n</i>	support weapon
arma de defensa de zona	<i>n</i>	area defence weapon (BrE) area defense weapon (AmE)
arma de impedimenta de zona	<i>n</i>	area denial weapon
arma de pequeño calibre	<i>n</i>	small bore weapon
arma de retrocarga	<i>n</i>	breech loaded weapon, breechloader
arma individual	<i>n</i>	man portable weapon
arma larga	<i>n</i>	shoulder weapon
arma nuclear	<i>n</i>	nuclear weapon
arma personal	<i>n</i>	individual weapon (IW) [count]
arma principal	<i>n</i>	primary weapon
arma química	<i>n</i>	chemical weapon
arma semiautomática	<i>n</i>	semiautomatic weapon
arma, armamento	<i>n</i>	weapon (wpn)
arma, cuerpo	<i>n</i> [count]	arm [usu. plural], branch
arma, cuerpo, unidad, sucursal [banco]	<i>n</i>	branch
armada	<i>n</i>	navy
Armada Española	<i>n</i>	Spanish Navy
armado	<i>adj</i>	armed
armado	<i>n</i>	arming
armado, montado	<i>n</i>	cocking
armamento	<i>n</i>	armament
armamento antidisturbios	<i>n</i>	antiriot munitions (AmE) anti-riot munitions (BrE)
armamento individual	<i>n</i>	personal weapon
armamento pesado	<i>n</i>	ordnance [uncount]
armamento principal	<i>n</i>	main armament
armamento, material y equipo pesado	<i>n</i> [uncount]	ordnance
armamento, sistema de armas	<i>n</i>	weapon system
armar	<i>vt</i>	arm
armas de apoyo	<i>n</i>	support weapons
armas de destrucción masiva (ADM)	<i>n</i>	weapons of mass destruction (WMD)
armas ligeras	<i>n</i>	small weapons, small arms [plural]

<i>armería</i>	<i>n</i>	armory (AmE) armoury (BrE)
<i>armero [civil], maestro armero [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	armorer (AmE) armourer (BrE), gunsmith [civil]
<i>armón (de artillería)</i>	<i>n</i>	limber
<i>armonizar, pasar por desapercibido</i>	<i>v</i>	blend (in) with
<i>arrestar, detener</i>	<i>vt</i>	arrest, detain
<i>arresto, detención</i>	<i>n</i>	arrest
<i>arroyo, riachuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	stream, creek (AmE)
<i>arroyuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	brook
<i>arte</i>	<i>n</i>	art
<i>artefacto adosado a una persona</i>	<i>n</i>	person-based improvised explosive device (PBIED)
<i>artefacto adosado a una persona, terrorista suicida</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide improvised explosive device (SIED)
<i>artefacto explosivo improvisado activado por la víctima</i>	<i>n</i>	victim operated improvised explosive device (VOIED)
<i>artefacto explosivo improvisado con cable detonador</i>	<i>n</i>	command wire improvised explosive device (CWIED), hard-wired IED
<i>artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo y activado por el conductor</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide vehicle-borne improvised explosive device (SVBIED)
<i>artefacto explosivo improvisado montado en vehículo, coche bomba</i>	<i>n</i>	vehicle-borne improvised explosive device (VBIED)
<i>artefacto explosivo, bomba</i>	<i>n</i>	bomb
<i>artefacto, dispositivo, aparato</i>	<i>n</i>	device
<i>artículo, partida</i>	<i>n</i>	item
<i>artificios para obstáculos preparados en tiempo de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition for peacetime-prepared obstacles
<i>artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	artillery (arty), arty [informal]
<i>artillería antiaérea (AAA), fuego antiaéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	anti-aircraft artillery (AAA), triple A, air defense artillery (AmE) air defence artillery (BrE), ack-ack [informal]
<i>artillería autopropulsada (ATP)</i>	<i>n</i>	self-propelled artillery
<i>artillería de apoyo en acción de conjunto</i>	<i>n</i>	general support reinforcing artillery
<i>artillería de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	field artillery
<i>artillería en apoyo directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct support artillery
<i>artillero</i>	<i>n</i>	artilleryman, gunner
<i>asa de transporte</i>	<i>n</i>	carrying handle
<i>asaltante, atacante, agresor</i>	<i>n</i>	attacker
<i>asaltar</i>	<i>v</i>	storm
<i>asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault (asslt)
<i>asalto aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	vertical assault
<i>asamblea</i>	<i>n</i>	assembly
<i>ascender a (empleo)</i>	<i>vt</i>	promote
<i>ascenso</i>	<i>n</i>	promotion
<i>asegurar (un edificio)</i>	<i>vt</i>	secure (a building)
<i>asegurar(se), garantizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	ensure

<i>asegurar, atar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fasten
<i>asentamiento principal</i>	<i>n</i>	primary site
<i>asentimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	emplacement
<i>asfalto</i>	<i>n</i>	asphalt, asphalt concrete, tarmac (BrE)
<i>asignación (de personal o de recursos)</i>	<i>n</i>	allotment, allocation
<i>asignación de fondos</i>	<i>n</i>	funding
<i>asignar, repartir, adjudicar</i>	<i>vt</i>	assign, allocate
<i>asistencia humanitaria</i>	<i>n</i>	humanitarian assistance (HA)
<i>asistir (a una reunión, etc.)</i>	<i>vt</i>	attend
<i>asuntos civiles</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	civil affairs
<i>atacante, agresor, asaltante</i>	<i>n</i>	attacker
<i>atacar</i>	<i>v</i>	strike [past+pp struck]
<i>ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	attack, strike
<i>ataque aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air strike
<i>ataque artillero, fuego de artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	bombardment
<i>ataque coordinado</i>	<i>n</i>	coordinated attack
<i>ataque de diversión</i>	<i>n</i>	diversionary attack
<i>ataque de madrugada, incursión de madrugada</i>	<i>n</i>	dawn raid
<i>ataque planeado</i>	<i>n</i>	deliberate attack
<i>ataque sobre la marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	hasty attack
<i>ataque suicida</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide attack
<i>atar, asegurar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fasten
<i>atascado</i>	<i>adj</i>	bogged in, stuck
<i>atascar (el avance)</i>	<i>vt</i>	bog down
<i>atascar, encasquillarse [arma]</i>	<i>vi</i>	jam
<i>atasco, encasquillamiento [arma]</i>	<i>n</i>	jam
<i>atender, prestar atención</i>	<i>vi</i>	pay attention
<i>atterrizar</i>	<i>vi</i>	land
<i>ático, desván, buhardilla</i>	<i>n</i>	attic
<i>ATO (se emplea el mismo término que en inglés)</i>	<i>n</i>	air tasking order (ATO)
<i>atraer</i>	<i>v</i>	lure
<i>atrincheramiento</i>	<i>n</i>	entrenchment
<i>aumento, mejora</i>	<i>n</i>	enhancement
<i>ausente</i>	<i>adj</i>	absent
<i>ausente sin permiso</i>	<i>adj</i>	AWOL
<i>autenticación</i>	<i>n</i>	authentication
<i>autocaravana</i>	<i>n</i>	caravan (AmE) motorhome (BrE)
<i>autonomía (de un vehículo)</i>	<i>n</i>	range
<i>autopista</i>	<i>n</i>	divided highway, dual carriageway, expressway (AmE), freeway (AmE), motorway (BrE)
<i>autopista de seis carriles</i>	<i>n</i>	six-lane highway
<i>autopropulsado</i>	<i>adj</i>	self-propelled
<i>autorización</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>autorizar a alguien a retirarse, despedir</i>	<i>vt</i>	dismiss
<i>avancarga</i>	<i>adj n</i>	muzzle loading
<i>avance</i>	<i>adv n</i>	advance

<i>avanza con prudencia</i>	<i>phr</i>	proceed with caution
<i>avanzar</i>	<i>v</i>	advance
<i>avanzar a gatas</i>	<i>phr</i>	creep [<i>past+pp crept</i>]
<i>avanzar en saltos</i>	<i>phr</i>	advance by bounds
<i>avanzar hasta cubierta</i>	<i>phr</i>	advance to cover
<i>avanzar por escalones</i>	<i>v</i>	advance by echelons
<i>avanzar por saltos</i>	<i>v</i>	advance by bounds
<i>avería, fallo</i>	<i>n</i>	malfunction
<i>averiarse</i>	<i>v vi</i>	break down
<i>aviación del ET, FAMET</i>	<i>n</i>	Army aviation
<i>avión</i>	<i>n</i>	airplane (<i>AmE</i>), aeroplane (<i>BrE</i>), plane , fixed wing aircraft
<i>ayuda humanitaria</i>	<i>n</i>	humanitarian assistance (HA)
<i>ayuda nemotécnica</i>	<i>n adj</i>	mnemonic
<i>ayudante</i>	<i>n</i>	adjutant (Adj.) , x.o.

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<i>baché</i>	<i>n</i>	pothole
<i>baja anticipada</i>	<i>vt</i>	discharge
<i>baja del Ejército</i>	<i>n</i>	drop on request (DOR) (<i>AmE</i>) Discharge As Of Right (DAOR) (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>baja tensión (BT)</i>	<i>adj n</i>	low voltage (LV)
<i>baja velocidad</i>	<i>adj n</i>	low velocity
<i>baja, herido</i>	<i>n</i>	casualty (cas)
<i>bajar en picado</i>	<i>n vi</i>	dive
<i>bajas civiles</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	civilian casualties (CIVCAS)
<i>bala</i>	<i>n</i>	bullet
<i>bala fungible</i>	<i>n</i>	frangible bullet
<i>balancearse</i>	<i>vi</i>	roll
<i>balcón</i>	<i>n</i>	balcony
<i>balística</i>	<i>n</i>	ballistics
<i>baliza</i>	<i>n</i>	beacon
<i>banda de frecuencias</i>	<i>n</i>	band, frequency band
<i>banda lateral [radiofrecuencias]</i>	<i>n</i>	side band
<i>banda, cinta</i>	<i>n</i>	band
<i>banda, fajín</i>	<i>n</i>	sash
<i>bandera</i>	<i>n</i>	flag
<i>bandera / batallón paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne battalion
<i>bandera de parlamento, bandera de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	white flag, flag of truce
<i>bandera de paz, bandera de parlamento</i>	<i>n</i>	white flag, flag of truce
<i>bandera del Reino Unido</i>	<i>n</i>	union flag, union jack [<i>informal</i>]
<i>banderas de señales</i>	<i>n</i>	flag semaphore
<i>baqueta</i>	<i>n</i>	cleaning rod, copper bore brush
<i>barba</i>	<i>n</i>	beard
<i>barba falsa</i>	<i>n</i>	false beard
<i>barbuquejo</i>	<i>n</i>	chin strap
<i>barcaza de desembarco</i>	<i>n</i>	landing craft
<i>barcaza, casco</i>	<i>n</i>	hull
<i>barra</i>	<i>n</i>	bar

<i>barra del muelle recuperador</i>	<i>n</i>	return spring rod
<i>barra, varilla</i>	<i>n</i>	rod
<i>barranco, garganta</i>	<i>n</i>	ravine
<i>barrera</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier, barrage
<i>barrera de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier
<i>barricada</i>	<i>n</i>	barricade
<i>barricada de carretera</i>	<i>n</i>	roadblock (RB)
<i>basarse en, consistir</i>	<i>vt</i>	consist in
<i>base</i>	<i>n</i>	base
<i>base avanzada de helicópteros</i>	<i>n</i>	forward arming and refuelling point (FARP)
<i>base avanzada de operaciones, base de operaciones de vanguardia</i>	<i>n</i>	forward operating base (FOB)
<i>base de apoyo avanzada</i>	<i>n</i>	forward support base (FSB)
<i>base de operaciones de vanguardia, base avanzada de operaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	forward operating base (FOB)
<i>base de patrulla</i>	<i>n</i>	patrol base (PB)
<i>base militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military base, fort (AmE)
<i>basura</i>	<i>n</i>	garbage (AmE) rubbish (BrE)
<i>bata, túnica</i>	<i>n</i>	overall (BrE)
<i>batalla</i>	<i>n</i>	battle
<i>batallón / bandera paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne battalion
<i>batallón de ingenieros</i>	<i>n</i>	engineers battalion
<i>batallón de zapadores anfibios</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious engineer battalion
<i>batallón, grupo (de caballería, artillería o logístico)</i>	<i>n</i>	battalion (bn)
<i>batería (bía.) [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	battery (bty)
<i>batería de coche</i>	<i>n</i>	car battery
<i>batería, pila</i>	<i>n</i>	battery
<i>baya</i>	<i>n</i>	berry
<i>bayoneta</i>	<i>n</i>	bayonet
<i>bengala</i>	<i>n</i>	flare
<i>berma, talud</i>	<i>n</i>	berm
<i>bidón de acero</i>	<i>n</i>	steel drum
<i>bípode</i>	<i>n</i>	bipod
<i>blanco a distancia segura [fuera del alcance de armas enemigas]</i>	<i>n</i>	stand-off target
<i>blindado, antibalas</i>	<i>adj</i>	bulletproof
<i>blindaje compuesto</i>	<i>n</i>	composite armour, Chobham armour
<i>blindaje, coraza</i>	<i>n</i>	armor (AmE) armour (BrE)
<i>blocao, casamata, búnker</i>	<i>n</i>	bunker
<i>bloque, roca grande</i>	<i>n</i>	boulder
<i>bloqueo informativo</i>	<i>n</i>	news blackout
<i>blusa</i>	<i>n</i>	blouse
<i>bobina, rollo</i>	<i>n</i>	reel, spool
<i>boca (de fuego)</i>	<i>n</i>	muzzle
<i>bocacha apagallamas</i>	<i>n</i>	flash suppressor
<i>bocacha de salvas</i>	<i>n</i>	blank firing adapter, blank firing apparatus
<i>boina</i>	<i>n</i>	beret
<i>boina correspondiente a un arma, cuerpo o unidad militar</i>	<i>n</i>	organizational beret (AmE)

<i>boina del uniforme de paseo femenino</i>	<i>n</i>	service beret (AmE)
<i>boina escocesa</i>	<i>n</i>	tam-o'-shanter (BrE)
<i>bola de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	fireball, ball of fire
<i>boletín oficial (equivalente al BOD)</i>	<i>n</i>	officers call (AmE), gazette
<i>bolsa, bolsillo, cartuchera</i>	<i>n</i>	pouch
<i>bolso mariner</i>	<i>n</i>	duffle bag, duffel bag (AmE), seabag
<i>bomba atómica</i>	<i>n</i>	atom bomb, atomic bomb [archaic]
<i>bomba fertilizante</i>	<i>n</i>	fertilizer bomb
<i>bomba guiada</i>	<i>n</i>	guided bomb, guided bomb unit (GBU), smart bomb
<i>bomba guiada por láser</i>	<i>n</i>	laser-guided bomb
<i>bomba radioactiva</i>	<i>n</i>	radiological dispersal device (RDD), dirty bomb
<i>bomba sucia</i>	<i>n</i>	dirty bomb, radiological dispersal device (RDD)
<i>bomba suicida</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide bomber
<i>bomba, artefacto explosivo</i>	<i>n</i>	bomb
<i>bombachos, pantalones remetidos en las botas</i>	<i>n</i>	bloused trousers
<i>bombardear</i>	<i>vt</i>	bomb
<i>bombardeo aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air raid
<i>bombardeo en picado</i>	<i>phr</i>	dive bombing
<i>bombardeo, fuego de aviación</i>	<i>n</i>	bombing
<i>bombardero</i>	<i>n</i>	bomber
<i>bombardero en picado</i>	<i>n</i>	dive bomber
<i>bombilla</i>	<i>n</i>	bulb
<i>bombona de butano</i>	<i>n</i>	butane gas bottle
<i>bombona de propano</i>	<i>n</i>	propane gas bottle
<i>bon/grupo de zapadores acorazado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored engineer squadron (AmE) armoured engineer squadron (BrE)
<i>borde anterior de la zona de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	forward edge of the battle area (FEBA)
<i>borde exterior irregular</i>	<i>n</i>	irregular outer edge
<i>bordillo</i>	<i>n</i>	curb (AmE) kerb (BrE)
<i>borla</i>	<i>n</i>	tassel
<i>borreguillo</i>	<i>n</i>	fleece lining
<i>bosque</i>	<i>n</i>	forest, wood, woods, woodland
<i>botas</i>	<i>n</i>	boots
<i>botas del uniforme de instrucción</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	combat boots
<i>bote (de metralla)</i>	<i>n</i>	canister
<i>bote de humo</i>	<i>n</i>	smoke canister
<i>botella de gas, bombona</i>	<i>n</i>	gas bottle
<i>botiquín de primeros auxilios</i>	<i>n</i>	first-aid kit
<i>botiquín individual de primeros auxilios</i>	<i>n</i>	individual first aid kit (IFAK)
<i>botón</i>	<i>n</i>	button
<i>braga (para el cuello)</i>	<i>n</i>	neck warmer
<i>brazalete</i>	<i>n</i>	arm band (BrE), brassard (AmE)
<i>brazo, pluma</i>	<i>n</i>	boom
<i>brecha en el terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	land gap

<i>brecha, hueco</i>	<i>n</i>	gap
<i>briefing de la misión aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air mission brief (AMB)
<i>brigada [empleo]</i>	<i>n</i>	first sergeant, master sergeant
<i>brigada [unidad]</i>	<i>n</i>	brigade (BDE)
<i>brigada de caballería [unidad]</i>	<i>n</i>	cavalry brigade
<i>brújula</i>	<i>n</i>	compass
<i>bucear (con esnórkel)</i>	<i>vi</i>	snorkel (BrE)
<i>bufanda (tubular que se puede usar como gorro)</i>	<i>n</i>	cap comforter
<i>bufanda, pañuelo de cuello</i>	<i>n</i>	scarf
<i>buhardilla, desván, ático</i>	<i>n</i>	attic
<i>bulldócer, empujadora</i>	<i>n</i>	dozer, bulldozer
<i>búnker, blocao, casamata</i>	<i>n</i>	bunker
<i>buque contraminas, dragaminas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine sweeper
<i>burka, burqa</i>	<i>n</i>	burkha, burqa
<i>búsqueda de canal libre</i>	<i>n</i>	free channel search (FCS)
<i>búsqueda de minas, rastreo de minas, localización de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine sweeping
<i>búsqueda y salvamento</i>	<i>n</i>	search and rescue (SAR)

C

<i>C-4, composición 4</i>	<i>n</i>	C-4, Composition 4
<i>caballería</i>	<i>n adj</i>	cavalry
<i>caballo de frisa</i>	<i>n</i>	knife rest
<i>caballo de potencia</i>	<i>n</i>	horsepower
<i>cabecear</i>	<i>vi</i>	pitch
<i>cabecear hacia abajo</i>	<i>v</i>	pitch down
<i>cabecear hacia arriba</i>	<i>v</i>	pitch up
<i>cabecilla</i>	<i>n</i>	ringleader
<i>cabestrante</i>	<i>n</i>	winch
<i>cabeza de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	warhead, payload
<i>cabeza de guerra en tandem</i>	<i>n</i>	tandem warhead
<i>cabeza de playa</i>	<i>n</i>	beachhead
<i>cabeza de puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridgehead
<i>cabeza de puente aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	airhead
<i>cabeza del cierre</i>	<i>n</i>	bolt head
<i>cabeza tractora [para remolcar remolques]</i>	<i>n</i>	tractor
<i>cable coaxial</i>	<i>n</i>	coaxial cable
<i>cable de tracción</i>	<i>n</i>	tripwire
<i>cable detonador</i>	<i>n</i>	command wire
<i>cable eléctrico</i>	<i>n</i>	cord
<i>cableado</i>	<i>adj</i>	hard-wired
<i>cabo</i>	<i>n</i>	corporal (Cpl)
<i>cabo primero o sargento</i>	<i>n</i>	sergeant (Sgt)
<i>cacillo, gabata</i>	<i>n</i>	mess tin
<i>cadáver</i>	<i>n</i>	corpse
<i>cadena</i>	<i>n</i>	track
<i>cadena de artefactos explosivos improvisados, cadena explosiva</i>	<i>n</i>	daisy chain

<i>cadena de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive chain, explosive train
<i>cadena de mando, línea de mando</i>	<i>n</i>	chain of command, command channel
<i>cadena de montaje</i>	<i>n</i>	assembly line
<i>cadena explosiva, cadena de artefactos explosivos improvisados</i>	<i>n</i>	daisy chain
<i>cadena montañosa, cordillera</i>	<i>n</i>	range, mountain range
<i>cadencia</i>	<i>n</i>	rate
<i>cadencia de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	rank of fire
<i>caja de cartón</i>	<i>n</i>	cardboard box
<i>caja de efectos personales</i>	<i>n</i>	comfort box
<i>caja de madera</i>	<i>n</i>	wooden crate
<i>caja, cajón</i>	<i>n</i>	crate
<i>cajón de los mecanismos [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>n</i>	receiver
<i>cajón, caja</i>	<i>n</i>	crate
<i>cal</i>	<i>n</i>	lime
<i>cala</i>	<i>n</i>	creek (BrE)
<i>calcetín</i>	<i>n</i>	sock
<i>caleta de armas (AmL), alijo de armas</i>	<i>n</i>	arms cache, weapons cache
<i>calibre</i>	<i>n</i>	caliber (AmE), calibre (BrE), bore
<i>caliza</i>	<i>n</i>	chalk
<i>calmarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	calm down
<i>calzada</i>	<i>n</i>	carriageway (BrE)
<i>calzado</i>	<i>n</i> [uncount]	footwear
<i>calzoncillos</i>	<i>n</i> [plural]	pants (BrE), underpants
<i>cámara térmica FLIR</i>	<i>n</i>	forward-looking infrared
<i>cambio [proword]</i>	<i>adj</i>	over
<i>cambio de destino (permanente)</i>	<i>n</i>	PCS (AmE)
<i>camello</i>	<i>n</i>	camel
<i>camino carretero</i>	<i>n</i>	cart track
<i>camino de herradura</i>	<i>n</i>	bridle path, bridleway
<i>camino de tierra, pista</i>	<i>n</i>	dirt road, dirt track
<i>camino, sendero</i>	<i>n</i>	path, track, trail, lane
<i>camión de 4 toneladas</i>	<i>n</i>	4-tonner
<i>camión grúa</i>	<i>n</i>	truck-mounted crane
<i>camión pesado</i>	<i>n</i>	heavy truck
<i>camisa térmica</i>	<i>n</i>	thermal sleeve
<i>camiseta (de manga corta)</i>	<i>n</i>	T-shirt
<i>camisola (de unif. de instrucción)</i>	<i>n</i>	fatigue jacket (AmE), smock (BrE)
<i>camisola (sobre la camisa) [uniforme de instrucción]</i>	<i>n</i>	combat jacket (BrE)
<i>campamento</i>	<i>n</i>	camp, campsite
<i>campamento base</i>	<i>n</i>	base camp
<i>campaña (bélica)</i>	<i>n</i>	campaign
<i>campo a través</i>	<i>n</i>	go across country
<i>campo de batalla</i>	<i>n</i>	battlefield
<i>campo de maniobras</i>	<i>n</i>	proving ground (AmE), training area (BrE)

<i>campo de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	minefield
<i>campo de minas de interdicción</i>	<i>n</i>	nuisance minefield
<i>campo de minas de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	protective minefield
<i>campo de minas mixto</i>	<i>n</i>	mixed minefield
<i>campo de minas simulado / falso</i>	<i>n</i>	phoney minefield
<i>campo de minas táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical minefield
<i>campo de prisioneros de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	prisoner of war camp, POW camp
<i>campo de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	firing range, shooting range, rifle range
<i>campo de visión</i>	<i>n</i>	field of view, field of vision
<i>campo, campo de maniobras</i>	<i>n</i>	field
<i>campo, esfera</i>	<i>n</i>	realm
<i>campo, espacio rural abierto</i>	<i>n</i>	country, countryside
<i>camuflaje digital</i>	<i>n</i>	digital camouflage, MultiCam (AmE)
<i>camuflaje, enmascaramiento</i>	<i>n</i>	camouflage (cam)
<i>canal</i>	<i>n</i>	channel
<i>canal de radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio channel
<i>canalizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	canalize
<i>cancillería, embajada</i>	<i>n</i>	chancery [frm]
<i>candado</i>	<i>n</i>	padlock
<i>canibalizar</i>	<i>v</i>	cannibalize, cannibalise (BrE)
<i>canoa, piragua</i>	<i>n</i>	canoe
<i>cantimplora</i>	<i>n</i>	canteen (AmE) water bottle (BrE)
<i>cantonera</i>	<i>n</i>	buttplate
<i>cañón [artillería]</i>	<i>n</i>	gun, cannon [archaic]
<i>cañón antiaéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	anti-aircraft gun (AAG)
<i>cañón remolcado</i>	<i>n</i>	towed gun
<i>cañón, desfiladero</i>	<i>n</i>	canyon
<i>cañón, tubo (de un arma)</i>	<i>n</i>	barrel
<i>cañonear, ametrallar (desde el aire)</i>	<i>v</i>	strafe
<i>capa [prenda]</i>	<i>n</i>	cape
<i>capacidad</i>	<i>n</i>	capability
<i>capacidad del cargador</i>	<i>n</i>	magazine capacity
<i>capacidad portante (del suelo)</i>	<i>n</i>	bearing capacity, bearing strength
<i>capilla, ermita</i>	<i>n</i>	chapel
<i>capitán de corbeta</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant commander
<i>capitán de fragata</i>	<i>n</i>	commander
<i>capitán general, mariscal de campo, mariscal</i>	<i>n</i>	general of the Army, five-star general, field marshal (BrE)
<i>capitán, capitán de navío</i>	<i>n</i>	captain (Capt)
<i>cápsula iniciadora, estopín</i>	<i>n</i>	cartridge cap, primer
<i>captador térmico de imágenes</i>	<i>n</i>	thermal imagery instrument, thermal image device
<i>capturar</i>	<i>vt</i>	capture, seize
<i>caquí</i>	<i>adj</i>	khaki
<i>carabina</i>	<i>n</i>	carbine
<i>caravana, rulot, tráiler (AmL)</i>	<i>n</i>	caravan (BrE)
<i>carencia</i>	<i>n</i>	shortcoming
<i>carga (de explosivos)</i>	<i>n</i>	charge, explosive charge
<i>carga de bombas</i>	<i>n</i>	chalk, stick

<i>carga de corte</i>	<i>n</i>	cutting charge
<i>carga de excavación</i>	<i>n</i>	cratering charge
<i>carga de proyección</i>	<i>n</i>	propellant, propellant charge, propellant powder
<i>carga distribuida</i>	<i>n</i>	cross loading
<i>carga explosiva</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition charge, destruction charge
<i>carga explosiva improvisada</i>	<i>n</i>	hasty demolition charge
<i>carga hueca, conformada</i>	<i>n adj</i>	hollow charge, shaped charge
<i>carga para apertura de brecha</i>	<i>n</i>	breaching charge
<i>carga útil</i>	<i>n</i>	payload
<i>carga, bienes</i>	<i>n</i>	cargo
<i>carga, peso</i>	<i>n</i>	load
<i>cargador (del carro de combate)</i>	<i>n</i>	loader
<i>cargador (del fusil de asalto)</i>	<i>n</i>	magazine
<i>cargador de petaca</i>	<i>n</i>	box magazine
<i>cargador de reserva</i>	<i>n</i>	spare magazine
<i>cargador, peine (para fusil Mauser)</i>	<i>n</i>	clip, ammunition clip
<i>cargadora de cuchara</i>	<i>n</i>	scoop loader
<i>cargadora frontal</i>	<i>n</i>	bucket loader
<i>cargar</i>	<i>vt</i>	load
<i>cargar (una pila)</i>	<i>vt</i>	charge (a battery)
<i>cargar, meter un cartucho en la recámara</i>	<i>vt</i>	chamber
<i>carguero</i>	<i>n</i>	container ship
<i>carretera</i>	<i>n</i>	road
<i>carretera asfaltada</i>	<i>n</i>	asphalt road, paved road, improved road, tarmac road
<i>carretera de grava</i>	<i>n</i>	gravel road
<i>carretera no asfaltada, pista no asfaltada</i>	<i>n</i>	dirt road, unimproved road
<i>carretera principal</i>	<i>n</i>	main road, trunk road, highway (AmE)
<i>carretera radial</i>	<i>n</i>	arterial road
<i>carretera secundaria</i>	<i>n</i>	back road, secondary road
<i>carretera sin asfaltar</i>	<i>n</i>	unimproved road, dirt road
<i>carretilla elevadora, toro</i>	<i>n</i>	forklift, forklift truck
<i>carril</i>	<i>n</i>	lane
<i>carro con arado</i>	<i>n</i>	plow tank (AmE)
<i>carro con rodillos</i>	<i>n</i>	roller tank
<i>carro con sistema de mayales antiminas, carro para contraminado por golpeo</i>	<i>n</i>	flail tank
<i>carro de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	tank (tk), main battle tank (MBT)
<i>carro de zapadores acorazado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored engineer tank (AmE), armoured engineer tank (BrE), armored vehicle royal engineers (AVRE) (BrE)
<i>carro para contraminado por golpeo, carro con sistema de mayales antiminas</i>	<i>n</i>	flail tank
<i>carta de instrucciones</i>	<i>n</i>	letter of instructions

carta de ratificación, carta de confirmación de instrucción verbal	<i>n</i>	letter of ratification
cartón	<i>n</i>	cardboard
cartuchera	<i>n</i>	ammunition pouch, cartridge pouch
cartucho (de arma ligera)	<i>n</i>	cartridge, round
cartucho / disparo de fogueo, salva	<i>n</i>	blank round
cartucho defectuoso, fallo del disparo	<i>n</i>	misfire
casamata, búnker, blocao	<i>n</i>	bunker
casas militares	<i>n</i>	quarters
casco	<i>n</i>	protective headgear, helmet, hard hat [construcción]
casco de Kevlar	<i>n</i>	Kevlar® [count] [infrm]
cascos azules	<i>n</i>	UN peacekeepers, blue berets
caseta	<i>n</i>	hut
casquillo, vaina	<i>n</i>	brass [uncount] [infrm], cartridge case
causar disturbios, amotinarse	<i>v</i>	riot
cautela, prudencia	<i>n</i>	caution
cauto, prudente	<i>adj</i>	cautious
cebo eléctrico, cebo pirotécnico	<i>n</i>	blasting cap, squib
cebo pirotécnico, cebo eléctrico	<i>n</i>	blasting cap, squib
ceder terreno	<i>phr</i>	yield terrain
cegamiento con fumígenos	<i>n</i>	obscuration smoke
cementerio	<i>n</i>	cemetery
cemento	<i>n</i>	cement
centro	<i>n</i>	centre, station
centro cripto	<i>n</i>	cryptocenter
centro de conmutación	<i>n</i>	switching center, switching station
centro de gravedad [doctrina]	<i>n</i>	centre of gravity
centro de mando operativo	<i>n</i>	operational command centre (OCC)
centro de operaciones tácticas	<i>n</i>	tactical operations center (TOC)
centro de primeros auxilios, puesto de primeros auxilios, puesto de socorro	<i>n</i>	first-aid station, first-aid post (BrE)
centro de transmisiones	<i>n</i>	communications center (COMMCEN) (AmE)
ceñidor	<i>n</i>	stable belt (BrE)
ceñidor [del uniforme de instrucción]	<i>n</i>	web belt (BrE)
cerca de, próximo a	<i>adj</i>	close
cerca, valla	<i>n</i>	fence
cercar	<i>vt</i>	surround
cerco	<i>n</i>	encirclement
cerradura	<i>n</i>	lock
cerrar	<i>vt</i>	seal off
cerrar escotillas en vehículos blindados	<i>vi</i>	button up, close down
cerrar un pasillo en campos de minas	<i>vt</i>	close a minefield lane
cerrilla	<i>n</i>	match

<i>cerrojo, pestillo</i>	<i>n</i>	lock, bolt
<i>certificación, certificado</i>	<i>n</i>	qualification, clearance
<i>césped, tepe</i>	<i>n</i>	turf
<i>chaleco antibalas, chaleco balístico</i>	<i>n</i>	bulletproof vest, flak jacket
<i>chaleco balístico, chaleco antibalas</i>	<i>n</i>	flak jacket, bulletproof vest
<i>chaleco con explosivos</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide vest
<i>chaleco de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat vest
<i>chaleco y casco antifragmentos/antibala</i>	<i>n</i>	body armor (AmE), body armour (BrE) [uncount]
<i>chambergó</i>	<i>n</i>	boonie hat, bush hat, giggle hat (AusE)
<i>chándal</i>	<i>n</i>	sweat suit (AmE), track suit (BrE)
<i>chapa de identificación</i>	<i>n</i>	dog tag (AmE), identity discs (BrE)
<i>chaqueta</i>	<i>n</i>	jacket
<i>chaqueta (de punto)</i>	<i>n</i>	cardigan, cardigan sweater
<i>chaquetón (del uniforme)</i>	<i>n</i>	field jacket, cold weather coat, outer jacket
<i>chaquetón, abrigo</i>	<i>n</i>	coat
<i>charca, alberca</i>	<i>n</i>	pool
<i>chasis</i>	<i>n</i>	chassis
<i>chorro de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	fiery jet
<i>ciber</i>	<i>prefix</i>	cyber-
<i>ciberataque</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberattack
<i>ciberdelito</i>	<i>n</i>	cybercrime
<i>ciberespacio</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberspace
<i>ciberguerra</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberwar
<i>ciberterrorismo, terrorismo electrónico</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberterrorism
<i>ciberterrorista</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberterrorist
<i>ciberunidad militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military cyberunit
<i>ciclo de inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence cycle
<i>ciclo de operación, ciclo de disparos</i>	<i>n</i>	cycle of operation
<i>ciénaga, pantano</i>	<i>n</i>	swamp
<i>cierre (de un arma ligera)</i>	<i>n</i>	bolt
<i>cierre [artillería]</i>	<i>n</i>	breech block
<i>cierre del puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridge closure
<i>cifrar, desmodular</i>	<i>vt</i>	scramble
<i>cima, cota</i>	<i>n</i>	hilltop
<i>cinta de ametralladora</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition belt
<i>cinta, banda</i>	<i>n</i>	band
<i>cinturón</i>	<i>n</i>	belt
<i>cinturón de explosivos</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide belt
<i>cinturón para cartuchos</i>	<i>n</i>	belt
<i>circuito</i>	<i>n</i>	circuit
<i>circuito estabilizador</i>	<i>n</i>	buffer
<i>circuito impreso [poblado con componentes], PCA</i>	<i>n</i>	printed circuit assembly (PCA)
<i>circuito troncal</i>	<i>n</i>	long-haul wire circuit, trunk, trunk circuit
<i>cisterna, depósito de agua</i>	<i>n</i>	cistern
<i>cita</i>	<i>n</i>	appointment
<i>cita [condecoración]</i>	<i>n</i>	citation

<i>ciudad ocupada, ciudad fortificada</i>	<i>n</i>	garrison town
<i>civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civilian, civvy (BrE) [infml]
<i>civil (acción, asunto, etc.)</i>	<i>adj</i>	civil
<i>civil, ciudadano</i>	<i>adj</i>	civilian
<i>clandestino</i>	<i>adj</i>	clandestine
<i>claro</i>	<i>adj</i>	light-coloured
<i>clase</i>	<i>n</i>	class
<i>clases de tropa y suboficiales y marinería</i>	<i>n</i>	enlisted personnel (AmE)
<i>clasificación (de materiales, provisiones, productos, etc.)</i>	<i>n</i>	class
<i>clasificación de itinerarios / rutas / carreteras</i>	<i>n</i>	route classification
<i>coalición</i>	<i>n</i>	coalition
<i>cobardía</i>	<i>n</i>	cowardice
<i>cobertura de radar</i>	<i>n</i>	radar coverage
<i>cobertura, flanqueo</i>	<i>n</i>	screening
<i>coche bomba de señuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	decoy car bomb
<i>cóctel Molotov, bomba molotov</i>	<i>n</i>	Molotov cocktail, petrol bomb (BrE)
<i>código de buenas prácticas de la naturaleza</i>	<i>n</i>	The Country Code (BrE)
<i>código de conducta</i>	<i>n</i>	code of conduct
<i>código de identificación de la unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	unit identification code (UIC) (AmE)
<i>cohetes</i>	<i>n</i>	rocket
<i>colchoneta de aterrizaje</i>	<i>n</i>	landing mat
<i>colina, loma</i>	<i>n</i>	hill
<i>colinas ondulantes</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	rolling hills
<i>collado, puerto (de montaña)</i>	<i>n</i>	saddle
<i>colocar un equipo antiintrusión</i>	<i>phr</i>	emplace an antidisturbance device
<i>colocar un obstáculo</i>	<i>vt</i>	emplace
<i>colocar una mina, tender una mina</i>	<i>v phr</i>	lay a mine
<i>comandante (la Fuerza Aérea británica)</i>	<i>n</i>	squadron leader (BrE)
<i>comandante o jefe (de una unidad militar)</i>	<i>n</i>	commander
<i>comandante, jefe, director</i>	<i>n</i>	commandant
<i>comandante, mayor (en algunos ejércitos hispanoamericanos)</i>	<i>n</i>	major (Maj)
<i>comando, soldado (de operaciones especiales)</i>	<i>n</i>	navy seal (AmE), commando (BrE)
<i>combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat, engagement
<i>combate a pie</i>	<i>phr</i>	fight on foot
<i>combate cuerpo a cuerpo</i>	<i>phr</i>	close-quarters battle (CQB), hand-to-hand combat
<i>combate de encuentro</i>	<i>n</i>	meeting engagement
<i>combate en montaña</i>	<i>n</i>	mountain warfare
<i>combate en población</i>	<i>n</i>	fighting in built-up areas (FIBUA)
<i>combate entre dos aviones de caza</i>	<i>phr</i>	dog fight

<i>combate nocturno</i>	<i>n</i>	night fight
<i>combate próximo</i>	<i>n</i>	close combat
<i>combate, lucha, pelea</i>	<i>n</i>	fight
<i>combatiente</i>	<i>n</i>	combatant
<i>combatir (contra), luchar (contra)</i>	<i>vt</i>	fight (with), fight (against), combat [archaic]
<i>combinación de fuego y movimiento</i>	<i>vi</i>	fire and maneuver
<i>combinar, mezclar</i>	<i>v</i>	blend
<i>combustible</i>	<i>n</i>	fuel
<i>comedor (de un acuartelamiento o base militar)</i>	<i>n</i>	mess, mess hall
<i>cometido, tarea</i>	<i>n</i>	task
<i>comisión aposentadora</i>	<i>n</i>	advance detachment
<i>comisión asesora-investigadora</i>	<i>n</i>	board of inquiry
<i>comisión de servicio</i>	<i>n</i>	temporary duty assignment (TDA)
<i>comisión, tribunal</i>	<i>n</i>	board
<i>compactación</i>	<i>n</i>	compaction
<i>compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	company (coy)
<i>compañía alto, ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	company halt
<i>compañía de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	support company
<i>compañía de fusiles</i>	<i>n</i>	rifle company
<i>compañía de mantenimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	maintenance company
<i>compañía de municionamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition company
<i>compañía de plana mayor, compañía de cuartel general</i>	<i>n</i>	headquarter company (HQ Coy)
<i>compañía de zapadores acorazado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored engineer company (AmE), armoured engineer squadron (BrE)
<i>compartimento o cabina de la tripulación</i>	<i>n</i>	crew compartment
<i>compartimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	stowage bin
<i>complejidad del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain complexity
<i>complejo, recinto</i>	<i>n</i>	compound
<i>completo, a gran escala</i>	<i>adj</i>	full-scale
<i>componente terrestre de una fuerza aeromóvil o aerotransportada</i>	<i>n</i>	land tail
<i>componer</i>	<i>vt</i>	compose
<i>componerse (de)</i>	<i>vt</i>	make up [+ prep of], consist of
<i>componerse de algo, estar compuesto</i>	<i>phr</i>	be composed of something
<i>comportamiento agresivo</i>	<i>n</i>	aggressive behaviour
<i>composición 4, C-4</i>	<i>n</i>	C-4, Composition 4
<i>comunicación</i>	<i>n</i>	communication
<i>comunicación vía satélite</i>	<i>phr</i>	satellite bridge
<i>comunicaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	communications
<i>comunicaciones satélite</i>	<i>n</i>	satellite communications (SATCOM)
<i>comunicaciones tácticas por satélite</i>	<i>phr</i>	tactical satellite communications (TACSATCOM)
<i>comunicaciones vía satélite en movimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	satellite communications on the move (SOTM)

comunicaciones vía satélite rápidas	<i>n</i>	satellite communications at the quick halt (SATH)
con el casco escondido [carros]	<i>adj adv</i>	hull-down
conceder permiso	<i>phr</i>	grant leave
concentración de esfuerzos [doctrina]	<i>n</i>	concentration of effort
concentración de fuerzas	<i>n</i>	marshalling
concepto de la operación	<i>n</i>	concept of operations
concertina, alambrada rápida	<i>n</i>	concertina wire
condecoración	<i>n</i>	decoration
condecoración por méritos de campaña	<i>phr</i>	service medal
condiciones de vida	<i>n</i>	living conditions [plural]
conductor	<i>n</i>	driver (dvr)
conductor eléctrico	<i>n</i>	conductor, electrical conductor
conectividad	<i>n</i>	connectivity
configuración de una aeronave	<i>n</i>	aircraft loading
conflicto	<i>n</i>	conflict
confluencia, empalme, unión	<i>n</i>	junction (junc)
conforme [proword]	<i>adj</i>	wilco
congelación	<i>n</i>	frostbite
conjunto	<i>n</i>	joint
conjunto de obstáculos con bloques basculantes	<i>phr</i>	falling-block obstacle system
conmutación [transmisiones]	<i>n</i>	switching
consecución, logro	<i>n</i>	attainment [uncount], accomplishment
conseguir, alcanzar, lograr, llevar a cabo, realizar, cumplir	<i>vt</i>	achieve, attain, accomplish
consejo de guerra, juzgar en consejo de guerra	<i>n vt</i>	court-martial
consistir, basarse en	<i>vt</i>	consist in
constante, uniforme	<i>adj</i>	uniform
construcción de represa o mota	<i>phr</i>	damming up
contaminación NBQ	<i>n</i>	NBC contamination
contenedor	<i>n</i>	container
contenedor (de embarque)	<i>n</i>	shipping container, isotainer
contener	<i>vt</i>	contain
contener, detener	<i>vt</i>	hold
contingencia	<i>n</i>	contingency
contingente	<i>n</i>	contingent
continuación, seguimiento	<i>n</i>	follow up
contra guerra electrónica con aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto	<i>n phr</i>	counter RCIED electronic warfare (CREW)
contra insurgencia	<i>n</i>	counterinsurgency (COIN)
contra movilidad	<i>adj n</i>	countermobility
contraalmirante	<i>n</i>	rear admiral
contraataque	<i>n</i>	counterattack
contrabatería	<i>adj</i>	counter-battery
contra-contramedidas electrónicas	<i>n [count]</i>	electronic counter countermeasures (ECCM)

<i>contrainformación,</i> <i>contrainteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	counterintelligence (CI)
<i>contrainteligencia,</i> <i>contrainformación</i>	<i>n</i>	counterintelligence (CI)
<i>contramedidas</i>	<i>n</i>	countermeasures
<i>contramedidas electrónicas</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic countermeasures (ECM)
<i>contratar, reclutar</i>	<i>v</i>	recruit
<i>contravigilancia</i>	<i>n</i>	counter-surveillance
<i>control</i>	<i>n</i>	control
<i>control (de carretera), punto de</i> <i>verificación</i>	<i>n</i>	check point (CP), vehicle check point (VCP)
<i>control a distancia, control</i> <i>remoto</i>	<i>n</i>	remote control
<i>control de armas</i>	<i>n</i>	arms control
<i>control de emisiones</i>	<i>n</i>	emission control (EMCON)
<i>control de fronteras</i>	<i>n</i>	border checkpoint, border control
<i>control de movimientos</i>	<i>n</i>	movement control
<i>control operativo</i>	<i>n</i>	operational control (OPCON)
<i>control táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical control (TACON)
<i>construcción de la paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peace building
<i>convergencia de meridianos</i>	<i>n</i>	grid convergence
<i>convergente</i>	<i>adj</i>	converging
<i>convoy</i>	<i>n</i>	convoy
<i>convoy de abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	supply convoy
<i>coordenada X, abscisa en un</i> <i>mapa</i>	<i>n</i>	easting
<i>coordenada Y, ordenada en un</i> <i>mapa</i>	<i>n</i>	northing
<i>coordenadas cartográficas</i>		grid coordinates, grid reference (GRID)
<i>coordenadas polares</i>	<i>n</i>	polar plot
<i>coordinación</i>	<i>n</i>	coordination
<i>coordinado</i>	<i>adj</i>	coordinated
<i>coordinar, evitar conflictos</i>	<i>v</i>	deconflict
<i>coordinatógrafo</i>	<i>n</i>	coordinate scale
<i>coraza Chobham</i>	<i>® n</i>	Chobham, Chobham armor (<i>AmE</i>), Chobham armour (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>coraza reactiva</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive reactive armor (<i>AmE</i>) explosive reactive armour (<i>BrE</i>) (ERA)
<i>coraza, blindaje</i>	<i>n</i>	armor (<i>AmE</i>) armour (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>corbata</i>	<i>n</i>	tie, four-in-hand, four-in-hand necktie
<i>cordillera, cadena montañosa</i>	<i>n</i>	mountain range, range
<i>cordita [tipo de pólvora]</i>	<i>n</i>	cordite
<i>cordón detonante</i>	<i>n</i>	detonation cord
<i>cordón porta objetos: navaja,</i> <i>silbato, etc.</i>	<i>n</i>	lanyard
<i>cordón, cuerda</i>	<i>n</i>	cord
<i>cordones</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	braids
<i>cordones (de zapato)</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	shoe-laces
<i>cordones con clavos</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	aiguillette
<i>cordones de bota</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	boot laces
<i>cordones de repuesto</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	spare laces
<i>cordones, forrajera</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	fourragère (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>corneta</i>	<i>n</i>	bugle

<i>coronel</i>	<i>n</i>	colonel (Col)
<i>coronel del la Fuerza Aérea británica</i>	<i>n</i>	group captain (BrE)
<i>corral</i>	<i>n</i>	stockyard
<i>correa elástica, pulpos</i>	<i>n</i>	bungees [plural], bungee cord
<i>correa, tirante, fiador</i>	<i>n</i>	shoulder strap, strap
<i>correaje (de instrucción)</i>	<i>n</i>	harness assembly (AmE), webbing (BrE)
<i>correaje de instrucción y mochila del tipo del PECO español</i>	<i>n</i>	personal load-carrying equipment (PLCE) (BrE)
<i>correaje, trinchas</i>	<i>n</i>	yoke (BrE)
<i>corredor</i>	<i>n</i>	corridor
<i>corredor aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	flight corridor
<i>corregir el tiro</i>	<i>vt</i>	adjust fire
<i>correr</i>	<i>vi</i>	run [past ran, pp run]
<i>cortado [transmisiones], desconectado</i>	<i>adj</i>	dead
<i>cortado, acantilado</i>	<i>n</i>	cliff
<i>cortafuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	firebreak
<i>cortina de radar</i>	<i>n</i>	radar coverage
<i>costumbres locales, práctica cultural</i>	<i>n</i>	cultural practice
<i>costurero</i>	<i>n</i>	housedall (BrE), housewife
<i>cráter, embudo</i>	<i>n</i>	crater
<i>creación de embudos</i>	<i>n</i>	cratering
<i>crédito de municionamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition credit
<i>creencia</i>	<i>n</i>	belief
<i>creencia religiosa</i>	<i>n</i>	religious belief
<i>cremallera</i>	<i>n</i>	zip (BrE) zipper (AmE)
<i>cresta</i>	<i>n</i>	crest
<i>cresta militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military crest
<i>cresta o divisoria (topográfica)</i>	<i>n</i>	ridge
<i>crimen</i>	<i>n</i>	crime, serious crime
<i>criminal</i>	<i>n</i>	criminal
<i>criterio</i>	<i>n</i>	criterion [plural criteria]
<i>crítico, muy grave</i>	<i>adj</i>	critical
<i>cronometraje</i>	<i>n</i>	timing
<i>croquis del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain sketch
<i>cruce de carreteras</i>	<i>n</i>	road intersection
<i>cruce, intersección</i>	<i>n</i>	intersection
<i>cruce, paso</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing
<i>Cruz del Sur</i>	<i>n</i>	Southern Cross
<i>cruz filar en elementos de puntería</i>	<i>n</i>	crosshairs pl, reticle, x-hairs
<i>cruzar</i>	<i>vt</i>	cross
<i>cruzar un curso de agua</i>	<i>phr</i>	cross waters
<i>cuaderno</i>	<i>n</i>	notebook
<i>cuadrante de servicios</i>	<i>n</i>	duty roster
<i>cuadrícula</i>	<i>n</i>	grid
<i>cuadro (de cadetes)</i>	<i>n</i>	cadre [frm]
<i>cuartel</i>	<i>n</i>	barracks [plural], quarters [plural], garrison
<i>cuartel general de brigada</i>	<i>n</i>	brigade headquarters (BDE HQ)
<i>cuartel general de la policía</i>	<i>n</i>	police headquarters (PHQ)

<i>cuartel general, plana mayor</i>	<i>n</i>	headquarters
<i>cuartel, cuerpo de guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guardhouse
<i>cuartelero [cadete]</i>	<i>n</i>	cadet on dormitory guard duty
<i>cuarto de guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guardroom, guardhouse
<i>cuatro por cuatro, tracción a las cuatro ruedas</i>	<i>n</i>	four by four (4x4)
<i>cubierta (contra el fuego)</i>	<i>n</i>	cover (from fire)
<i>cubierta de vuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	flight deck
<i>cubierta horizontal</i>	<i>n</i>	overhead cover (OHC)
<i>cubiertos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	cutlery, eating irons [infml] (BrE)
<i>cubiertos de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	mess kit
<i>cubrir</i>	<i>v</i>	cover
<i>cuchillo</i>	<i>n</i>	knife
<i>cuello (de la camisa o chaqueta)</i>	<i>n</i>	collar
<i>cuerda, cordón</i>	<i>n</i>	cord
<i>cuero, piel</i>	<i>n</i>	leather [uncount]
<i>cuerpo (de vaina)</i>	<i>n</i>	cartridge case body
<i>cuerpo de ejército</i>	<i>n</i>	army corps
<i>cuerpo de infantería de marina</i>	<i>n</i>	marine corps
<i>cuerpo de sanidad militar</i>	<i>n</i>	medical corps
<i>cuerpo facultativo de sanidad</i>		medical service
<i>cuerpo muerto, anclaje</i>	<i>n</i>	deadman
<i>cuerpo, arma, unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	corps, branch
<i>cueva</i>	<i>n</i>	cave
<i>culata [sólo en cañones de artillería]</i>	<i>n</i>	breech
<i>culata, culatín (de un arma larga)</i>	<i>n</i>	buttstock, stock, butt
<i>culatín plegable</i>	<i>n</i>	folding stock, collapsible stock, folding buttstock, collapsible buttstock
<i>culote (de vaina)</i>	<i>n</i>	cartridge case head
<i>cultura</i>	<i>n</i>	culture
<i>cultura local</i>	<i>n</i>	local culture
<i>cumplimiento, logro, consecución</i>	<i>n</i>	accomplishment
<i>cumplir, lograr, llevar a cabo, realizar, conseguir</i>	<i>vt</i>	accomplish
<i>cuneta, zanja, trinchera</i>	<i>n</i>	ditch
<i>cúpula</i>	<i>n</i>	cupola
<i>cureña, afuste</i>	<i>n</i>	carriage, gun carriage
<i>curso de preparación para una misión</i>	<i>phr</i>	pre-mission training
<i>curso de reciclaje</i>	<i>n</i>	refresher training
<i>curva</i>	<i>n</i>	bend
<i>curva de nivel</i>	<i>n</i>	contour line
<i>curva de nivel complementaria</i>	<i>n</i>	supplementary contour line
<i>curva de nivel intermedia</i>	<i>n</i>	intermediate contour line
<i>curva directora</i>	<i>n</i>	index contour line

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<i>dañado</i>	<i>adj</i>	damaged
<i>daño</i>	<i>n</i>	damage
<i>daño colateral</i>	<i>n</i>	collateral damage
<i>dar de baja a una unidad</i>	<i>vt</i>	disband
<i>dar instrucciones</i>	<i>vt</i>	brief
<i>dar novedades, dar parte, informar</i>	<i>vt</i>	report
<i>dar parte de algo a alguien / informar de algo a alguien</i>	<i>phr</i>	report something to somebody
<i>dar parte de alguien a un superior</i>	<i>phr</i>	report somebody to a superior
<i>dar parte, dar novedades, informar</i>	<i>vt</i>	report
<i>dar paso</i>	<i>vi</i>	yield
<i>dar un golpe de estado</i>	<i>phr</i>	stage a coup/coup d'état
<i>dar una paliza</i>	<i>vt</i>	beat up
<i>dar vueltas</i>	<i>vi</i>	spin
<i>darse cuenta de</i>	<i>vt</i>	notice
<i>datos, información</i>	<i>n</i>	data
<i>de baja tecnología</i>	<i>adj</i>	low-tech
<i>de cadenas</i>	<i>adj</i>	tracked
<i>de carga automática</i>	<i>adj</i>	self-loading
<i>de corto alcance</i>	<i>adj</i>	short range
<i>de despegue y aterrizaje cortos [aviación]</i>	<i>adj</i>	short take-off and landing (STOL)
<i>de despegue y aterrizaje vertical [aviación]</i>	<i>adj</i>	vertical take-off and landing (VTOL)
<i>de guardia</i>	<i>phr</i>	be on guard
<i>de instrucción, falso</i>	<i>adj</i>	dummy
<i>de largo alcance</i>	<i>adj</i>	long range
<i>de mano, portátil</i>	<i>adj</i>	hand-held
<i>de paisano</i>	<i>adj</i>	be in civvies, wear civvies [plural] (BrE) [infml]
<i>de repuesto</i>	<i>adj</i>	spare
<i>deber, obligación</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>deberes, tarea</i>	<i>n</i>	assignment
<i>decepción, engaño</i>	<i>n</i>	deception
<i>decibelio</i>	<i>n</i>	decibel (dB)
<i>decisivo</i>	<i>adj</i>	decisive
<i>declaración oficial</i>	<i>n</i>	official statement
<i>declinación</i>	<i>n</i>	declination
<i>defender</i>	<i>v</i>	defend
<i>defensa</i>	<i>n adj</i>	defence (BrE) defense (AmE)
<i>defensa aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air defence (AmE) air defence (BrE)
<i>defensa aérea pasiva</i>	<i>n</i>	passive air defence
<i>defensa antiaérea</i>	<i>n</i>	defence counter air (DCA)
<i>defensa atómica</i>	<i>n</i>	nuclear defence
<i>defensa de zona [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	area defence n (BrE) area defense (AmE)
<i>defensa en profundidad</i>	<i>n</i>	in-depth defense
<i>defensa móvil [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	mobile defence
<i>defensa por niveles (o altitudes)</i>	<i>n</i>	layered defence
<i>defensiva</i>	<i>adj</i>	defensive
<i>defensiva en profundidad</i>	<i>n</i>	defence in depth (BrE) defense in depth (AmE)

<i>deflagración</i>	<i>n</i>	deflagration
<i>deformar, retorcer</i>	<i>vt</i>	distort
<i>del norte, en dirección norte</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	northerly
<i>del norte, septentrional, norteño</i>	<i>adj</i>	northern
<i>del tamaño</i>	<i>adj</i>	sized
<i>delito</i>	<i>n</i>	minor offence, crime, criminal offence
<i>demonstración [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	demonstration
<i>densidad de un campo de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	minefield density
<i>denunciante, acusación privada, el que formula el parte</i>	<i>n</i>	accuser
<i>depositario de efectos</i>	<i>n</i>	property book officer
<i>depósito</i>	<i>n</i>	dump
<i>depósito de agua</i>	<i>n</i>	water tank
<i>depósito de agua, cisterna</i>	<i>n</i>	cistern
<i>depósito de munición provisional</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition pit
<i>depósito de municiones</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	ammunition deposit
<i>depósito flexible</i>	<i>n</i>	bladder
<i>deposito para almacenamiento de artificios y municiones de barreras de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier ammunition storage building
<i>depósito, tanque</i>	<i>n</i>	tank
<i>depresión, hondonada</i>	<i>n</i>	depression
<i>derecha</i>	<i>adj</i>	right
<i>derecha ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	right face
<i>derribar</i>	<i>vt</i>	break down, shoot down
<i>derrota</i>	<i>n</i>	defeat
<i>derrotar</i>	<i>vt</i>	defeat
<i>desacerrojamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	unlocking
<i>desactivación de artificios</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive ordnance disposal (EOD)
<i>desactivación de explosivos</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive ordnance disposal (EOD)
<i>desactivar (una bomba)</i>	<i>vt</i>	defuse (a bomb)
<i>desaparecido</i>	<i>adj</i>	missing
<i>desaparecido en combate</i>	<i>adj</i>	missing in action (MIA)
<i>desarmar (una mina)</i>	<i>vt</i>	disarm (a mine)
<i>desarrollar una tarea o una operación planeada</i>	<i>vt</i>	carry out
<i>desarrollar, fomentar</i>	<i>vt</i>	develop
<i>desbordar por el flanco</i>	<i>vt</i>	out flank
<i>descabalar, desmontar</i>	<i>vi</i>	dismount [frm]
<i>descansa en paz, requiescat in pace (RIP)</i>	<i>phr</i>	rest in peace (RIP)
<i>descanso ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	stand at ease (BrE) parade rest (AmE)
<i>descanso, ¡descanso, ar!</i>	<i>phr</i>	parade rest (AmE), stand at ease (BrE)
<i>descarga de fusilaría, andanada</i>	<i>n</i>	volley
<i>descarga, fuego en descarga</i>	<i>n</i>	ripple fire
<i>descargado</i>	<i>adj</i>	clear, dead
<i>descargar</i>	<i>vt</i>	unload
<i>descender</i>	<i>vt</i>	descend

<i>desconectado, cortado</i> [transmisiones]	<i>adj</i>	dead
<i>descripción del puesto de trabajo</i>	<i>n</i>	job description
<i>descuento</i>	<i>n</i>	allotment
<i>desembarcar</i>	<i>v</i>	disembark, debark
<i>desembarco</i>	<i>n</i>	debarkation
<i>desenfilada</i>	<i>n vt</i>	defilade
<i>desenfilada de casco</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	hull defilade, hull down (position)
<i>desenfilada de torre</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	turret defilade
<i>desenganchar (una pieza de artillería)</i>	<i>vt</i>	unlimber
<i>desenrollar</i>	<i>vt</i>	spool out
<i>desfilar</i>	<i>vi</i>	march, parade
<i>desfile</i>	<i>n</i>	parade
<i>desfile aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	flyby (AmE), flyover (AmE) flypast (BrE)
<i>desgastarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	wear [past wore, pp worn]
<i>desgaste</i>	<i>n</i> [uncount]	wear
<i>deshabitado, despoblado</i>	<i>adj</i>	uninhabited
<i>desierto</i>	<i>n</i>	desert
<i>designación del espectro de frecuencias</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency spectrum designation
<i>designado, estipulado</i>	<i>adj</i>	designated
<i>desminado, eliminación de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	demining, mine clearance
<i>desminador (zapador)</i>	<i>n</i>	UXO technician, mine sweeper
<i>desminar</i>	<i>vi</i>	clear mines
<i>desmontar (una pistola)</i>	<i>vt</i>	disassemble, strip (a pistol)
<i>desmontar, descabalar</i>	<i>vi</i>	dismount [frm]
<i>desmante</i>	<i>n</i>	cut (AmE), cutting (BrE)
<i>desmoralizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	demoralize
<i>desmovilización</i>	<i>n</i>	demobilization (AmE), demobilisation (BrE)
<i>desorganizar, perturbar, trastornar, interrumpir</i>	<i>vt</i>	disrupt
<i>desorientación por nieve o niebla</i>	<i>n</i>	whiteout
<i>despachar, enviar</i>	<i>vt</i>	dispatch [frm]
<i>despacho, real despacho, nombramiento de oficial</i>	<i>n</i>	commission
<i>despedir, autorizar a alguien a retirarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	dismiss
<i>despegar</i>	<i>v vi</i>	take off
<i>despegar inmediatamente</i>	<i>vi</i>	scramble
<i>despegue inmediato</i>	<i>n</i>	scramble
<i>despejar</i>	<i>vt</i>	clear
<i>despejar un itinerario</i>	<i>phr</i>	clear a route
<i>despejar una zona</i>	<i>phr</i>	clear an area
<i>despeje</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>despeje de un campo de tiro</i>	<i>phr</i>	mask clearance
<i>desplegar</i>	<i>vt</i>	deploy
<i>despliegue (de tropas)</i>	<i>n</i>	deployment, fielding (of troops)
<i>despliegue, formación</i>	<i>n</i>	formation (fmn)

<i>destacamento [unidad]</i>	<i>n</i>	detachment
<i>destacamento, puesto</i>	<i>n</i>	station
<i>destinar</i>	<i>v</i>	station, post
<i>destinatario, receptor</i>	<i>n</i>	addressee
<i>destino (de un tren)</i>	<i>n</i>	destination (of a train)
<i>destino, nombramiento</i>	<i>n</i>	assignment
<i>destornillador</i>	<i>n</i>	screwdriver
<i>destrucción de puente, voladura de puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridge demolition
<i>destrucción mutua asegurada</i>	<i>n</i>	mutual assured destruction (MAD)
<i>destrucción preparada</i>	<i>n</i>	preliminary demolition target
<i>destrucción reservada</i>	<i>n</i>	reserved demolition target
<i>destruir</i>	<i>vt</i>	destroy
<i>desván, buhardilla, ático</i>	<i>n</i>	attic
<i>desvanecimiento de la señal</i>	<i>n</i>	fading
<i>desvelar</i>	<i>vt</i>	unfold
<i>desviar, evitar</i>	<i>vt</i>	bypass
<i>desvío</i>	<i>n</i>	diversion, bypass
<i>detección de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine detection
<i>detección por el sonido</i>	<i>n</i>	aural detection
<i>detector de agentes químicos</i>	<i>n</i>	chemical agent detector
<i>detector de infrarrojo pasivo</i>	<i>n</i>	PIR sensor
<i>detector de luz</i>	<i>n</i>	light sensor
<i>detector de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine detector
<i>detector de minas sobre vehículo</i>	<i>n</i>	vehicle-mounted mine detector (VMMD)
<i>detector de movimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	motion sensor
<i>detener, arrestar</i>	<i>vt</i>	detain, arrest
<i>detener, parar, detenerse, hacer alto</i>	<i>vt</i>	halt
<i>detenido, persona arrestado</i>	<i>n</i>	detainee
<i>detonación</i>	<i>n</i>	detonation
<i>detonación electrónica</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic detonation
<i>detonación por mando a distancia</i>	<i>n</i>	command detonation
<i>detonación por radiofrecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	radio-frequency detonation
<i>detonación remota</i>	<i>n</i>	remote detonation
<i>detonador</i>	<i>n</i>	detonator, fuse, fuze (BrE)
<i>detonador eléctrico</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic detonator
<i>detritus del cráter</i>	<i>n</i>	crater spoil
<i>dextrorsum, en el sentido de las agujas del reloj</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	clockwise
<i>día de abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	day of supply (DOS)
<i>diagrama</i>	<i>n</i>	chart, diagram
<i>diana</i>	<i>n</i>	bull's-eye-target
<i>diana, toque de diana</i>	<i>n</i>	veille [uncount]
<i>diario de operaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	unit journal (AmE), daily occurrence book
<i>diesel, gasóleo</i>	<i>n</i>	diesel
<i>dieta</i>	<i>n</i>	travel allowance
<i>dieta (de dinero), dotación</i>	<i>n</i>	allowance
<i>dificultad imprevisto</i>	<i>phr</i>	unforeseen difficulty
<i>dique</i>	<i>n</i>	levee
<i>diques, represa, motas</i>	<i>n</i>	damming

<i>dirección</i>	<i>n</i>	direction
<i>dirección de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	direction of attack
<i>dirección este</i>	<i>adj</i>	eastbound, easterly
<i>dirección norte, hacia el norte</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	northward
<i>dirección oeste</i>	<i>adj</i>	westward, a westward direction
<i>dirección sur</i>	<i>adj</i>	southward
<i>dirección y coordinación de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	fire direction and coordination
<i>directiva</i>	<i>n</i>	directive
<i>director, jefe, comandante</i>	<i>n</i>	commandant
<i>dirigible</i>	<i>n</i>	airship
<i>dirigir</i>	<i>vt</i>	conduct
<i>dirigir, llevar, encargarse de (un negocio, empresa u otra organización)</i>	<i>vt</i>	run
<i>diseñar</i>	<i>vt</i>	design
<i>diseño bullpup</i>	<i>n</i>	bullpup configuration, bullpup design, bullpup layout
<i>disparador, gatillo</i>	<i>n</i>	trigger
<i>disparar</i>	<i>v</i>	shoot <i>vt [past+pp shot], fire vi</i>
<i>disparar en movimiento</i>	<i>phr</i>	fire on the move
<i>disparar un tiro, pegar un tiro</i>	<i>vt</i>	fire a shot
<i>disparar y largarse</i>	<i>phr</i>	shoot and scoot
<i>disparo (artillería), cartucho (armas ligeras)</i>	<i>n</i>	round
<i>disparo / cartucho de fogeo, salva</i>	<i>n</i>	blank round
<i>disparo [acción]</i>	<i>n</i>	firing
<i>disparo fallido</i>	<i>n</i>	misfire
<i>disparos por minuto</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	rounds per minute
<i>dispersión táctica</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical dispersion
<i>dispersión, separación</i>	<i>n</i>	dispersion
<i>disponibilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	availability
<i>disponibilidad para el combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat readiness
<i>disposición</i>	<i>n</i>	disposition
<i>dispositivo contra guerra electrónica con aparato explosivo improvisado de control remoto</i>	<i>n</i>	CREW device
<i>dispositivo de visión nocturna</i>	<i>n</i>	night vision device (NVD), night observation device (NOD)
<i>dispositivo, artefacto, aparato</i>	<i>n</i>	device
<i>dispositivos de visión nocturna</i>	<i>n</i>	STANO device
<i>distancia</i>	<i>n</i>	distance
<i>distancia al suelo</i>	<i>n</i>	ground clearance
<i>distancia de salto [transmisiones]</i>	<i>n</i>	skip distance
<i>distancia de seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	safe distance
<i>distancia segura [más allá del alcance de las armas enemigas]</i>	<i>n</i>	stand-off distance

<i>distintivo (de arma o regimiento) en la prenda de cabeza</i>	<i>n</i>	cap badge (BrE)
<i>distintivo (de llamada), indicativo</i>	<i>n</i>	call sign
<i>distintivo de arma o cuerpo</i>	<i>n</i>	insignia of branch, branch insignia, corps insignia
<i>distintivo de brigada</i>	<i>n</i>	brigade insignia
<i>distintivo de curso</i>	<i>n</i>	course badge
<i>distintivo de manga</i>	<i>n</i>	shoulder sleeve insignia
<i>distintivo de merito</i>	<i>n</i>	award badge
<i>distintivo de paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	jumpwings [plural], parachutist badge
<i>distintivo, insignia</i>	<i>n</i>	badge
<i>distintivos (de arma o regimiento) en el cuello de la camisa o guerrera</i>	<i>n</i>	collar dogs (BrE), collar badges
<i>distorsión</i>	<i>n</i>	distortion
<i>distorsión de frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency distortion
<i>distracción, diversión</i>	<i>n</i>	diversion
<i>distraer</i>	<i>vt</i>	distract
<i>distribución</i>	<i>n</i>	layout, distribution
<i>distribuir</i>	<i>vt</i>	deliver
<i>disturbio, motín, desorden callejero</i>	<i>n</i>	riot
<i>disuasión</i>	<i>n</i>	deterrence [uncount]
<i>disuasivo</i>	<i>n</i>	deterrent
<i>disuasivo nuclear</i>	<i>n</i>	nuclear deterrent
<i>diversión, distracción</i>	<i>n</i>	diversion
<i>dividir en</i>	<i>vt</i>	divide into
<i>dividir, separarse</i>	<i>vi</i>	split, split up
<i>divisa de los oficiales del ET británico (especie de estrella)</i>	<i>n</i>	bath star, pip (BrE)
<i>divisas (de empleo o graduación militar)</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	badge of rank, insignia of grade (AmE)
<i>división</i>	<i>n</i>	division (div)
<i>doctrina</i>	<i>n</i>	doctrine
<i>doctrinal</i>	<i>adj</i>	doctrinal
<i>dolor</i>	<i>n</i>	ache
<i>dolor de cabeza</i>	<i>n</i>	head ache
<i>dolor de muelas</i>	<i>n</i>	toothache
<i>dormitorio compartido</i>	<i>n</i>	dormitory
<i>dotación [suministros]</i>	<i>n</i>	prescribed load
<i>dotación de unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition in hands of troops
<i>dotar, equipar con</i>	<i>vt</i>	fit with
<i>dragaminas, buque contraminas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine sweeper
<i>dúplex</i>	<i>n</i>	duplex operation

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<i>economato</i>	<i>n</i>	commissary store (AmE)
<i>economía</i>	<i>n</i>	economy

<i>economía [asignatura]</i>	<i>n</i>	economics
<i>economía de medios [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	economy of force
<i>económico</i>	<i>adj</i>	economic
<i>económico, de buen precio (ahorro de dinero)</i>	<i>adj</i>	economical
<i>económico, rentable</i>	<i>adj</i>	cost-effective
<i>economizar, ahorrar</i>	<i>vi</i>	economize, economise (BrE)
<i>edificio seguro</i>	<i>n</i>	secure building
<i>educación física</i>	<i>n</i>	physical education (PE)
<i>efectividad, eficacia</i>	<i>n</i>	effectiveness
<i>efecto de la onda de choque</i>	<i>n</i>	blast shock
<i>efecto wind chill, sensación térmica (del viento)</i>	<i>n</i>	wind-chill (factor)
<i>eficacia, efectividad</i>	<i>n</i>	effectiveness
<i>eficiencia, rendimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	efficiency
<i>eje [línea, gráfico]</i>	<i>n</i>	axis
<i>eje [vehículo]</i>	<i>n</i>	axle
<i>eje delantero</i>	<i>n</i>	front axle
<i>eje trasero</i>	<i>n</i>	rear axle, back axle
<i>ejercicio de campo, maniobra</i>	<i>n</i>	field training exercise (FTX)
<i>ejercicio, maniobra</i>	<i>n</i>	exercise, training exercise
<i>ejercicios de incendio</i>	<i>n</i>	fire drill
<i>ejército</i>	<i>n</i>	army
<i>ejército de reclutas</i>	<i>n</i>	conscript army
<i>Ejército de Tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	the Army
<i>Ejército del Aire</i>	<i>n</i>	the Air Force
<i>Ejército del Aire (de España)</i>	<i>n</i>	the Spanish Air Force (SPAF)
<i>Ejército Nacional de Tierra Afgano</i>	<i>n</i>	Afghan National Army (ANA)
<i>elemento avanzado</i>	<i>n</i>	advance party
<i>elemento de apoyo por el fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	base of fire
<i>elemento de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	guard
<i>elemento de puntería</i>	<i>n</i>	iron sight, mechanical sight
<i>elemento, tramo, acotado</i>	<i>n</i>	bay
<i>elementos para montaje del obstáculo</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	obstacle fittings
<i>eliminación de minas, desminado</i>	<i>n</i>	demining, mine clearance
<i>élite</i>	<i>n</i>	elite [plural]
<i>embajada, cancillería</i>	<i>n</i>	chancery [frm]
<i>embajada, misión permanente</i>	<i>n</i>	embassy, chancery [frm]
<i>embajador</i>	<i>n</i>	ambassador
<i>embajador de Irán</i>	<i>n</i>	Iranian ambassador
<i>embalse, pantano</i>	<i>n</i>	reservoir
<i>embarcación de desembarco</i>	<i>n</i>	landing craft
<i>embarcar</i>	<i>v</i>	embark
<i>embarcar (un avión)</i>	<i>v</i>	emplane, enplane
<i>embarque</i>	<i>n</i>	embarkation
<i>emblema</i>	<i>n</i>	emblem
<i>emboscada</i>	<i>n</i>	ambush
<i>embudo, cráter</i>	<i>n</i>	crater
<i>emisora de radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio station

<i>emisora de televisión</i>	<i>n</i>	TV station
<i>empalme de carreteras</i>	<i>n</i>	road junction
<i>empeñarse en combate, entablar combate</i>	<i>vt</i>	engage (the enemy)
<i>emplazamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	weapon emplacement
<i>emplear un campo de minas</i>	<i>phr</i>	employ a minefield
<i>emplear, usar</i>	<i>vt</i>	employ, use
<i>empleo de alférez o teniente</i>	<i>n</i>	subaltern (BrE)
<i>empleo, graduación o grado (militar)</i>	<i>n</i>	rank
<i>empujadora de ruedas</i>	<i>n</i>	wheeled dozer
<i>empujadora, bulldócer</i>	<i>n</i>	dozer, bulldozer
<i>empuñadura (de un arma)</i>	<i>n</i>	pistol grip
<i>en alerta, en vigilancia, movimiento táctico</i>	<i>adv n</i>	overwatch
<i>en cumplimiento del deber</i>	<i>phr</i>	in pursuance of duty
<i>en desuso, abandonado</i>	<i>adj</i>	disused
<i>en dirección norte</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	northbound
<i>en dirección oeste</i>	<i>adj</i>	westbound
<i>en dirección sur</i>	<i>adj</i>	southbound
<i>en formación</i>	<i>adj</i>	on parade
<i>en grandes cantidades, a granel, al por mayor</i>	<i>adj</i>	in bulk
<i>en guardia</i>	<i>adj</i>	on guard
<i>en lo alto, por encima, elevado [paso], aéreo [cable]</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	overhead
<i>en seguro</i>	<i>adj</i>	made safe, on safe
<i>en servicio activo</i>	<i>phr</i>	be on active duty
<i>en uso, útil, que puede ser obtenido</i>	<i>adj</i>	available
<i>en vuelo</i>	<i>adj</i>	airborne
<i>encendedor</i>	<i>n</i>	igniter
<i>encontrar, encontrarse con</i>	<i>vt</i>	encounter, come across
<i>encriptación</i>	<i>n</i>	scramble
<i>encriptar</i>	<i>vt</i>	encrypt
<i>enemigo</i>	<i>n</i>	foe [poético, literario, frmI]
<i>energía</i>	<i>n</i>	energy, force
<i>enfermería</i>	<i>n</i>	infirmary
<i>enfermería [La Armada]</i>	<i>n</i>	sick bay
<i>enfilada</i>	<i>adj n</i>	enfilade
<i>enfoque, propuesta</i>	<i>n</i>	approach
<i>enganchar (una pieza de artillería)</i>	<i>vt</i>	limber
<i>engañar</i>	<i>vt</i>	deceive
<i>engaño electrónico</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic deception
<i>engaño, decepción</i>	<i>n</i>	deception
<i>enlace</i>	<i>n</i>	liaison
<i>enlazar</i>	<i>vt</i>	link up
<i>enmascaramiento, camuflaje</i>	<i>n</i>	camouflage (cam)
<i>enmascarar</i>	<i>vt</i>	camouflage
<i>ensayar</i>	<i>v</i>	rehearse
<i>ensayo, simulacro</i>	<i>n</i>	dummy run (BrE), trial run, rehearsal

entablar combate, empeñarse en combate	vt	engage
enterrado	adj	buried
enterrar	vt	bury
enterrar municiones	phr	bury munitions
enterrar un artefacto	phr	bury a device
entorno, marco	n	framework
entrada	n	entrance
entrada (datos, material)	n	input
entrada en posición	n	positioning
entrar de servicio	phr	go on duty
entrar en barrena	phr	go into a spin
entrar en filas, alistarse	vi	enlist
entrar en formación, formar	vi	fall in
entregarle a alguien el despacho de oficial, nombrar a alguien oficial	vt	commission [<i>usu passive</i>]
entrenamiento físico	n	physical training (PT)
entretener, hacer la revisión (comprobar niveles)	vt	service
entretenimiento, revisión, mantenimiento preventivo o de primer escalón	n	servicing
enunciado de la misión	n	mission statement
envergadura	n	wing span
enviar, despachar	vt	dispatch [<i>frm</i>]
envolvimiento	n	envelopment
equilibrio	n	stability
equipar, dotar	v	fit with
equipo [personas]	n	team
equipo aerotransportado	n	airborne equipment
equipo de abordó	n	airborne equipment
equipo de comprobación incorporado	n	built-in test equipment (BITE)
equipo de enmascaramiento	n	camouflage equipment
equipo de protección antidisturbios	n	riot gear
equipo de protección, unidad de protección (de una voladura)	n	demolition guard, destruction guard
equipo de radio portátil	n	manpack (radio)
equipo de vigilancia, adquisición de objetivos y observación nocturna	n	surveillance, target acquisition and night observation (STANO)
equipo de voladura, unidad de voladura, pelotón de voladura	n	demolition firing party, destruction firing party
equipo individual de campaña	n	field equipment
equipo levantaminas, vehículo levantaminas	n	armored vehicle launched MICLIC (AVLM)
equipo NBQ	n	NBC kit
equipo NRBQ	n	CBRN kit

<i>equipo, material</i>	<i>n</i>	kit [<i>uncount</i>], pieces of kit [<i>count</i>], gear [<i>uncount</i>], equipment (eqpt) [<i>uncount</i>], accouterments [<i>plural</i>] [<i>frm</i>] (<i>AmE</i>), accoutrements (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>ermita, capilla</i>	<i>n</i>	chapel
<i>escala</i>	<i>n</i>	scale
<i>escala exterior</i>	<i>n</i>	outer scale
<i>escala interior</i>	<i>n</i>	inner scale
<i>escalafón</i>	<i>n</i>	promotion ladder
<i>escalera</i>	<i>n</i>	ladder
<i>escalera de cuerda</i>	<i>n</i>	rope ladder
<i>escalilla</i>	<i>n</i>	active duty list (<i>AmE</i>) roster (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>escalón</i>	<i>n</i>	echelon
<i>escalón de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	support echelon
<i>escalón de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault echelon
<i>escalón de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	attack echelon
<i>escalón de reserva</i>	<i>n</i>	reserve echelon
<i>escalón retrasado</i>	<i>n</i>	rear echelon
<i>escarpado</i>	<i>adj</i>	craggy
<i>escorta</i>	<i>n</i>	escort
<i>escorta (piquete) de la bandera</i>	<i>n</i>	color guard
<i>escortar</i>	<i>vt</i>	escort
<i>escombros, restos</i>	<i>n</i>	debris
<i>escopeta</i>	<i>n</i>	shotgun
<i>escopeta de caza</i>	<i>n</i>	hunting rifle
<i>escotilla</i>	<i>n</i>	hatch
<i>escotilla, ventanilla, tronera</i>	<i>n</i>	port
<i>escuadra</i>	<i>n</i>	team, fireteam
<i>escuadrón [EA]</i>	<i>n</i>	squadron
<i>escuadrón [ET]</i>	<i>n</i>	troop (tp) (<i>AmE</i>), squadron (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>escucha, radioescucha</i>	<i>n</i>	eavesdropping
<i>escudo de armas</i>	<i>n</i>	coat of arms
<i>escudo, barrera</i>	<i>n</i>	shield
<i>escudo, mantelete</i>	<i>n</i>	mantlet
<i>escudo, protección</i>	<i>n</i>	shielding
<i>esfera</i>	<i>n</i>	realm
<i>esnórkel</i>	<i>n</i>	snorkel
<i>espacio (para un vehículo)</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>especialidad fundamental de transmisiones</i>	<i>n</i>	signal corps
<i>Especialista</i>	<i>n</i>	Spec., Specialist (SPC) (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>espectro electromagnético</i>	<i>n</i>	electromagnetic spectrum
<i>espía</i>	<i>n</i>	operative, spy [<i>infml</i>]
<i>espionaje</i>	<i>n</i>	espionage
<i>espoleta</i>	<i>n</i>	fuze, fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoleta a tiempos</i>	<i>n</i>	time fuze, time fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoleta con retardo</i>	<i>n</i>	delay fuze, delay fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoleta de percusión instantánea</i>	<i>n</i>	impact fuze, impact fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoleta de proximidad</i>	<i>n</i>	proximity fuze, proximity fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoletar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fuze, fuse (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>espoletar una mina</i>	<i>v</i>	arm a mine

<i>espolón, saliente</i>	<i>n</i>	spur
<i>esposar</i>	<i>vt</i>	handcuff
<i>esposas</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	handcuffs
<i>espuma de afeitar</i>	<i>n</i>	shaving foam
<i>esquivar (un accidente)</i>	<i>vt</i>	avoid (an accident)
<i>esquivar, desviar un golpe</i>	<i>vt</i>	parry [esgrima]
<i>estabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	stability
<i>estación</i>	<i>n</i>	station
<i>estación de autobuses</i>	<i>n</i>	bus station
<i>estación de trenes</i>	<i>n</i>	railway station
<i>estación directora</i>	<i>n</i>	net control station (NCS)
<i>estación repetidora</i>	<i>n</i>	relay station, relay terminal, booster station
<i>estado de preparación de una fuerza</i>	<i>n</i>	status, readiness
<i>estado mayor conjunto</i>	<i>n</i>	joint staff
<i>estado mayor, plana mayor</i>	<i>n</i>	staff
<i>estallar, explotar</i>	<i>vi vt</i>	explode, blow up
<i>estandarizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	standardize, standardise (BrE)
<i>estanque, foso</i>	<i>n</i>	pond
<i>estar (en posición de) firmes</i>	<i>vi</i>	stand at attention
<i>estar acecho a, ir a la caza de</i>	<i>v</i>	BOLO, be on the lookout for
<i>estar acoplado a, estar unido a</i>	<i>v</i>	be fitted to
	<i>[passive]</i>	
<i>estar acuartelado</i>	<i>adj</i>	be confined to barracks
<i>estar al mando</i>	<i>adj</i>	be in command
<i>estar alerta</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on the alert
<i>estar alertado o de imaginaria (para un servicio)</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on call
<i>estar arrestado, estar detenido</i>	<i>adj</i>	be under arrest
<i>estar compuesto o constituido (por)</i>	<i>v</i>	be made up [+prep of]
	<i>[passive]</i>	
<i>estar compuesto, componerse de algo</i>	<i>v</i>	be composed of something
<i>estar de comisión de servicio</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on temporary duty assignment
<i>estar de guardia, estar de servicio</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on duty
<i>estar de imaginaria (para un servicio), estar alertado</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on call
<i>estar de maniobras</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on manoeuvres
<i>estar de permiso</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on leave
<i>estar de permiso por enfermedad</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on sick leave
<i>estar de servicio, estar de guardia</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on duty
<i>estar destinado en</i>	<i>v</i>	be stationed in / at
	<i>[passive]</i>	
<i>estar destinado en Afganistán</i>	<i>phr</i>	serve in Afghanistan
<i>estar dotado con, estar equipado (de serie) con</i>	<i>v</i>	be fitted with
	<i>[passive]</i>	
<i>estar en estado de alerta</i>	<i>vi</i>	stand by
<i>estar en servicio activo</i>		be on active service
<i>estar encargado de</i>	<i>v</i>	in charge (IC)
	<i>[passive]</i>	

<i>estar equipado (de serie) con,</i> <i>estar dotado con</i>	<i>v</i> <i>[passive]</i>	be fitted with
<i>estar situado</i>	<i>v</i> <i>[passive]</i>	be located
<i>estar unido a, estar acoplado a</i>	<i>v</i> <i>[passive]</i>	be fitted to
<i>esterilla, plancheta</i>	<i>n</i>	sleeping mat
<i>estiba, arrumaje, depósito</i>	<i>n</i>	stowage
<i>estibar, arrumar</i>	<i>vt</i>	stow
<i>estimado, aproximado</i>	<i>adj</i>	estimated
<i>estipulado, designado</i>	<i>adj</i>	designated
<i>estopín, cápsula iniciadora</i>	<i>n</i>	cartridge cap, primer
<i>estrategia</i>	<i>n</i>	strategy
<i>estratégico</i>	<i>adj</i>	strategic
<i>estrella</i>	<i>n</i>	star, pip (BrE), bath star
<i>estrella polar</i>	<i>n</i>	North Star, Pole Star
<i>estrés de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat fatigue, battle fatigue
<i>estriado</i>	<i>adj</i>	grooved
<i>estribaciones</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	foothills
<i>estruendo, pum</i>	<i>n</i>	boom
<i>estudio de viabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	feasibility study
<i>estudio del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain analysis
<i>ética</i>	<i>n</i>	ethics
<i>etiqueta con el nombre</i>	<i>n</i>	name-tag
<i>etiqueta con el nombre (cosida en la ropa)</i>	<i>n</i>	name-tape
<i>étnico</i>	<i>adj</i>	ethnic
<i>evacuación</i>	<i>n</i>	evacuation (evac)
<i>evacuación aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air evacuation
<i>evacuación de bajas en campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	battlefield evacuation
<i>evacuación de heridos</i>	<i>n</i>	CASEVAC
<i>evacuación de material</i>	<i>n</i>	backloading
<i>evacuación médica</i>	<i>n</i>	MEDEVAC
<i>evacuar</i>	<i>vt</i>	evacuate
<i>evaluación</i>	<i>n</i>	assessment
<i>evaluación de daños</i>	<i>n</i>	damage assessment
<i>evaluación del ataque a objetivos</i>	<i>n</i>	target attack assessment
<i>evaluar</i>	<i>vt</i>	assess
<i>evitar</i>	<i>vt</i>	avoid
<i>evitar conflictos, coordinar</i>	<i>v</i>	deconflict
<i>evitar un control</i>	<i>phr</i>	circumvent a checkpoint
<i>evitar, desviar</i>	<i>vt</i>	bypass
<i>excavación</i>	<i>n</i>	excavation
<i>excavadora</i>	<i>n</i>	excavator, digger [infml]
<i>excavadora cargadora</i>	<i>n</i>	excavator-loader
<i>excavar</i>	<i>vi</i>	excavate, dig in [hoyo]
<i>exfiltrar, sacar</i>	<i>n</i>	exfiltrate
<i>explorador</i>	<i>n</i>	scout
<i>explosión</i>	<i>n</i>	burst
<i>explosión en el aire</i>	<i>n</i>	airburst, overhead burst
<i>explosivo</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive

<i>explosivo artesanal</i>	<i>n</i>	home-made explosive (HME)
<i>explosivo bajo, explosivo deflagrante</i>	<i>n</i>	low explosive
<i>explosivo deflagrante, explosivo bajo</i>	<i>n</i>	low explosive
<i>explosivo detonante, alto explosivo</i>	<i>n</i>	high explosive (HE)
<i>explosivo plástico</i>	<i>n</i>	plastic explosive
<i>explosivo rompedor, rompedor</i>	<i>n</i>	high explosive (HE)
<i>explotación</i>	<i>n</i>	exploitation
<i>explotar</i>	<i>vi</i>	burst
<i>explotar, estallar</i>	<i>vi vt</i>	explode, blow up
<i>expulsión de las fuerzas armadas</i>	<i>n</i>	discharge without honor
<i>expulsión, arrojamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	expulsion, ejection
<i>expulsión, despido</i>	<i>n</i>	dismissal
<i>expulsor [armas], palanca expulsora</i>	<i>n</i>	ejector lever
<i>extracción</i>	<i>n</i>	extraction, withdrawal
<i>extracción (exfiltrar)</i>	<i>n</i>	extraction, exfiltration (exfil)
<i>extractor</i>	<i>n</i>	extractor
<i>extractor de gases/humos del ánima</i>	<i>n</i>	fume extractor, bore evacuator
<i>extraer, hacer retroceder, retirar</i>	<i>vt</i>	withdraw [<i>past</i> withdrew, <i>pp</i> withdrawn]
<i>extranjero</i>	<i>n</i>	foreigner
<i>eyección</i>	<i>n</i>	ejection

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<i>fabricante de artefactos</i>	<i>n</i>	bomb maker
<i>facsímil</i>	<i>n</i>	facsimile
<i>factor de planeamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	planning factor
<i>factor de seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	factor of safety, safety factor
<i>faja de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine strip
<i>faldones</i>	<i>n</i>	side skirts
<i>fallo [mecánico, etc.]</i>	<i>n</i>	failure
<i>falsa alarma</i>	<i>n</i>	false alarm
<i>falsificación, imitación</i>	<i>n</i>	fake
<i>falso</i>	<i>adj</i>	fake, false
<i>falso, de instrucción</i>	<i>adj</i>	dummy
<i>FAMET, aviación del ET</i>	<i>n</i>	army aviation
<i>familiar</i>	<i>n</i>	relative
<i>familiar o pariente más cercano</i>	<i>n</i>	next of kin (N of K) [<i>singular y plural</i>]
<i>fascine</i>	<i>n</i>	fascine
<i>fecha de nacimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	date of birth (DOB)
<i>felicitación</i>	<i>n</i>	commendation
<i>fenómeno</i>	<i>n</i>	phenomenon [<i>plural phenomena</i>]
<i>ferrocarril</i>	<i>n</i>	railroad (AmE), railway (BrE)
<i>ferrocarril de ancho normal</i>	<i>n</i>	standard gauge railroad
<i>ferrocarril de doble vía</i>	<i>n</i>	double track railroad
<i>ferrocarril de una sola vía</i>	<i>n</i>	single track railroad

<i>ferrocarril de vía estrecha</i>	<i>n</i>	narrow gauge railroad
<i>fertilizante, abono [artefactos]</i>	<i>n</i>	fertilizer
<i>fiabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	reliability
<i>fiador</i>	<i>n</i>	sear
<i>ficha registro de campo de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	minefield record
<i>fichar (al entrar)</i>	<i>vi</i>	clock in, clock on (BrE)
<i>fichar (al salir)</i>	<i>vi</i>	clock out, clock off (BrE)
<i>fiel</i>	<i>adj</i>	loyal
<i>fijar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fix
<i>fila</i>	<i>n</i>	rank
<i>fila de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine row
<i>fin [proverb]</i>	<i>adj</i>	out
<i>fin de alerta</i>	<i>n</i>	all clear signal
<i>firma (de disparo)</i>	<i>n</i>	signature
<i>firma de un blanco</i>	<i>n</i>	target signature
<i>firma del fogonazo</i>	<i>n</i>	blast signature
<i>firmes ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	stand to attention! [past+pp stood]
<i>firmes, ¡firmes ar!</i>	<i>phr</i>	attention
<i>fisura, grieta</i>	<i>n</i>	crack, fracture
<i>flanco</i>	<i>n</i>	flank
<i>flojo, suelto</i>	<i>adj</i>	loose
<i>flor de lis</i>	<i>n</i>	fleur-de-lis [plural fleurs-de-lis, pronunciación igual]
<i>foco</i>	<i>n</i>	floodlight
<i>FOD, objeto no identificado en pista</i>	<i>n</i>	foreign object debris (FOD)
<i>fogonazo</i>	<i>n</i>	flash, muzzle flash
<i>fomentar, desarrollar</i>	<i>vt</i>	develop
<i>forma de onda</i>	<i>n</i>	waveform
<i>formación básica militar</i>	<i>n</i>	basic training
<i>formación en el puesto de trabajo</i>	<i>phr</i>	on-the-job training (OJT)
<i>formación en orden cerrado</i>	<i>n</i>	close-order formation [archaic]
<i>formación escalonada</i>	<i>n</i>	echelon, echelon formation
<i>formación general militar (FORGEM)</i>	<i>n</i>	basic training
<i>formación, acto militar</i>	<i>n</i>	parade
<i>formación, despliegue</i>	<i>n</i>	formation (fmn)
<i>formar</i>	<i>vi</i>	fall in, parade
<i>formar, entrar en formación</i>	<i>vi</i>	fall in
<i>formatos de mensaje de voz</i>	<i>n</i>	voice templates
<i>forrajera, cordones</i>	<i>n</i>	fourragère (AmE)
<i>forro interior antiesquiras</i>	<i>n</i>	spall liner
<i>forro, forro polar</i>	<i>n</i>	fleece, fleece jacket
<i>fortificación</i>	<i>n</i>	fortification, fortifications
<i>fortificación de compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	field fortification
<i>fortín, nido de ametralladora</i>	<i>n</i>	pillbox
<i>fosa común</i>	<i>n</i>	mass grave
<i>foso contra carro</i>	<i>n</i>	antitank ditch <i>n</i> (AmE) anti-tank ditch (BrE)
<i>fracaso</i>	<i>n</i>	failure
<i>fractura</i>	<i>n</i>	fracture
<i>fragmento</i>	<i>n</i>	fragment,

<i>fragmentos, esquirlas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	spall, scabbing, scab-off
<i>franco</i>	<i>adj</i>	straightforward
<i>francotirador</i>	<i>n</i>	sniper
<i>frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency (freq)
<i>frecuencia crítica</i>	<i>n</i>	critical frequency
<i>frecuencia de audio</i>	<i>n</i>	audio frequency (AF)
<i>frecuencia fija analógica</i>	<i>adj n</i>	analog fixed frequency (AFF) (AmE) analogue fixed frequency (BrE)
<i>frecuencia fija digital</i>	<i>adj n</i>	digital fixed frequency (DFF)
<i>frecuencia portadora</i>	<i>n</i>	carrier frequency
<i>frecuencias guardadas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	guarded frequencies
<i>frecuencias protegidas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	protected frequencies
<i>frecuencias tabú</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	taboo frequencies
<i>freno de boca</i>	<i>n</i>	muzzle brake
<i>frente</i>	<i>n</i>	front, frontage
<i>frontera</i>	<i>n</i>	border, frontier
<i>frontera internacional</i>	<i>n</i>	international border
<i>fuego amigo</i>	<i>n</i>	blue on blue, friendly fire, non-hostile fire
<i>fuego antiaéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	flak, flack
<i>fuego antiaéreo, artillería antiaérea</i>	<i>n</i>	AAA, anti-aircraft artillery, triple A, ack-ack
<i>fuego cruzado</i>	<i>n</i>	crossfire, interlocking fire
<i>fuego de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	supporting fire
<i>fuego de artillería, ataque artillero</i>	<i>n</i>	bombardment
<i>fuego de aviación, bombardeo</i>	<i>n</i>	bombing
<i>fuego de cobertura</i>	<i>n</i>	covering fire
<i>fuego de contrabatería</i>	<i>n</i>	counterfire, counter-battery fire
<i>fuego de enfilada</i>	<i>n</i>	enfilade fire
<i>fuego de hostigamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	harassing fire (HF)
<i>fuego de ocultación</i>	<i>n</i>	screening fire
<i>fuego de preparación</i>	<i>n</i>	preparation fire
<i>fuego de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	covering fire
<i>fuego de supresión</i>	<i>n</i>	suppressive fire
<i>fuego de zona</i>	<i>n</i>	area fire
<i>fuego directo, tiro directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct fire
<i>fuego en descarga, descarga</i>	<i>n</i>	ripple fire
<i>fuego entrante</i>	<i>n</i>	incoming fire, incoming [interj.]
<i>fuego indirecto</i>	<i>n</i>	indirect fire (IDF)
<i>fuego no observado</i>	<i>n</i>	unobserved fire
<i>fuego observado</i>	<i>n</i>	observed fire
<i>fuego planeado</i>	<i>n</i>	prearranged fire
<i>fuego rasante</i>	<i>n</i>	grazing fire
<i>fuego real</i>	<i>n</i>	live-fire
<i>fuego simulado, sin fuego real</i>	<i>n</i>	dry- fire
<i>fuego, incendio</i>	<i>n</i>	fire
<i>fuego, tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	fire
<i>fueloil [gaseoil]</i>	<i>n</i>	fuel oil
<i>fuelle de alimentación</i>	<i>n</i>	power source
<i>fuerte</i>	<i>n</i>	fort, fortress [archaic]
<i>fuerza</i>	<i>n</i>	force
<i>Fuerza Aérea británica</i>	<i>n</i>	Royal Air Force (RAF) (BrE)

<i>fuerza aerotransportadora</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne force
<i>fuerza anfibia</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious force
<i>fuerza comprometida</i>	<i>n</i>	committed force
<i>fuerza conjunta</i>	<i>n</i>	joint force
<i>fuerza de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault force
<i>fuerza de cobertura</i>	<i>n</i>	covering force, screen
<i>fuerza de implementación</i>	<i>n</i>	implementation force (IFOR)
<i>fuerza de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peacekeeping force
<i>fuerza de protección de Naciones Unidas</i>	<i>n</i>	United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR)
<i>fuerza de retardo</i>	<i>n</i>	delaying operation force
<i>fuerza de ruptura</i>	<i>n</i>	rupture force
<i>fuerza enemiga</i>	<i>n</i>	hostile force, threat
<i>fuerza letal</i>	<i>n</i>	deadly force
<i>fuerza operativa conjunta</i>	<i>n</i>	joint task force
<i>fuerza operativa conjunta y combinada</i>	<i>n</i>	combined joint task force (CJTF)
<i>fuerza paramilitar</i>	<i>n</i>	paramilitary force
<i>fuerzas aeromóviles</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	airmobile forces
<i>fuerzas aeromóviles del ET, FAMET</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	army aviation
<i>fuerzas armadas (FAS), los (tres) ejércitos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	armed forces, the services
<i>fuerzas de apoyo a la explotación</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	follow-and-support forces
<i>fuerzas de operaciones especiales</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	special operations forces (SOF)
<i>fuerzas de retaguardia</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	forces in depth
<i>fuerzas de segundo escalón</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	follow-on forces
<i>fuerzas paramilitares</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	paramilitary forces
<i>fuerzas propias</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	friendly forces, blue forces
<i>fuerzas terrestres</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	land forces, ground forces
<i>fuga</i>	<i>n</i>	leak
<i>funcionario, representante oficial</i>	<i>n</i>	official
<i>funciones de combate</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	combat functions
<i>funda (del machete o bayoneta), vaina (del sable), tahalí (para el machete o bayoneta)</i>	<i>n</i>	sheath [plural sheaths], scabbard
<i>funda del casco</i>	<i>n</i>	helmet cover
<i>fundamentos, principios</i>	<i>n</i>	fundamentals [plural]
<i>furtivamente</i>	<i>adj</i>	stealth
<i>fusible</i>	<i>n</i>	fuze, fuse (BrE)
<i>fusil [militar], rifle [deporte, caza]</i>	<i>n</i>	rifle
<i>fusil de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault rifle
<i>fusil de carga automática</i>	<i>n</i>	self-loading rifle (SLR)
<i>fusil de francotirador</i>	<i>n</i>	sniper rifle
<i>fusil lanzagranadas</i>	<i>n</i>	grenade rifle
<i>fusilero</i>	<i>n</i>	rifleman (Rfn)

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gafas protectoras	<i>n</i>	goggles [<i>plural</i>]
galón	<i>n</i>	stripe, (gold) bar, chevron
gama	<i>n</i>	range
ganancia	<i>n</i>	gain
ganar	<i>vi vt</i>	win [<i>past+pp won</i>]
ganar el apoyo de la población	<i>phr</i>	win hearts and minds
garantizar, asegurar(se)	<i>vt</i>	ensure
garita	<i>n</i>	sangar (<i>BrE</i>), sanga
gas licuado de petróleo (GLP)	<i>n</i>	liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)
gases, humo	<i>n</i>	gas, fumes [<i>plural</i>]
gasóleo, diesel	<i>n</i>	diesel
	[<i>uncount</i>]	
gasolina	<i>n</i>	petrol <i>n</i> (<i>BrE</i>) gasoline, gas (<i>AmE</i>)
	[<i>uncount</i>]	
gasolina sin plomo	[<i>uncount</i>]	unleaded petrol
gasolinas, aceites y lubricantes	<i>n</i> [<i>plural</i>]	petrol oil lubricant (POL)
gasto	<i>n</i>	expenditure
gato (mecánico)	<i>n</i>	car jack
generador, grupo electrógeno	<i>n</i>	power generator
general de brigada	<i>n</i>	brigadier (Brig) (<i>BrE</i>) brigadier general (<i>AmE</i>), one-star general
general de división	<i>n</i>	major general, two-star general
general de ejército	<i>n</i>	general (Gen), four-star general
general, oficial general	<i>n</i>	general, general officer
gestión de inventario	<i>n</i>	inventory management
gestión del periodo de descanso entre misiones	<i>n</i>	downtime management
gobierno	<i>n</i>	government [<i>singular o plural</i>]
gollete (de vaina)	<i>n</i>	cartridge case neck
golpe	<i>n</i>	surge
golpe de estado	<i>n</i>	coup d'état [<i>plural coups d'état</i>] [<i>singular y plural</i>], coup
golpe de mano, incursión	<i>n</i>	coup de main [<i>plural coups de main</i>] [<i>singular y plural</i>], raid, hit and run, hit and run attack, gunrun
gorra de plato	<i>n</i>	peak cap (<i>AmE</i>), peaked cap (<i>BrE</i>), forage cap (<i>BrE</i>), service cap, number one dress hat (<i>BrE</i>)
gorra de plato (caqui)	<i>n</i>	service dress hat (SD hat) (<i>BrE</i>)
gorra del uniforme de instrucción	<i>n</i>	combat cap, BDU cap (<i>AmE</i>)
gorra, gorro	<i>n</i>	cap
gorro cuartelero	<i>n</i>	garrison cap
gorro escocés de lana	<i>n</i>	glengarry
grado (sexagesimal)	<i>n</i>	degree
grados centesimales	<i>n</i>	grad, grade
gran sentido del deber	<i>phr</i>	strong sense of duty
granada	<i>n</i>	grenade
granada antidisturbios	<i>n</i>	antiriot grenade (<i>AmE</i>) anti-riot grenade (<i>BrE</i>)
granada de fusil	<i>n</i>	rifle grenade

<i>granada de instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	dummy grenade
<i>granada de mano</i>	<i>n</i>	hand grenade
<i>granada de mortero</i>	<i>n</i>	mortar shell, mortar bomb, bomb
<i>granada propulsada por cohete</i>	<i>n</i>	rocket propelled grenade (RPG)
<i>granja</i>	<i>n</i>	farm
<i>grasa</i>	<i>n</i>	grease
<i>grava, gravilla</i>	<i>n</i>	gravel
<i>grieta, fisura</i>	<i>adj</i>	crack, fracture
<i>grosor</i>	<i>n</i>	thickness
<i>grúa</i>	<i>n</i>	tow truck, breakdown truck
<i>grueso de la fuerza</i>	<i>n</i>	main body
<i>grupo (de caballería, artillería o logístico), batallón</i>	<i>n</i>	battalion (bn)
<i>grupo [EA]</i>	<i>n</i>	group
<i>grupo de abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	supply battalion
<i>grupo de artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	artillery battalion
<i>grupo de caballería [ET]</i>	<i>n</i>	squadron (Sqn) (AmE)
<i>grupo de minas, núcleo minado</i>	<i>n</i>	cluster
<i>grupo de salto</i>	<i>n</i>	chalk, stick
<i>grupo étnico</i>		ethnic group
<i>grupo fecha-hora</i>	<i>n</i>	date-time group (DTG)
<i>grupo logístico</i>	<i>n</i>	CSS battalion
<i>grupo táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	battalion task force, battlegroup, tactical group (TG)
<i>guante</i>	<i>n</i>	glove
<i>guardaespaldas</i>	<i>n</i>	bodyguard
<i>guardamanos</i>	<i>n</i>	handguard
<i>guardamonte</i>	<i>n</i>	trigger guard
<i>guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guard
<i>Guardia Civil, un guardia civil</i>	<i>n</i>	Civil Guard, a civil guard
<i>guardia jurado</i>	<i>n</i>	security guard
<i>Guardia Real</i>	<i>n</i>	Royal Guard
<i>guardia, servicio</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>guardia, servicio de guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guard duty
<i>guardia, vigilante</i>	<i>n</i>	lookout
<i>guarnición</i>	<i>n</i>	garrison
<i>guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	war
<i>guerra de guerrillas</i>	<i>n</i>	guerrilla warfare
<i>guerra de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine warfare
<i>guerra de minas terrestres</i>	<i>n</i>	land mine warfare
<i>guerra de relámpago</i>	<i>n</i>	blitzkrieg
<i>guerra de Vietnam</i>	<i>n</i>	Vietnam war
<i>guerra electrónica</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic warfare (EW)
<i>guerra NBQ</i>	<i>n</i>	NBC warfare
<i>guerra química</i>	<i>n</i>	chemical warfare (CW)
<i>guerra, combate</i>	<i>n</i>	warfare
<i>guerrera</i>	<i>n</i>	blouse (AmE), tunic (BrE), jacket
<i>guerrilleros</i>	<i>n</i>	raiders
<i>guía mediante radiofaro</i>	<i>n</i>	homing signal
<i>guiado</i>	<i>adj</i>	guided
<i>guiñar [aviación]</i>	<i>vi</i>	yaw
<i>guion</i>	<i>n</i>	guidon

<i>gurkha</i>	<i>n</i>	Gurkha
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H

<i>habilidad, destreza, práctica, experiencia</i>	<i>n</i>	skill
<i>hacer (un curso)</i>	<i>v</i>	attend (a course)
<i>hacer embudos</i>	<i>vt</i>	crater
<i>hacer fuego artillero sobre, bombardear con artillería</i>	<i>vt</i>	shell
<i>hacer fuego con un arma</i>	<i>vt</i>	fire
<i>hacer fuego de artillería (sobre)</i>	<i>vt</i>	bombard
<i>hacer instrucción</i>	<i>vi</i>	drill
<i>hacer un levantamiento topográfico, levantar un mapa (de una zona)</i>	<i>vt</i>	survey
<i>hacerse cargo, tomar a cargo</i>	<i>vt</i>	take over (obstacles)
<i>hacha</i>	<i>n</i>	axe
<i>hacha de mano</i>	<i>n</i>	hand axe
<i>hacha de mano, azuela</i>	<i>n</i>	hatchet
<i>hacia atrás</i>	<i>adj</i>	backward
<i>hacia atrás</i>	<i>adv</i>	backward(s)
<i>hacia el blanco</i>	<i>adv</i>	downrange
<i>hacia el oeste</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	westerly, in a westerly direction
<i>hacia el oeste</i>	<i>adv</i>	westward, westwards
<i>hacia el sur</i>	<i>adv</i>	southward(s)
<i>haz, viga</i>	<i>n</i>	beam
<i>helicóptero de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	helicopter gunship, attack helicopter
<i>helicóptero, aeronave de ala rotativo</i>	<i>n</i>	helicopter (hel), rotary wing aircraft, chopper [<i>informl</i>]
<i>heliuerto</i>	<i>n</i>	heliport
<i>herida</i>	<i>n</i>	wound
<i>herida de arma blanca</i>	<i>n</i>	knife wound, stab wound
<i>herida de bala</i>	<i>n</i>	gunshot wound
<i>herido en combate</i>	<i>n</i>	wounded in action (WIA)
<i>herir</i>	<i>vt</i>	wound
<i>herir, lesionar</i>	<i>vt</i>	injure
<i>hertzio</i>	<i>n</i>	hertz (Hz)
<i>hinca de postes, obstáculo a base de postes</i>	<i>n</i>	beam post obstacle
<i>hipertermia</i>	<i>n</i>	hyperthermia
<i>hipotermia</i>	<i>n</i>	hypothermia
<i>hiyab</i>	<i>n</i>	hijab
<i>hoja</i>	<i>n</i>	blade
<i>hoja de plano</i>	<i>n</i>	map sheet (M/sheet)
<i>hombreira</i>	<i>n</i>	epaulette (BrE) epaulet (AmE), shoulder loop
<i>hombreira (de tela)</i>	<i>n</i>	shoulder knot, shoulder loop (AmE), epaulette (BrE)
<i>hombreira (rígida), pala</i>	<i>n</i>	shoulder board (AmE)
<i>hombro</i>	<i>n</i>	shoulder
<i>hondonada, depresión</i>	<i>n</i>	depression
<i>hora aproximada de llegada</i>	<i>n</i>	estimated time of arrival (ETA)

<i>hora aproximada de regreso</i>	<i>n</i>	estimated time of return (ETR)
<i>hora aproximada de salida</i>	<i>n</i>	estimated time of departure (ETD)
<i>hora H</i>	<i>n</i>	H-hour
<i>hora local</i>	<i>n</i>	local time
<i>hora sobre el blanco</i>	<i>n</i>	time on target (TOT)
<i>hora zulú</i>	<i>n</i>	zulu time, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
<i>horario militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military time
<i>hormigón</i>	<i>n</i>	concrete
<i>hormigón armado</i>	<i>n</i>	reinforced concrete
<i>hormigón cemento</i>	<i>n</i>	concrete, cement concrete
<i>hornillo</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition chamber, destruction chamber
<i>hostigar</i>	<i>vt</i>	harass
<i>hostil</i>	<i>adj</i>	hostile
<i>hoyo de protección, pozo de tirador</i>	<i>n</i>	foxhole, fighting hole
<i>hoyo, pozo, fosa</i>	<i>n</i>	pit
<i>huerto, huerta (de árboles frutales)</i>	<i>n</i>	orchard
<i>Hummer</i>	<i>n</i>	Hummer, HMMWV
<i>humo, gases</i>	<i>n</i>	smoke, fumes [plural]

I

<i>identidad</i>	<i>n</i>	ID, identity
<i>identificación amigo/enemigo</i>	<i>n</i>	identification friend or foe (IFF)
<i>identificación del blanco</i>	<i>n</i>	target identification
<i>identificación positiva</i>	<i>n</i>	positive identification (PID)
<i>identificación, reconocimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	recognition
<i>identificación, tarjeta de identificación personal (TIP)</i>	<i>n</i>	identification (ID), ID card
<i>identificar</i>	<i>vt</i>	ID, identify
<i>idioma local</i>	<i>n</i>	local language
<i>ignífugo, incombustible</i>	<i>adj</i>	fireproof
<i>imitación de emisiones enemigas para confundir al enemigo</i>	<i>phr</i>	imitative electronic deception
<i>imitación, falsificación</i>	<i>n</i>	fake
<i>impacto directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct hit
<i>impedancia</i>	<i>n</i>	impedance
<i>impermeable</i>	<i>adj</i>	waterproof
<i>impermeable, chubasquero</i>	<i>n</i>	raincoat, waterproof (BrE)
<i>imposición de la paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peace enforcement
<i>imprevisto</i>	<i>adj</i>	unforeseen
<i>improvisado</i>	<i>adj</i>	improvised
<i>impuesto (a la importación), arancel</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>in situ</i>	<i>adj</i>	on-the-spot
<i>inalámbrico</i>	<i>adj</i>	cordless, wireless
<i>incendiar</i>	<i>v</i>	burn down
<i>incendiario</i>	<i>adj</i>	incendiary
<i>incendio, fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	fire

<i>incentivo</i>	<i>n</i>	incentive
<i>inclinación, parcialidad</i>	<i>n</i>	bias
<i>inclinarse</i>	<i>v</i>	slope
<i>incombustible, ignífugo</i>	<i>adj</i>	fireproof
<i>inconsciente</i>	<i>adj</i>	unconscious
<i>incursión</i>	<i>n</i>	raid
<i>incursión de madrugada, ataque de madrugada</i>	<i>n</i>	dawn raid
<i>indicador</i>	<i>n</i>	gauge
<i>indicador de aceite</i>	<i>n</i>	oil gauge
<i>indicador de temperatura</i>	<i>n</i>	temperature gauge
<i>indicativo, distintivo (de llamada)</i>	<i>n</i>	call sign (C/S)
<i>índice de consumo</i>	<i>n</i>	consumption rate
<i>indirecto</i>	<i>adj</i>	indirect
<i>individuo, persona</i>	<i>n</i>	individual [frml], person
<i>industria de aviación civil, la industria de aviación civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civil aviation industry, the civil aviation industry
<i>infantería a pie</i>	<i>n</i>	dismounted infantry
<i>infantería montada</i>	<i>n</i>	mounted infantry
<i>infiltración</i>	<i>n</i>	infiltration
<i>infiltrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	infiltrate (INFIL)
<i>información</i>	<i>n</i>	information (info)
<i>información, datos</i>	<i>n</i>	data
<i>informar de / sobre algo (a alguien)</i>	<i>vt</i>	report on something (to somebody)
<i>informar de que algo ha ocurrido</i>	<i>phr</i>	report that something has happened
<i>informar, dar novedades, dar parte</i>	<i>vt</i>	report
<i>informática, tecnología de la información</i>	<i>n</i>	information technology (IT)
<i>informe</i>	<i>n</i>	report (RPT, REP)
<i>informe de bombardeo, informe de fuego de aviación</i>	<i>n</i>	BOMBREP
<i>informe de daños</i>	<i>n</i>	damage report
<i>informe de fuego de aviación, informe de bombardeo</i>	<i>n</i>	BOMBREP
<i>informe de incidente</i>	<i>n</i>	incident report (IR)
<i>informe de situación</i>	<i>n</i>	situation report (SITREP)
<i>informe MIJI</i>	<i>n</i>	meaconing, interference, jamming and intrusion report (MIJI report)
<i>informe post misión</i>	<i>n</i>	after action report
<i>informe resumido</i>	<i>n</i>	summary report
<i>infraestructura</i>	<i>n</i>	infrastructure
<i>infrarrojo pasivo</i>	<i>n</i>	PIR
<i>infringir la ley</i>	<i>v</i>	break the law, commit a crime
<i>ingeniería (de combate)</i>	<i>n</i>	combat engineering
<i>ingeniería civil, obra civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civil defense, civil engineering, civil works
<i>iniciación</i>	<i>n</i>	initiation
<i>iniciativa</i>	<i>n</i>	initiative
<i>inmovilizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	pin down
<i>inmovilizar, quedarse parado</i>	<i>v</i>	freeze

<i>inodoro</i>	<i>n</i>	latrine (AmE), toilet
<i>inserción</i>	<i>n</i>	insertion
<i>insignia, distintivo</i>	<i>n</i>	badge, rank insignia [uncount]
<i>insonorizado</i>	<i>adj</i>	soundproof
<i>inspección</i>	<i>n</i>	inspection
<i>inspeccionar</i>	<i>vt</i>	inspect
<i>instalación industrial</i>	<i>n</i>	industrial facility
<i>instalación vital, punto vital</i>	<i>n</i>	critical asset
<i>instalaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	facility
<i>instalaciones de cocina</i>	<i>n</i>	cooking facilities
<i>instalar</i>	<i>vt</i>	set out
<i>instalar un campo de minas</i>	<i>phr</i>	set out a minefield
<i>instalar, montar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fit to/on (a place)
<i>institución militar, fuerzas armadas, milicia</i>	<i>n</i>	military, the military
<i>instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	training (trg), drill
<i>instrucción (de orden cerrado)</i>	<i>n</i>	drill, foot drill, close-order drill (AmE)
<i>instrucción administrativo, orden administrativo</i>	<i>n</i>	administrative instruction, administrative order
<i>instrucción de tiro sin fuego real</i>	<i>n adj</i>	dry-fire
<i>instrucción militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military training
<i>instrucción sobre protección de información clasificada, debriefing</i>	<i>phr</i>	debriefing
<i>instrucciones operativas de transmisiones</i>	<i>n</i>	signal operations [plural] instructions (SOIs)
<i>instruir</i>	<i>v vt</i>	drill
<i>insurgencia</i>	<i>n</i>	insurgency
<i>insurgente</i>	<i>n</i>	insurgent (INS)
<i>INTE (integración terreno enemigo)</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence preparation of the battlefield (IPB)
<i>inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence
<i>inteligencia básica</i>	<i>n</i>	basic intelligence
<i>inteligencia científica y técnica</i>	<i>n</i>	scientific and technical intelligence
<i>inteligencia de comunicaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	communications intelligence (COMINT)
<i>inteligencia de la imagen</i>	<i>n</i>	imagery intelligence (IMINT)
<i>inteligencia de la señal, inteligencia de transmisiones</i>	<i>n</i>	signals intelligence (SIGINT)
<i>inteligencia de transmisiones, inteligencia de la señal</i>	<i>n</i>	signals intelligence (SIGINT)
<i>inteligencia electrónica</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic intelligence (ELINT)
<i>inteligencia estratégica</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic intelligence
<i>inteligencia humana</i>	<i>n</i>	human intelligence (HUMINT)
<i>inteligencia militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military intelligence (MI)
<i>inteligencia operacional</i>	<i>n</i>	operational intelligence (OPINT)
<i>inteligencia para el combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat intelligence
<i>inteligencia táctica</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical intelligence
<i>inteligencia técnica</i>	<i>n</i>	technical intelligence (TECHINT)
<i>inteligencia, vigilancia, adquisición de objetivos y reconocimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence surveillance target acquisition reconnaissance (ISTAR)
<i>intensidad</i>	<i>n</i>	intensity (I)

<i>intentar</i>	<i>vt</i>	attempt
<i>intento</i>	<i>n</i>	attempt
<i>interarmas</i>	<i>n</i>	combined arms
<i>intercambio de apoyos, apoyo mutuo</i>	<i>n</i>	cross servicing
<i>intercambio de disparos, tiroteo</i>	<i>n</i>	firefight
<i>intercepción</i>	<i>n</i>	interception
<i>interdicción</i>	<i>n</i>	interdiction
<i>interdicción aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air interdiction
<i>interdicción aérea del campo de batalla</i>	<i>n</i>	battlefield air interdiction (BAI)
<i>interferencia</i>	<i>n</i>	interference
<i>intermitente</i>	<i>adj</i>	intermittent
<i>interoperabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	interoperability
<i>intérprete</i>	<i>n</i>	interpreter
<i>interrumpir, perturbar, desorganizar, trastornar</i>	<i>vt</i>	disrupt
<i>interrupción</i>	<i>n</i>	stoppage
<i>interrupción</i>	<i>n</i>	switch
<i>interrupción con placa de presión</i>	<i>n</i>	pressure plate switch
<i>interrupción de hombre muerto</i>	<i>n</i>	dead man's switch
<i>intrusión</i>	<i>n</i>	intrusion
<i>intruso</i>	<i>n</i>	intruder
<i>inundación</i>	<i>n</i>	flood
<i>inundación artificial</i>	<i>n</i>	artificial flooding
<i>invadir</i>	<i>vt</i>	invade
<i>inventario</i>	<i>n</i>	inventory
<i>ir (a clase, a la iglesia etc.)</i>	<i>vi</i>	attend (a class, church, etc.)
<i>ir a la caza de, estar acecho a</i>	<i>phr</i>	be on the lookout for (BOLO)
<i>ir de maniobras</i>	<i>phr</i>	go on manoeuvres
<i>irse de permiso, coger permiso</i>	<i>phr</i>	go on leave
<i>izquierda ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	left face

J

<i>jefe</i>	<i>n</i>	leader, commander (CDR), chief
<i>jefe de batallón</i>	<i>n</i>	battalion commander
<i>Jefe de Estado Mayor</i>	<i>n</i>	Chief of Staff (COS)
<i>jefe de la fuerza conjunta</i>	<i>n</i>	Joint Force Commander (JFC)
<i>jefe de pelotón</i>	<i>n</i>	squad leader (AmE)
<i>Jefe de Policía</i>	<i>n</i>	Chief of Police (CoP)
<i>jefe de policía militar</i>	<i>n</i>	provost marshal
<i>jefe de salto</i>	<i>n</i>	jumpmaster, dispatcher
<i>jefe de sección</i>	<i>n</i>	platoon leader (AmE), platoon commander (BrE)
<i>jefe de un centro militar tipo batallón, jefe de una unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	commanding officer (CO)
<i>jefe de una unidad militar, comandante de una unidad militar</i>	<i>n</i>	commander (CDR)

<i>jefe de una unidad, jefe de un centro militar tipo batallón</i>	<i>n</i>	commanding officer (CO)
<i>jefe del componente terrestre de la fuerza conjunta</i>	<i>n</i>	Joint Force Land Component Commander (JFLCC)
<i>Jefe del Estado Mayor de la Defensa (JEMAD)</i>	<i>n</i>	Chief of the Defence (CHOD)
<i>jefe del punto de paso</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing site commander
<i>Jefe Supremo de las FAS</i>	<i>n</i>	Commander in Chief (of the Armed Forces)
<i>jefe, director, comandante</i>	<i>n</i>	commandant
<i>jefe, patrón</i>	<i>n</i>	boss [infml]
<i>jerarquía</i>	<i>n</i>	hierarchy
<i>jerarquizado, jerárquico</i>	<i>adj</i>	hierarchical
<i>jersey</i>	<i>n</i>	pullover, jumper (BrE), sweater, jersey
<i>jersey de cuello alto</i>	<i>n</i>	roll-neck overshirt (AmE), turtleneck (shirt)
<i>juez</i>	<i>n</i>	judge
<i>juicio crítico</i>	<i>n</i>	debriefing
<i>juramento (de fidelidad a la bandera)</i>	<i>n</i>	oath of allegiance
<i>juzgar en consejo de guerra, consejo de guerra</i>	<i>n vt</i>	court-martial

K

<i>kayak</i>	<i>n</i>	kayak
<i>kilómetro (km)</i>	<i>n</i>	kilometer (km) (AmE), kilometre (BrE), k [infml] [usu. solo hablado]
<i>kilovatio (kW)</i>	<i>n</i>	kilowatt (kW)

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<i>ladrar</i>	<i>vi</i>	bark
<i>ladrado</i>	<i>n</i>	bark
<i>ladrillo</i>	<i>n</i>	brick
<i>lago</i>	<i>n</i>	lake
<i>lancha de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	storm boat
<i>lanza puentes acorazado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored bridge layer (AmE), armoured bridge layer (BrE)
<i>lanzacohetes</i>	<i>n</i>	rocket launcher
<i>lanzador</i>	<i>n</i>	launcher
<i>lanzafumígenos</i>	<i>n</i>	smoke grenade dischargers
<i>lanzamiento a distancia (de minas)</i>	<i>n</i>	remote delivery
<i>lanzamiento aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	airdrop
<i>lanzamiento, salto paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	drop
<i>lanzaminas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine launcher
<i>lanzar (un cohete)</i>	<i>vt</i>	launch (a rocket)
<i>lanzar un puente</i>	<i>phr</i>	launch a bridge
<i>lanzarse en picado</i>	<i>phr</i>	go into a dive
<i>lápiz graso</i>	<i>n</i>	chinagraph pencil
<i>láser</i>	<i>n</i>	laser
<i>latón</i>	<i>n</i>	brass

<i>lavandería</i>	<i>n</i>	laundry
<i>lazo del uniforme de paseo femenino</i>	<i>n</i>	neck tab
<i>lealtad</i>	<i>n</i>	loyalty
<i>lectura de planos</i>	<i>n</i>	map reading (MR)
<i>lejos del blanco</i>	<i>adv</i>	uprange
<i>lema</i>	<i>n</i>	motto
<i>leva</i>	<i>n</i>	levy [archaic]
<i>levantamiento topográfico</i>	<i>n</i>	survey, land survey
<i>levantar la tierra</i>	<i>v phr</i>	disturb the soil
<i>ley</i>	<i>n</i>	law
<i>ley de la guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	law of war, law of armed conflict
<i>leyenda</i>	<i>n</i>	legend, key
<i>libertad de acción [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	freedom of action
<i>libra [peso]</i>	<i>n</i>	pound (lb)
<i>libre</i>	<i>adj</i>	unencumbered
<i>libre de / sin cargas o responsabilidad</i>	<i>adj</i>	unencumbered
<i>libro de arrestados</i>	<i>n</i>	punishment book
<i>libro de efectos, acta de material a cargo</i>	<i>n</i>	property book, property record
<i>licencia meritoria</i>	<i>n</i>	honorable discharge
<i>licencia por enfermedad</i>	<i>n</i>	sick leave
<i>líder histórico</i>	<i>n</i>	historical leader
<i>líder religioso</i>	<i>n</i>	religious leader
<i>líder, jefe</i>	<i>n</i>	leader
<i>liderazgo</i>	<i>n</i>	leadership
<i>lienzo, lona</i>	<i>n</i>	canvas [uncount]
<i>ligero</i>	<i>adj</i>	light (lt)
<i>límite</i>	<i>n</i>	boundary
<i>limpieza de minas / desminado</i>	<i>n</i>	mine clearance
<i>limpieza del campo de batalla</i>	<i>n</i>	battle area clearance
<i>línea alámbrica</i>	<i>n</i>	wire line
<i>línea avanzada de las fuerzas propias</i>	<i>n</i>	forward line of own troops (FLOT)
<i>línea costera</i>	<i>n</i>	coastline
<i>línea de cambio de responsabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	hand-over line
<i>línea de coordinación</i>	<i>n</i>	phase line
<i>línea de coordinación de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	fire support coordination line (FSCL)
<i>línea de coordinación final</i>	<i>n</i>	final coordination line
<i>línea de mando, cadena de mando</i>	<i>n</i>	chain of command, command channel
<i>línea de no fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	no-fire line (NFL)
<i>línea de notificación</i>		report line
<i>línea de operaciones [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	line of operations (AmE)
<i>línea de partida</i>	<i>n</i>	line of departure (LD), start line (SL)
<i>línea de protección final</i>	<i>n</i>	final protective line
<i>línea de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	firing line
<i>línea de transmisión</i>	<i>n</i>	transmission line
<i>línea de visión directa</i>	<i>n</i>	line of sight (LOS)
<i>línea fija</i>	<i>n</i>	land line

<i>líneas de comunicaciones</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	lines of communications (LOC)
<i>líneas de señalización vial</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	road markings
<i>linterna</i>	<i>n</i>	flash light (AmE) torch (BrE)
<i>liso</i>	<i>adj</i>	smooth
<i>listo para desplegar</i>	<i>adj phr</i>	deployable
<i>listo para el combate</i>	<i>adj phr</i>	combat ready
<i>listo para hacer fuego [armas]</i>	<i>adj phr</i>	loaded and ready fire
<i>llamada de socorro</i>	<i>n</i>	distress call
<i>llamar</i>	<i>vt</i>	call
<i>llamar a filas, reclutar</i>	<i>vt</i>	conscript
<i>llamar por señas</i>	<i>vt</i>	beckon
<i>llave</i>	<i>n</i>	key
<i>llave de coche</i>	<i>n</i>	car key
<i>llegada</i>	<i>n</i>	arrival
<i>llegar a</i>	<i>vt</i>	come upon
<i>llenar, rellenar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fill
<i>llevar a cabo, realizar, lograr, conseguir, cumplir</i>	<i>vt</i>	accomplish
<i>llevar puesto, vestir</i>	<i>vt</i>	wear [past wore, pp worn]
<i>lluvia radioactiva</i>	<i>n</i>	fall-out
<i>local, de la zona</i>	<i>adj</i>	local
<i>localización de minas, rastreo de minas, búsqueda de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine sweeping
<i>localizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	locate
<i>localizar y dirigirse hacia</i>	<i>vi</i>	home in
<i>logística</i>	<i>n</i>	logistics
<i>lograr, alcanzar, conseguir</i>	<i>vt</i>	attain, achieve, accomplish
<i>logro, consecución, cumplimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	accomplishment, achievement, attainment
<i>lona, lienzo</i>	<i>n</i>	canvas [uncount]
<i>longitud de onda</i>	<i>n</i>	wavelength
<i>lubrificante, lubricante</i>	<i>n</i>	lubricant
<i>lucha, combate, pelea</i>	<i>n</i>	fight
<i>luchar contra, combatir</i>	<i>vt</i>	combat [archaic]
<i>luchar, combatir</i>	<i>vi</i>	fight
<i>lugar de reunión, punto de encuentro</i>	<i>n</i>	rendezvous, rendezvous point (RDVP)
<i>luz (debajo de un vehículo)</i>	<i>n</i>	ground clearance
<i>luz indicadora del aceite</i>	<i>n</i>	oil warning light

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<i>madera</i>	<i>n</i>	wood, timber
<i>maestro armero [militar], armero</i>	<i>n</i>	armorer (AmE), armourer (BrE), gunsmith [civil]
<i>maletín</i>	<i>n</i>	briefcase
<i>maleza</i>	<i>n</i>	brush
<i>malla dirigida</i>	<i>n</i>	directed network
<i>mampara, mamparo</i>	<i>n</i>	bulkhead
<i>mampostería</i>	<i>n</i>	masonry, stonework, brickwork
<i>manantial, fuente</i>	<i>n</i>	spring
<i>mandar</i>	<i>vt</i>	lead

<i>mandato</i>	<i>n</i>	mandate
<i>mando</i>	<i>n</i>	command (CD)
<i>mando absoluto</i>	<i>n</i>	full command (FULL COMD)
<i>mando componente terrestre</i>	<i>n</i>	land component commander (LCC)
<i>mando nacional</i>	<i>n</i>	national commander
<i>mando operativo</i>	<i>n</i>	operational command (OPCOMD)
<i>mando táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical command (TACOM)
<i>mando y control</i>	<i>n</i>	command and control (C2)
<i>mando, control e inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	command, control and intelligence (C2I)
<i>mando, control y comunicaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	command, control and communications (C3)
<i>mando, control, comunicaciones e informática</i>	<i>n</i>	command, control, communications and computers (C4)
<i>mando, control, comunicaciones, informática e inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	command, control, communications, computers, and intelligence (C4I)
<i>manejar</i>	<i>vt</i>	handle
<i>manejar un arma</i>	<i>phr</i>	handle a weapon
<i>mangas remangadas</i>	<i>n</i>	rolled-up sleeves
<i>mango, asa, manilla</i>	<i>n</i>	handle
<i>manguera</i>	<i>n</i>	hosepipe
<i>manguito (para las divisas)</i>	<i>n</i>	rank slide (BrE) epaulette
<i>manguito, manguera</i>	<i>n</i>	hose
<i>manifestarse [doctrina]</i>	<i>vi</i>	demonstrate
<i>manifiesto de vuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	flight manifest
<i>maniobra</i>	<i>n</i>	maneuver (AmE), manoeuvre (BrE)
<i>maniobra con fuego real</i>	<i>n</i>	LIVEX, live fire exercise
<i>maniobra, ejercicio</i>	<i>n</i>	exercise
<i>maniovrabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	maneuverability (AmE), manoeuvrability (BrE)
<i>maniobrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	maneuver (AmE), manoeuvre (BrE)
<i>maniobras</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	manoeuvres (BrE), (training) exercise [count]
<i>manipulación de propias emisiones para confundir al enemigo</i>	<i>n phr</i>	manipulative electronic deception
<i>manos arriba [orden]</i>	<i>phr</i>	hands up!
<i>manta</i>	<i>n</i>	blanket
<i>mantener abierto</i>	<i>vt</i>	keep open
<i>mantenerse en guardia</i>	<i>phr</i>	stay alert
<i>mantenimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	maintenance
<i>mantenimiento de la paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peacekeeping
<i>mantenimiento de la paz en el ciberespacio</i>	<i>n</i>	cyber-peacekeeping
<i>manual</i>	<i>n</i>	handbook
<i>manutención</i>	<i>n</i>	allowance for subsistence
<i>mapa catastral</i>	<i>n</i>	cadastral map
<i>mapa en relieve</i>	<i>n</i>	relief map
<i>maquina de combate de zapadores para movimiento de tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	armored combat earthmover (ACE) (BrE)
<i>máquina para movimiento de tierras</i>	<i>n</i>	earthmover
<i>maquinaria para movimiento de tierras</i>	<i>n</i>	earth-moving equipment

<i>marca de identificación</i>	<i>n</i>	identification marking
<i>marca intermedia</i>	<i>n</i>	intermediate marker
<i>marca, mancha</i>	<i>n</i>	marking
<i>marcado de un campo de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	minefield marking
<i>marcador / señalizador de fila [minas]</i>	<i>n</i>	row marker
<i>marcador de brecha</i>	<i>n</i>	gap marker
<i>marcador de pasillo [minas]</i>	<i>n</i>	lane marker
<i>marcador del punto final [minas]</i>	<i>n</i>	end point marker
<i>marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	travelling (BrE), traveling (AmE)
<i>marcha de aproximación</i>	<i>n</i>	advance to contact, movement to contact
<i>marcha motorizada</i>	<i>n</i>	motor march
<i>marco, entorno</i>	<i>n</i>	framework
<i>mareado</i>	<i>adj</i>	dizzy
<i>mariscal de campo, capitán general</i>	<i>n</i>	field marshal
<i>marisma</i>	<i>n</i>	salt marsh
<i>martillo</i>	<i>n</i>	hammer
<i>más al este, más oriental</i>	<i>adj</i>	easternmost
<i>más al norte, más septentrional</i>	<i>adj</i>	northernmost
<i>más meridional, más al sur</i>	<i>adj</i>	southernmost
<i>más occidental, más al oeste</i>	<i>adj</i>	westernmost
<i>más oriental, más al este</i>	<i>adj</i>	easternmost
<i>masa, mole</i>	<i>n</i>	bulk
<i>máscara antigás</i>	<i>n</i>	respirator, gas mask
<i>mástil [artillería]</i>	<i>n</i>	trail
<i>materia prima</i>	<i>n</i>	raw material
<i>materia radiactiva</i>	<i>n</i>	radioactive material
<i>material</i>	<i>n</i>	material
<i>material [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	materiel
<i>material sobrante</i>	<i>n</i>	spoil [uncount]
<i>material y equipo para enmascaramiento</i>	<i>n</i>	camouflage assets
<i>matorrales, maleza</i>	<i>n</i>	scrub
<i>mayday, socorro</i>	<i>n</i>	mayday
<i>mecánico</i>	<i>n</i>	mechanic
<i>mecanismo de disparo</i>	<i>n</i>	firing mechanism
<i>mecanismo de retorno</i>	<i>n</i>	forward assist (AmE)
<i>mecha</i>	<i>n</i>	fuze, fuse (BrE)
<i>medalla</i>	<i>n</i>	medal
<i>media</i>	<i>n</i>	average
<i>media vuelta ar [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	about face
<i>mediana</i>	<i>n</i>	central reservation (BrE) median, median strip (AmE)
<i>medicina</i>	<i>n</i>	medicine
<i>médico</i>	<i>n</i>	medic
<i>medida de control</i>	<i>n</i>	control measure
<i>medida de prohibición</i>	<i>n</i>	denial measure
<i>medidas de apoyo electrónico</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	electronic warfare support measures (ESM)
<i>medidas de decepción, medidas de engaño</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	deception measures

<i>medidas de engaño, medidas de decepción</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	deception measures
<i>medidas de enmascaramiento</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	camouflage measures
<i>medidas de protección electrónica</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	electronic protective measures (EPM)
<i>medidas disciplinarias</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	disciplinary action
<i>medidas protectoras</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	protective measures
<i>medidor de frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency meter
<i>medio</i>	<i>prefix</i>	half-
<i>medio aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air asset
<i>medio de inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence asset
<i>medio de transmisión</i>	<i>n</i>	means of signal communication [plural]
<i>medio de transporte</i>	<i>n</i>	means of transportation [plural]
<i>medio, recurso</i>	<i>n</i>	asset
<i>mejora, aumento</i>	<i>n</i>	enhancement
<i>mejora, progreso</i>	<i>n</i>	advance
<i>mejorar</i>	<i>vt</i>	improve, enhance
<i>mejorar, progresar</i>	<i>v</i>	advance
<i>memoria buffer</i>	<i>n</i>	buffer
<i>mención en la orden</i>	<i>n</i>	citation
<i> mencionado anteriormente</i>	<i>adj</i>	 aforementioned
<i>mendigar, rogar</i>	<i>vi</i>	beg
<i>mensaje</i>	<i>n</i>	message
<i>mensajero, enlace</i>	<i>n</i>	runner
<i>mentalidad ofensiva</i>	<i>n</i>	offensive mindset
<i>meridional, sur</i>	<i>adj</i>	southern
<i>merito, recompensa</i>	<i>n</i>	award
<i>meter un cartucho en la recámara, cargar</i>	<i>vt</i>	chamber
<i>método de alimentación</i>	<i>n</i>	feeding method
<i>método de deminado</i>	<i>n</i>	clearing method
<i>metralla, fragmento (de bomba)</i>	<i>n</i>	shrapnel [uncount]
<i>mezclar, combinar</i>	<i>v</i>	blend
<i>mezquita</i>	<i>n</i>	mosque
<i>MICLIC, línea carga</i>	<i>n</i>	mine clearing line charge (MICLIC)
<i>milésima [artillera]</i>	<i>n</i>	mil [geom.]
<i>milímetro</i>	<i>n</i>	millimetre (mm) (BrE) millimeter (AmE), mils
<i>militar</i>	<i>adj</i>	military
<i>militar, soldado (hombre)</i>	<i>n</i>	serviceman
<i>militar, soldado (mujer)</i>	<i>n</i>	servicewoman
<i>militares</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	service personnel
<i>milla</i>	<i>n</i>	mile
<i>milla marina</i>	<i>n</i>	nautical mile
<i>millas por hora</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	miles an hour, miles per hour (mph)
<i>mina</i>	<i>n</i>	mine
<i>mina accionada por cable de tracción</i>	<i>n</i>	tripwire mine
<i>mina accionada por contacto</i>	<i>n</i>	contact mine
<i>mina accionada por mando a distancia</i>	<i>n</i>	command detonated mine
<i>mina activa</i>	<i>n</i>	active mine
<i>mina armado, mina espoletado</i>	<i>n</i>	armed mine
<i>mina contra carro</i>	<i>n</i>	antitank mine <i>n</i> (AmE), anti-tank mine (BrE)

<i>mina contra personal</i>	<i>n</i>	antipersonnel mine (AP) (AmE), anti-personnel mine (BrE)
<i>mina contra personal de fragmentación</i>	<i>n</i>	antipersonnel fragmentation mine (AmE)
<i>mina contra personal sin metralla</i>	<i>n</i>	antipersonnel blast mine (AmE)
<i>mina de acción horizontal</i>	<i>n</i>	horizontal action mine
<i>mina de efecto dirigido</i>	<i>n</i>	aimed control effect mine
<i>mina de fondo, mina durmiente</i>	<i>n</i>	dormant mine
<i>mina de fragmentación</i>	<i>n</i>	fragmentation mine
<i>mina de instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	drill mine
<i>mina de presión</i>	<i>n</i>	pressure mine
<i>mina de prohibición de itinerario, mina de acción horizontal</i>	<i>n</i>	off-route mine
<i>mina de referencia</i>	<i>n</i>	base mine
<i>mina de salto</i>	<i>n</i>	bounding mine
<i>mina direccional</i>	<i>n</i>	directional mine
<i>mina dispersable</i>	<i>n</i>	scatterable mine
<i>mina durmiente, mina de fondo</i>	<i>n</i>	dormant mine
<i>mina espoletado, mina armado</i>	<i>n</i>	armed mine
<i>mina falsa, mina simulada</i>	<i>n</i>	dummy mine
<i>mina inerte</i>	<i>n</i>	inert mine
<i>mina instalada en posición</i>	<i>n</i>	placed mine
<i>mina magnética</i>	<i>n</i>	magnetic mine
<i>mina para ataque sobre todo el ancho del vehículo</i>	<i>n</i>	full-width attack mine
<i>mina para prácticas</i>	<i>n</i>	practice mine
<i>mina pasiva</i>	<i>n</i>	passive mine
<i>mina química</i>	<i>n</i>	chemical mine
<i>mina real</i>	<i>n</i>	live mine
<i>mina simulada, mina falsa</i>	<i>n</i>	dummy mine
<i>mina terrestre</i>	<i>n</i>	land mine
<i>mina trampa, trampa explosiva</i>	<i>n</i>	booby trap
<i>minarete, alminar</i>	<i>n</i>	minaret
<i>Ministerio de Defensa</i>	<i>n</i>	Department of Defence (DOD) (AmE), Ministry of Defence (MoD) (BrE)
<i>minoría étnica</i>	<i>n</i>	ethnic minority
<i>mira telescópica</i>	<i>n</i>	telescopic sight
<i>mira térmica</i>	<i>n</i>	thermal imaging sight
<i>misil</i>	<i>n</i>	missile
<i>misil aire-aire</i>	<i>n</i>	air-to-air missile (AAM)
<i>misil aire-superficie</i>	<i>n</i>	air-to-surface missile (ASM)
<i>misil antibalístico</i>	<i>n</i>	anti-ballistic missile (ABM)
<i>misil balístico de alcance intermedio</i>	<i>n</i>	intermediate-range ballistic missile (IRBM)
<i>misil balístico de corto alcance</i>	<i>n</i>	short-range ballistic missile (SRBM)
<i>misil balístico de mediano alcance</i>	<i>n</i>	medium range ballistic missile (MRBM)
<i>misil balístico intercontinental</i>	<i>n</i>	intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM)
<i>misil contracarro de corto alcance</i>	<i>n</i>	short range anti-tank missile

<i>misil de ataque aire-tierra de corto alcance</i>	<i>n</i>	short-range air-to-surface attack missile (SRAM)
<i>misil filodirigido</i>	<i>n</i>	wire guided missile
<i>misil guiado</i>	<i>n</i>	guided missile
<i>misil guiado contracarro</i>	<i>n</i>	anti-tank guided missile (ATGM)
<i>misil superficie-aire, misil tierra-aire</i>	<i>n</i>	surface-to-air-missile (SAM)
<i>misil superficie-superficie, misil tierra-tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	surface-to-surface missile (SSM)
<i>misil tierra-aire, misil superficie-aire</i>	<i>n</i>	surface-to-air-missile (SAM)
<i>misil tierra-tierra, misil superficie-superficie</i>	<i>n</i>	surface-to-surface missile (SSM)
<i>misión</i>	<i>n</i>	mission, assignment
<i>misión cumplida</i>	<i>phr</i>	mission accomplished
<i>misión de paz, operación de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peace operation
<i>misión diplomática</i>	<i>n</i>	embassy, diplomatic mission [<i>frml</i>]
<i>misión permanente, embajada</i>	<i>n</i>	embassy, chancery [<i>frml</i>]
<i>mochila</i>	<i>n</i>	pack, backpack (<i>AmE</i>), rucksack
<i>mochila de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	field pack
<i>mochila grande</i>	<i>n</i>	Bergen ® (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>mochila MOLLE</i>	<i>n</i>	MOLLE rucksack
<i>modalidad de uniforme de paseo (diario) con guerrera</i>	<i>n</i>	class A uniform (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>modalidad de uniforme de paseo sin guerrera, en mangas de camisa</i>	<i>n</i>	class B uniform (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>modelo de correa de instrucción y mochila del Ejército de los EEUU</i>	<i>n</i>	modular lightweight load-carrying equipment (MOLLE) (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>módem</i>	<i>n</i>	modem
<i>modo de disparo</i>	<i>n</i>	firing mode
<i>modo mixto</i>	<i>n</i>	mixed mode (MIX)
<i>modulación en amplitud</i>	<i>n</i>	amplitude (AM)
<i>modulación en frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency modulation (FM)
<i>modular</i>	<i>vt</i>	modulate
<i>módulo básico de instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	boot camp
<i>mole, masa</i>	<i>n</i>	bulk
<i>molino</i>	<i>n</i>	mill
<i>mono (de trabajo)</i>	<i>n</i>	overalls, coveralls [<i>plural</i>] (<i>AmE</i>), cover-alls, fatigue order [<i>militar</i>] (<i>BrE</i>), denims [<i>plural</i>] (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>montado sobre</i>	<i>vt</i>	mounted on
<i>montado, armado</i>	<i>n</i>	cocking
<i>montaje</i>	<i>n</i>	assembly
<i>montar (un arma)</i>	<i>vt</i>	cock
<i>montar el fusil, ensamblar las piezas del fusil</i>	<i>phr</i>	assemble the rifle
<i>montar, instalar</i>	<i>vt</i>	fit to/on (a place)
<i>montar, reunir</i>	<i>vt</i>	assemble
<i>monte, el monte</i>	<i>n</i>	the bush (<i>AusE</i>)
<i>moral, estado de ánimo</i>	<i>n</i>	morale
<i>mordisco</i>	<i>n</i>	bite

<i>mortero</i>	<i>n</i>	mortar shell, mortar bomb
<i>mortero [construcción]</i>	<i>n</i>	mortar
<i>motas, represa, diques</i>	<i>n</i>	damming
<i>motor</i>	<i>n</i>	powerpack, powerplant
<i>moveirse</i>	<i>vi</i>	move
<i>movilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	mobility
<i>movilidad estratégica</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic mobility
<i>movilidad táctica</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical mobility
<i>movilidad todo terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	off-road mobility
<i>movimiento logístico</i>	<i>n</i>	administrative movement
<i>movimiento por saltos</i>	<i>n</i>	bounding overwatch
<i>muelle</i>	<i>n</i>	spring
<i>muelle (de puerto)</i>	<i>n</i>	quay
<i>muelle (el puerto)</i>	<i>n</i>	quayside
<i>muelle recuperador</i>	<i>n</i>	return spring
<i>muerto</i>	<i>adj</i>	dead
<i>muerto en combate</i>	<i>adj</i>	killed in action (KIA)
<i>muesca</i>	<i>n</i>	notch
<i>múltiplex</i>	<i>n</i>	multiplex
<i>multiplicador</i>	<i>n</i>	booster charge
<i>multitud</i>	<i>n</i>	crowd
<i>munición blindada</i>	<i>n</i>	metal-jacket ammunition
<i>munición de artillería de impedimenta de zona</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	area denial artillery munition (ADAM)
<i>munición de fogueo, (munición de) salvas</i>	<i>n</i>	blank, blank ammunition, drill ammunition
<i>munición fallida, munición no explosionada</i>	<i>n</i>	unexploded ordnance (UXO), dud
<i>munición no blindada</i>	<i>n</i>	ball ammunition
<i>munición no explosionada, munición fallida</i>	<i>n</i>	unexploded ordnance (UXO), dud
<i>munición nuclear, química y convencional</i>	<i>n</i>	nuclear, chemical and conventional munitions [plural]
<i>munición sin explotar, munición fallida</i>	<i>n</i>	unexploded ordnance (UXO), dud
<i>munición trazadora</i>	<i>n</i>	tracer ammunition, tracer
<i>munición, municiones</i>	<i>n</i>	munition, ammunition (ammo)
<i>muralla, terraplén</i>	<i>n</i>	rampart [archaic]
<i>muro de protección contra explosiones</i>	<i>n</i>	blast wall
<i>muy grave, crítico</i>	<i>adj</i>	critical
<i>muy importante, clave</i>	<i>adj</i>	major

N

<i>nación anfitrión</i>	<i>n</i>	host nation
<i>nación anfitriona</i>	<i>n</i>	host nation
<i>navaja</i>	<i>n</i>	jack knife (AmE), clasp knife (BrE), knife
<i>navegación</i>	<i>n</i>	navigation
<i>navegación por satélite, GPS</i>	<i>n</i>	GPS, satnav [vehículos]
<i>NBQ, nuclear, biológico y químico</i>	<i>adj</i>	nuclear, biological and chemical (NBC)

<i>necesidad, requisito</i>	<i>n</i>	requirement
<i>necesidades de información</i>	<i>n</i>	information requirement (IR)
<i>negociar con alguien, tratar a alguien</i>	<i>v phr</i>	deal with [<i>past+pp dealt</i>]
<i>neumático de repuesto</i>	<i>n</i>	spare tire (<i>AmE</i>) spare tyre (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>neurosis de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	shell shock [<i>archaic</i>]
<i>neutral</i>	<i>adj</i>	neutral
<i>neutralización</i>	<i>n</i>	neutralization
<i>neutralizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	neutralize (<i>AmE</i>), neutralise (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>nivel [calidad]</i>	<i>n</i>	standard
<i>nivel [topografía]</i>	<i>n</i>	level
<i>nivel de inteligibilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	readability
<i>nivel de volumen, potencia de la señal</i>	<i>n</i>	signal strength
<i>nivel estratégico de la guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic level of war
<i>nivel operacional</i>	<i>n</i>	operational level
<i>nivel operativo de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	operational level of war
<i>nivelación cuesta arriba</i>	<i>n</i>	uphill grade
<i>no estar de servicio, no estar de guardia, saliente</i>	<i>adj</i>	be off duty
<i>No hay novedad, Sin novedad</i>	<i>phr</i>	Nothing to report
<i>no más tarde de</i>	<i>phr</i>	no later than (NLT)
<i>nodo</i>	<i>n</i>	node
<i>nómada</i>	<i>adj</i>	nomadic
<i>nombramiento</i>	<i>n</i>	appointment [<i>frml</i>]
<i>nombramiento de oficial, real despacho, despacho</i>	<i>n</i>	commission
<i>nombramiento, destino</i>	<i>n</i>	assignment
<i>nombrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	appoint [<i>frml</i>]
<i>nombrar a alguien oficial, entregarle el despacho de oficial</i>	<i>vt</i>	commission [<i>usu. passive</i>]
<i>nordeste</i>	<i>n</i>	north-east
<i>norte</i>	<i>n</i>	north
<i>norte de la cuadrícula</i>	<i>n</i>	grid north
<i>norte magnético</i>	<i>n</i>	magnetic north
<i>norte verdadero</i>	<i>n</i>	true north
<i>NRBQ, nuclear, radiológico, biológico y químico</i>	<i>adj</i>	chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN)
<i>NRBQE, nuclear, radiológico, biológico, químico y explosivos</i>	<i>adj</i>	chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and improvised explosives (CBRNe)
<i>nuclear, biológico y químico (NBQ)</i>	<i>adj</i>	nuclear, biological and chemical (NBC)
<i>nuclear, radiológico, biológico y químico (NRBQ)</i>	<i>adj</i>	chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN)
<i>nuclear, radiológico, biológico, químico y explosivos (NRBQE)</i>	<i>adj</i>	chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and improvised explosives (CBRNe)
<i>núcleo minado, grupo de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine cluster, cluster
<i>número de filiación</i>	<i>n</i>	service number, serial number (<i>AmE</i>) [<i>archaic</i>]
<i>número de la seguridad social</i>	<i>n</i>	social security number (SSN) (<i>AmE</i>), national insurance number (NIN) (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>número de serie</i>	<i>n</i>	serial number

O

<i>objetivo alcanzado</i>	<i>phr</i>	goal achieved
<i>objetivo bajo petición</i>	<i>n</i>	on-call target
<i>objetivo intermedio</i>	<i>n</i>	intermediate objective
<i>objetivo planeado</i>	<i>n</i>	planned target
<i>objetivo, blanco</i>	<i>n</i>	target
<i>objetivo, meta</i>	<i>n</i>	objective, goal
<i>objeto no identificado en pista, FOD</i>	<i>n</i>	foreign object debris (FOD)
<i>obligación, deber</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>obligatorio</i>	<i>adj</i>	compulsory
<i>obra civil, ingeniería civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civil defense, civil engineering, civil works [plural]
<i>obras</i>	<i>n</i>	works [plural]
<i>observador avanzado</i>	<i>n</i>	forward observer (FO), forward observation officer (FOO) (BrE)
<i>Observador Militar de Naciones Unidas</i>	<i>n</i>	UNMO
<i>obstaculizar [doctrina]</i>	<i>vt</i>	block
<i>obstáculo</i>	<i>n</i>	obstacle
<i>obstáculo (tipo zanja, barranco o río)</i>	<i>n</i>	gap
<i>obstáculo a base de postes, hínca de postes</i>	<i>n</i>	beam post obstacle
<i>obstáculo con alambrada o cables</i>	<i>n</i>	wire entanglement (obstacle)
<i>obstáculo con árboles</i>	<i>n</i>	tree obstacle
<i>obstáculo con bloques basculantes</i>	<i>n</i>	falling-block obstacle
<i>obstáculo con explosivos</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition obstacle, destruction obstacle
<i>obstáculo de compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	field-type obstacle
<i>obstáculo de zona</i>	<i>n</i>	area obstacle
<i>obstáculo permanente</i>	<i>n</i>	permanent obstacle
<i>obstáculo preparado en tiempo de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peacetime-prepared obstacle
<i>obstáculos de embudos</i>	<i>n</i>	cratering obstacle
<i>obús</i>	<i>n</i>	howitzer
<i>obús autopropulsado</i>	<i>n</i>	self-propelled howitzer
<i>occidental, del oeste</i>	<i>adj</i>	western
<i>ocultación</i>	<i>n</i>	concealment, obscuration
<i>ocultación (con fumígenos)</i>	<i>n</i>	screening smoke
<i>ocupación de una posición</i>	<i>n</i>	occupation of position
<i>ofensiva</i>	<i>adj n</i>	offensive
<i>ofensiva continuada</i>	<i>n</i>	sustained offensive
<i>oficial</i>	<i>adj</i>	official
<i>oficial (Alf, Tte, Cap)</i>	<i>n</i>	company grade officer
<i>oficial [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	officer (offr), commissioned officer
<i>oficial al mando</i>	<i>n</i>	officer in command
<i>oficial de enlace</i>	<i>n</i>	liaison officer (LNO)

<i>oficial de guardia, oficial de servicio</i>	<i>n</i>	duty officer
<i>oficial de mando</i>	<i>n</i>	officer in charge (OIC)
<i>oficial de municionamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition officer
<i>oficial de servicio, oficial de guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	duty officer
<i>oficial del ejército (de tierra)</i>	<i>n</i>	Army officer
<i>oficial general, general, oficial general de Marina [almirante, vicealmirante, contralmirante]</i>	<i>n</i>	general officer, flag officer
<i>oficial subalterno</i>	<i>n</i>	junior officer
<i>oficial superior (Cte, Tcol, Col)</i>	<i>n</i>	field (grade) officer, senior officer
<i>oficialidad, el conjunto de los oficiales</i>	<i>n</i>	officer corps
<i>oficina de correos militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military post office (MPO)
<i>oficina de correos militar británico</i>	<i>n</i>	British forces post office (BFPO)
<i>oficina del taller</i>	<i>n</i>	shop office
<i>oleada</i>	<i>n</i>	wave
<i>oleoducto, canal de abastecimiento, conducto (de agua, etc.)</i>	<i>n</i>	pipeline
<i>onda</i>	<i>n</i>	wave
<i>onda de choque</i>	<i>n</i>	blast wave
<i>onda de radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio wave
<i>onda de tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	ground wave
<i>onda electromagnética</i>	<i>n</i>	electromagnetic wave
<i>onda expansiva, onda explosiva</i>	<i>n</i>	blast, blast wave
<i>onda explosiva, onda expansiva</i>	<i>n</i>	blast, blast wave
<i>onda portadora</i>	<i>n</i>	carrier wave
<i>ONG, organización no gubernamental</i>	<i>n</i>	non-governmental organisation (NGO)
<i>ONU, la ONU</i>	<i>n</i>	UN, the UN
<i>operación</i>	<i>n</i>	operation (op)
<i>operación aerotransportada</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne operation
<i>operación de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	support operation
<i>operación de apoyo y estabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	stability and support operation
<i>operación de estabilización</i>	<i>n</i>	stabilisation operation
<i>operación de información</i>	<i>n</i>	information operation (IO)
<i>operación de mantenimiento de la paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peacekeeping operation
<i>operación de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier operation
<i>operación de paz, misión de paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peace operation
<i>operación de retaguardia</i>	<i>n</i>	rear operation
<i>operación de retardo</i>	<i>n</i>	delaying operation
<i>operación de retirada, retirada</i>	<i>n</i>	withdrawal, withdrawal operation
<i>operación defensiva</i>	<i>n</i>	defensive operation
<i>operación en dúplex</i>	<i>n</i>	full-duplex operation
<i>operación en profundidad</i>	<i>n</i>	deep operation

<i>operación especial</i>	<i>n</i>	special operation
<i>operación ofensiva</i>	<i>n</i>	offensive operation
<i>operación principal</i>	<i>n</i>	major operation
<i>operación próxima</i>	<i>n</i>	close operation
<i>operación secreta</i>	<i>n</i>	clandestine operation
<i>operaciones conjuntas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	joint operations
<i>operaciones contramina</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	countermine operations
<i>operaciones especiales</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	special operations (SO, special ops), commando operations (BrE)
<i>operaciones logísticas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	logistic operations
<i>operaciones no bélicas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	military operations other than war (MOOTW)
<i>operador de radioteléfono</i>	<i>n</i>	radiotelephone operator (RATELO)
<i>operar, manejar</i>	<i>vt</i>	operate
<i>operation en profundidad</i>	<i>n</i>	deep operation
<i>operativo</i>	<i>adj</i>	operational
<i>orden</i>	<i>n</i>	order, command
<i>orden administrativo, instrucción administrativo</i>	<i>n</i>	administrative order, administrative instruction
<i>orden de línea</i>	<i>n</i>	dress
<i>orden de operaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	operation order (OPORD)
<i>orden de régimen interior</i>	<i>n</i>	standing orders [plural]
<i>orden en la línea de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	fire command
<i>orden fragmentaria</i>	<i>n</i>	fragmentary order (FRAGO)
<i>orden particular</i>	<i>n</i>	fragmentary order (FRAGO)
<i>orden preparatoria</i>	<i>n</i>	warning order (WARNO)
<i>ordenador balístico</i>	<i>n</i>	ballistic computer
<i>ordenador portátil</i>	<i>n</i>	laptop
<i>ordenanza</i>	<i>n</i>	orderly, batman [plural batmen] (BrE)
<i>ordenar (algo a alguien)</i>	<i>vt</i>	order, command (somebody + inf)
<i>orgánico</i>	<i>adj</i>	organic
<i>organigrama</i>	<i>n</i>	organization chart, organizational diagram, organisation diagram (BrE)
<i>organización no gubernamental, ONG</i>	<i>n</i>	non-governmental organisation (NGO)
<i>organización operativa</i>	<i>n</i>	task organization
<i>organización para el combate</i>	<i>n</i>	order of battle
<i>organización por fases [doctrina]</i>	<i>n</i>	sequencing
<i>organizar, arreglar</i>	<i>vt</i>	organize, organise (BrE), arrange
<i>orientación</i>	<i>n</i>	grid bearing, grid azimuth
<i>orientada al</i>	<i>vi</i>	face
<i>oriental</i>	<i>adj</i>	eastern, eastward
<i>orientar</i>	<i>vt</i>	orient, orientate (BrE)
<i>oscurecer, ocultar</i>	<i>vt</i>	obscure
<i>oscurecimiento, apagar el alumbrado</i>	<i>n</i>	blackout
<i>OTAN, la OTAN</i>	<i>n</i>	North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
<i>otorgar, recompensar</i>	<i>vt</i>	award
<i>otros temas</i>	<i>n</i>	any other business (AOB)
<i>oxidado</i>	<i>adj</i>	rusted (AmE), rusty (BrE)
<i>óxido</i>	<i>n</i>	rust

P

<i>país</i>	<i>n</i>	country
<i>país anfitrión</i>	<i>n</i>	host nation
<i>pajarita</i>	<i>n</i>	bow tie
<i>pala (de cavar)</i>	<i>n</i>	spade
<i>pala (de pico)</i>	<i>n</i>	shovel, hand shovel
<i>pala, zagal</i>	<i>n</i>	paddle
<i>palanca</i>	<i>n</i>	lever
<i>palanca de montar</i>	<i>n</i>	cocking handle, cocking lever, charging handle
<i>palanca expulsora, expulsor</i>	<i>n</i>	ejector lever
<i>palanca selectora</i>	<i>n</i>	selector lever
<i>paleta</i>	<i>n</i>	pallet
<i>pantalla</i>	<i>n</i>	screen
<i>pantalla de humo</i>	<i>n</i>	smoke screen
<i>pantalla de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	triggering screen
<i>pantalla de protección contra francotiradores</i>	<i>n</i>	antisniper screen <i>n (AmE), anti-sniper (BrE)</i>
<i>pantalón de peto</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	overalls (AmE), dungarees (BrE)
<i>pantalones</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	pants (AmE), slacks (AmE), trousers (BrE)
<i>pantalones cortos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	shorts
<i>pantalones cortos de deporte</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	trunks (AmE), shorts
<i>pantalones de chándal</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	sweat pants (AmE)
<i>pantalones del uniforme de instrucción</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	fatigue pants (AmE), combat trousers
<i>pantalones remetidos en las botas, bombachos</i>	<i>n</i>	bloused trousers
<i>pantano, ciénaga</i>	<i>n</i>	swamp
<i>pantano, embalse</i>	<i>n</i>	reservoir
<i>pantano, terreno húmedo</i>	<i>n</i>	marsh
<i>pañuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	headscarf <i>[plural headscarves or headscarfs]</i>
<i>papear</i>	<i>vi</i>	chow <i>[informal]</i>
<i>papeo</i>	<i>n</i>	chow <i>[informal]</i>
<i>paquete (caja pequeña)</i>	<i>n</i>	packet, pack
<i>paquete (envío)</i>	<i>n</i>	parcel, package
<i>paquete bomba</i>	<i>n</i>	parcel bomb
<i>paquete de cura individual</i>	<i>n</i>	medical pack
<i>parabrisas</i>	<i>n</i>	windshield (AmE), windscreen (BrE)
<i>paracaídas</i>	<i>n</i>	parachute
<i>paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	parachutist
<i>paracaidista [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	paratrooper (para)
<i>paramédico, sanitario, personal sanitario, personal paramédico</i>	<i>n</i>	medic
<i>parámetros</i>	<i>n</i>	parameters
<i>páramo</i>	<i>n</i>	moor
<i>parapeto</i>	<i>n</i>	sangar (BrE), sanga, breastwork
<i>parapeto de tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	earth parapet
<i>parche</i>	<i>n</i>	patch, flash, tab (AmE)
<i>parcialidad, inclinación</i>	<i>n</i>	bias

<i>parque de vehículos, parque móvil</i>	<i>n</i>	motor pool
<i>párrafo</i>	<i>n</i>	paragraph (para)
<i>partida de guerrilleros</i>	<i>n</i>	raiding party
<i>partida, salida</i>	<i>n</i>	departure
<i>partisano</i>	<i>n</i>	partisan
<i>pasador (de condecoración)</i>	<i>n</i>	ribbon, ribbon bar
<i>pasador [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>n</i>	locking pin, retaining pin, takedown pin
<i>pasador de seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	arming pin
<i>pasaporte</i>	<i>n</i>	passport
<i>pasaporte falso</i>	<i>n</i>	false passport, fake passport
<i>pasaporte, visado [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>pasar (una tarjeta)</i>	<i>vt</i>	swipe (a card)
<i>pasar la baqueta a un arma</i>	<i>vt</i>	rod a weapon
<i>pasar la noche</i>	<i>v phr</i>	remain over night (RON)
<i>pasar por desapercibido, armonizar</i>	<i>v phr</i>	blend (in) with
<i>pasar revista a</i>	<i>v phr</i>	inspect
<i>pasar revista a un arma</i>	<i>v phr</i>	clear a weapon
<i>pasarela</i>	<i>n</i>	footbridge
<i>pasillo (para vehículos en un campo de minas)</i>	<i>n</i>	minefield lane, lane
<i>pasillo aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	corridor, air corridor
<i>paso de curso de agua planeado</i>	<i>n</i>	deliberate crossing
<i>paso de línea</i>	<i>n</i>	passage of lines
<i>paso de río</i>	<i>n</i>	river crossing
<i>paso de ríos al asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault river crossing
<i>paso de un curso de agua</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing of water obstacles
<i>paso elevado</i>	<i>n</i>	overpass, flyover (BrE)
<i>paso seguro</i>	<i>n</i>	safe lane
<i>paso sobre la marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	hasty crossing
<i>paso, cruce</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing
<i>patio de armas, explanada de desfile</i>	<i>n</i>	parade ground
<i>patrón, jefe</i>	<i>n</i>	boss [infml]
<i>patrulla</i>	<i>n</i>	patrol
<i>patrulla de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat patrol
<i>paz</i>	<i>n</i>	peace
<i>pedir hora, concertar una cita</i>	<i>v phr</i>	make an appointment
<i>pedir la baja del ejército</i>	<i>vi</i>	drop on request (DOR) (AmE)
<i>pegar</i>	<i>vt</i>	strike [past+pp struck]
<i>peine (para fusil Mauser)</i>	<i>n</i>	clip, ammunition clip
<i>pelea callejera</i>	<i>n</i>	street fight
<i>pelea, lucha, combate</i>	<i>n</i>	fight
<i>peligro, riesgo</i>	<i>n</i>	danger, hazard, threat
<i>peligroso</i>	<i>adj</i>	dangerous, hazardous
<i>pelotón</i>	<i>n</i>	squad (sq) (AmE), section (sect) (BrE)
<i>pelotón / unidad / equipo de voladura</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition firing party, destruction firing party
<i>peluca</i>	<i>n</i>	wig
<i>pendiente</i>	<i>n</i>	slope
<i>pendiente de aviso</i>	<i>phr</i>	to be arranged (tba)

<i>pendiente de confirmación,</i> <i>pendiente de normalización</i>	<i>phr</i>	to be confirmed (tbc)
<i>penetración</i>	<i>n</i>	penetration
<i>penetrador explosivo</i>	<i>n</i>	explosively-formed penetrator (EFP)
<i>penetrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	penetrate
<i>perforador, aguja percutora</i>	<i>n</i>	firing pin
<i>perder</i>	<i>vt</i>	miss
<i>perdigón</i>	<i>n</i>	pellet [count]
<i>perdigones</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	shot, lead shot [uncount], pellets [count]
<i>perforante (de blindaje)</i>	<i>adj</i>	armor-piercing (AmE) armour-piercing (BrE)
<i>perforar (por explosión)</i>	<i>vt vi</i>	blast through
<i>perforar (por fuerza mecánica)</i>	<i>vt vi</i>	bash through
<i>perforar, penetrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	pierce
<i>periodo de descanso entre misiones</i>	<i>n</i>	downtime
<i>período de servicio, misión</i>	<i>n</i>	tour of duty, tour
<i>periscopio</i>	<i>n</i>	periscope
<i>permiso [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	leave, leave of absence
<i>permiso anual, permiso oficial</i>	<i>n</i>	annual leave
<i>permiso de fin de semana</i>	<i>n</i>	weekend leave
<i>permitir, posibilitar</i>	<i>vt</i>	enable
<i>perro guardián</i>	<i>n</i>	guard dog
<i>persecución</i>	<i>n</i>	pursuit
<i>persona no combatiente</i>	<i>n</i>	noncombatant (AmE), non-combatant (BrE)
<i>persona que coloca bombas</i>	<i>n</i>	bomber
<i>persona, individuo</i>	<i>n</i>	person, individual [frm]
<i>personal</i>	<i>n</i>	personnel, staff [singular y plural]
<i>personal de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	support staff
<i>personal de refuerzo</i>	<i>n</i>	augmentee
<i>personal paramédico, sanitario,</i> <i>personal sanitario, paramédico</i>	<i>n</i>	medic
<i>personal TEDAX</i>	<i>n</i>	EOD personnel, explosive ordnance disposal personnel
<i>personal, individual</i>	<i>adj</i>	personal
<i>pértiga explosiva</i>	<i>n</i>	bangalore torpedo
<i>perturbación</i>	<i>n</i>	jamming
<i>perturbación (de las ayudas a la navegación)</i>	<i>n</i>	meaconing
<i>perturbación electrónica</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic jamming
<i>perturbar</i>	<i>vt</i>	jam
<i>perturbar, desorganizar, trastornar, interrumpir</i>	<i>vt</i>	disrupt
<i>pesado</i>	<i>adj</i>	heavy
<i>pestillo, cerrojo</i>	<i>n</i>	bolt, lock
<i>petardo</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition block
<i>petición de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	call for fire
<i>picadura de serpiente</i>	<i>n</i>	snake bite
<i>pico (de cavar)</i>	<i>n</i>	pickaxe, pick
<i>pico, aumento repentino</i>	<i>n</i>	surge
<i>pie (doce pulgadas)</i>	<i>n</i>	foot [plural feet] (ft, ')
<i>pie de trinchera</i>	<i>n</i>	trench foot, immersion frostbite
<i>pieza de artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	artillery piece
<i>pila, batería</i>	<i>n</i>	battery

<i>piragua, canoa</i>	<i>n</i>	canoe
<i>piramidal</i>	<i>adj</i>	pyramidal
<i>pista</i>	<i>n</i>	track
<i>pista americana, pista de obstáculos, pista de aplicación</i>	<i>n</i>	obstacle course
<i>pista de aterrizaje</i>	<i>n</i>	airstrip
<i>pista de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	assault course
<i>pista de helicóptero, plataforma de helicóptero</i>	<i>n</i>	helipad
<i>pista no asfaltada, carretera no asfaltada</i>	<i>n</i>	dirt road
<i>pista, camino</i>	<i>n</i>	dirt track
<i>pistola</i>	<i>n</i>	pistol
<i>pistolera, funda de la pistola</i>	<i>n</i>	holster
<i>placa (con el nombre)</i>	<i>n</i>	nameplate, name-tag
<i>placa base (p. ej. en un mortero)</i>	<i>n</i>	baseplate
<i>placa blindada frontal inferior</i>	<i>n</i>	toe plate
<i>placa de circuito impreso [sin componentes], PCB</i>	<i>n</i>	circuit board, printed circuit board (PCB)
<i>plan de carga</i>	<i>n</i>	load plan, loading plan
<i>plan de concentración</i>	<i>n</i>	staging plan
<i>plan de contingencia</i>	<i>n</i>	contingency plan (COPLAN)
<i>plan de desembarco</i>	<i>n</i>	landing plan
<i>plan de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	fire plan
<i>plan de movimiento aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air movement plan
<i>plan de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier plan, obstacle plan
<i>plan de operaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	operation plan (OPLAN)
<i>plan de recogida de inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence collection plan
<i>plan de reconocimiento y vigilancia</i>	<i>n</i>	reconnaissance and surveillance plan
<i>plan de voladura</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition plan, destruction plan
<i>plan táctico terrestre</i>	<i>n</i>	ground tactical plan
<i>plana mayor de compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	company headquarters
<i>plancha del glacis</i>	<i>n</i>	glacis plate
<i>planeador</i>	<i>n</i>	glider
<i>planes logísticos</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	logistical planning
<i>plano, mapa</i>	<i>n</i>	map
<i>planta calle</i>	<i>n</i>	ground floor
<i>plantilla de personal</i>	<i>n</i>	complement
<i>plantilla orgánica</i>	<i>n</i>	table of organization and equipment (TOE)
<i>plataforma tráiler de bajo perfil</i>	<i>n</i>	flatbed
<i>plegable</i>	<i>adj</i>	collapsible, folding
<i>pluma, brazo</i>	<i>n</i>	boom
<i>plutonio altamente radiactivo</i>	<i>n</i>	highly radioactive plutonium
<i>poder</i>	<i>n</i>	power
<i>polainas</i>	<i>n</i>	gaiters [plural]
<i>polarización horizontal</i>	<i>n</i>	horizontal polarization
<i>policía militar</i>	<i>n</i>	military police (MP), provost
<i>Policía Nacional Afgana</i>	<i>n</i>	Afghan National Police (ANP)
<i>policía, agente de policía</i>	<i>n</i>	police officer, policeman/woman
<i>polvo</i>	<i>n</i>	dust

<i>polvorín</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition depot, ammunition complex
<i>polvorín de bombas</i>	<i>n</i>	bomb dump
<i>polvorín de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	field ammunition storage
<i>poncho</i>	<i>n</i>	poncho
<i>poner a cero</i>	<i>v phr</i>	zero, zeroize
<i>poner, colocar</i>	<i>vt</i>	lay [<i>past+pp</i> laid]
<i>ponerse (en posición de)</i> <i>firmes, adoptar la posición de</i> <i>firmes</i>	<i>v phr</i>	stand to attention
<i>ponerse (una prenda)</i>	<i>vt</i>	put on
<i>popa</i>	<i>adj n</i>	aft
<i>por tiempos</i>	<i>adv phr</i>	by numbers
<i>porta equipo: corraje de</i> <i>instrucción y mochila del tipo</i> <i>del “PECO” español</i>	<i>n</i>	load bearing equipment (LBE) (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>portaaviones</i>	<i>n</i>	aircraft carrier
<i>portafiador</i>	<i>n</i>	sear carrier
<i>portaplanos</i>	<i>n</i>	map case, M/case
<i>portátil</i>	<i>adj</i>	portable, man-portable
<i>posibilitar, permitir</i>	<i>v</i>	enable
<i>posición</i>	<i>n</i>	position
<i>posición alternativa</i>	<i>n</i>	alternative position (<i>BrE</i>) alternate position (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>posición de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault position, attack position
<i>posición de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	attack position
<i>posición de enfilada</i>	<i>n</i>	position of enfilade
<i>posición de tendido</i>	<i>n</i>	prone position
<i>posición fortificada</i>	<i>n</i>	fortified position
<i>poste</i>	<i>n</i>	post, beam post
<i>poste de vallado</i>	<i>n</i>	fence post
<i>potencia</i>	<i>n</i>	power
<i>potencia de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat power
<i>potencia de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	firepower
<i>potencia de salida</i>	<i>n</i>	power output
<i>pozo de drenaje</i>	<i>n</i>	sullage pit, soakage pit
<i>pozo de inspección, registro</i>	<i>n</i>	manhole
<i>pozo de tirador</i>	<i>n</i>	fighting hole, foxhole
<i>práctica</i>	<i>n</i>	practice
<i>práctica cultural, costumbres</i> <i>locales</i>	<i>n</i>	cultural practice
<i>practicabilidad o accesibilidad</i> <i>del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain trafficability
<i>pradera</i>	<i>n</i>	grassland
<i>precisión</i>	<i>n</i>	accuracy
<i>precisión milimétrica</i>	<i>n</i>	pin-point accuracy
<i>preciso</i>	<i>adj</i>	accurate
<i>prenda de cabeza</i>	<i>n</i>	headgear
<i>prenda de vestir</i>	<i>n</i>	garment
<i>prendas confeccionadas con</i> <i>tejido de pantalón vaquero</i>	<i>n</i>	denims [<i>plural</i>]
<i>preparación artillera</i>	<i>n</i>	artillery preparation
<i>preparación para el invierno</i>	<i>n</i>	winterisation
<i>preposicionar</i>	<i>vt</i>	pre-position

<i>presa</i>	<i>n</i>	dam
<i>presentarse</i>	<i>vi</i>	report
<i>presión de la onda de choque</i>	<i>n</i>	blast pressure
<i>preso</i>	<i>n</i>	detainee
<i>prevenido</i>	<i>adj</i>	be on guard
<i>primer nombre</i>	<i>n</i>	first name
<i>primera guerra mundial</i>	<i>n</i>	The Great War, World War One (WWI, WW1)
<i>primeros auxilios</i>	<i>n</i>	first-aid [uncount]
<i>principal</i>	<i>adj</i>	primary
<i>principios, fundamentos</i>	<i>n</i>	fundamentals [plural]
<i>prisionero de guerra</i>	<i>n</i>	prisoner of war (POW, PW)
<i>prisionero, preso</i>	<i>n</i>	prisoner
<i>prismáticos</i>	<i>n</i>	binoculars [plural]
<i>proa</i>	<i>adj n</i>	fore
<i>procedimiento operativo normalizado</i>	<i>n</i>	standing operating procedure (SOP)
<i>procedimientos</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	procedures
<i>procedimientos operativos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	operating procedures
<i>procedimientos operativos normalizados, procedimientos operativos permanentes</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	standing operating procedures (SOPs)
<i>procedimientos operativos permanentes, procedimientos operativos normalizados</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	standing operating procedures (SOPs)
<i>procedimientos para el empleo de barreras</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	barrier employment procedures
<i>productos comerciales</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	commercial off-the-shelf (COTS)
<i>profundidad del embudo</i>	<i>n</i>	crater depth
<i>programa, horario</i>	<i>n</i>	schedule, timetable (BrE)
<i>prohibición de itinerario</i>	<i>n</i>	route denial
<i>promoción</i>	<i>n</i>	class
<i>promover, fomentar</i>	<i>vt</i>	promote, encourage
<i>propagación de onda</i>	<i>n</i>	wave propagation
<i>propagación electromagnética</i>	<i>n</i>	propagation
<i>propaganda</i>	<i>n</i>	propaganda
<i>propio</i>	<i>adj</i>	friendly
<i>proporcionar, proveer</i>	<i>vt</i>	provide, furnish
<i>protección contra fragmentos</i>	<i>n</i>	fragment protection
<i>protección contra la onda expansiva</i>	<i>n</i>	blast protection
<i>protección de fuerzas</i>	<i>n</i>	force protection
<i>protección de la fuerza</i>	<i>n</i>	force protection
<i>protocolo de entendimiento o acuerdo</i>	<i>n</i>	memorandum of understanding (mou.)
<i>prototipo</i>	<i>n</i>	prototype
<i>proveedor</i>	<i>n</i>	supplier
<i>proveer, proporcionar</i>	<i>vt</i>	furnish
<i>próximo a, cerca de</i>	<i>adj</i>	close
<i>proyectil</i>	<i>n</i>	projectile
<i>proyectil APFS</i>	<i>n</i>	APFS projectile
<i>proyectil APFSDS</i>	<i>n</i>	APFSDS projectile
<i>proyectil de artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	shell
<i>proyectil guiado contracarro</i>	<i>n</i>	anti-tank guided missile (ATGM)

<i>proyectil perforante de energía cinética</i>	<i>n</i>	kinetic energy projectile
<i>proyectil perforante de energía química</i>	<i>n</i>	chemical energy projectile
<i>prudencia, cautela</i>	<i>n</i>	caution
<i>prudente, cauto</i>	<i>adj</i>	cautious
<i>prueba en vacío, simulacro, prueba</i>	<i>n</i>	dry run, test
<i>prueba, prueba en vacío, simulacro</i>	<i>n</i>	test, dry run
<i>pruebas físicas del Ejército de Tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) (AmE)
<i>puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridge
<i>puente aéreo, transporte aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	airlift
<i>puente con medios anfibios</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious bridge
<i>puente de arco</i>	<i>n</i>	arch bridge
<i>puente de asalto</i>	<i>n</i>	assault bridge
<i>puente de circunstancias</i>	<i>n</i>	expedient bridge
<i>puente de hormigón reforzado</i>	<i>n</i>	reinforced concrete bridge
<i>puente viga</i>	<i>n</i>	beam bridge
<i>puente viga tipo medio, MGB</i>	<i>n</i>	medium girder bridge (MGB)
<i>puerto (de montaña), collado</i>	<i>n</i>	saddle
<i>puerto de desembarque</i>	<i>n</i>	port of debarkation (POD)
<i>puerto de embarque</i>	<i>n</i>	port of embarkation (POE)
<i>puesto</i>	<i>n</i>	post, station
<i>puesto avanzado</i>	<i>n</i>	outpost
<i>puesto de ametralladora</i>	<i>n</i>	machine gun post
<i>puesto de control de seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	security checkpoint
<i>puesto de control de tráfico</i>	<i>n</i>	traffic control post (TCP)
<i>puesto de mando</i>	<i>n</i>	command post (CP)
<i>puesto de mando principal</i>	<i>n</i>	main command post
<i>puesto de mando retrasado</i>	<i>n</i>	rear command post
<i>puesto de mando táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical command post (TAC CP)
<i>puesto de observación</i>	<i>n</i>	observation post (OP), observation point
<i>puesto de observación del fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	firing observation post
<i>puesto de observación, atalaya</i>	<i>n</i>	lookout
<i>puesto de primeros auxilios, centro de primeros auxilios, puesto de socorro</i>	<i>n</i>	first-aid station, first-aid post (BrE)
<i>puesto de socorro de batallón</i>	<i>n</i>	battalion aid station (BAS)
<i>puesto de socorro, centro de primeros auxilios, puesto de primeros auxilios</i>	<i>n</i>	first-aid station, first-aid post (BrE)
<i>puesto de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	firing post
<i>puesto del conductor</i>	<i>n</i>	driving compartment, cab
<i>puesto del tirador</i>	<i>n</i>	gunner's station
<i>pulgada</i>	<i>n</i>	inch (in, ")
<i>pulpos, correa elástica</i>	<i>n</i>	bungees [plural], bungee cord
<i>pulso electromagnético</i>	<i>n</i>	electromagnetic pulse (EMP)
<i>pum, estruendo</i>	<i>n</i>	boom
<i>puntería</i>	<i>n</i>	aiming
<i>puntito</i>	<i>n</i>	pin-point

<i>punto alternativo para paso con puente</i>	<i>n</i>	alternative bridging site (BrE) alternate bridging site (AmE)
<i>punto de abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	supply point
<i>punto de almacenaje</i>	<i>n</i>	storage site
<i>punto de almacenamiento de municiones</i>	<i>n</i>	ammunition storage site
<i>punto de asentamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	emplacement site
<i>punto de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	attack point
<i>punto de canibalización</i>	<i>n</i>	cannibalization point
<i>punto de contacto</i>	<i>n</i>	point of contact (POC)
<i>punto de control</i>	<i>n</i>	control point
<i>punto de coordinación</i>	<i>n</i>	co-ordinating point
<i>punto de dislocación</i>	<i>n</i>	final assembly area
<i>punto de estrangulamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	choke point, bottle neck
<i>punto de lanzamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	release point
<i>punto de mira</i>	<i>n</i>	fore sight, front sight
<i>punto de partida</i>	<i>n</i>	point of departure (PD), start point
<i>punto de paso</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing site
<i>punto de paso alternativo</i>	<i>n</i>	alternate crossing site (AmE), alternative crossing site (BrE)
<i>punto de paso con medios anfibios</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious crossing site
<i>punto de paso de ríos de emergencia</i>	<i>n</i>	emergency river crossing site
<i>punto de puntería</i>	<i>n</i>	firing point (FP)
<i>punto de referencia (sobre el terreno), punto característico del terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	landmark
<i>punto de referencia del blanco</i>	<i>n</i>	target reference point (TRP)
<i>punto de relevo</i>	<i>n</i>	release point
<i>punto de reunión</i>	<i>n</i>	rally point, rallying point
<i>punto de reunión/reorganización en el objetivo</i>	<i>n</i>	objective rally point (ORP)
<i>punto de rotación</i>	<i>n</i>	pivot point
<i>punto de verificación, control (de carretera)</i>	<i>n</i>	check point (CP), vehicle check point (VCP)
<i>punto fuerte</i>	<i>n</i>	strong point
<i>punto fuerte en una barrera de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier strong point
<i>punto vital, instalación vital</i>	<i>n</i>	critical asset
<i>puntos de anclaje</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	tie-down points

Q

<i>que funciona, vigente</i>	<i>adj</i>	operative
<i>que manda, al mando</i>	<i>adj</i>	commanding
<i>que puede ser obtenido, útil, en uso</i>	<i>adj</i>	available
<i>quedar bien de talla (a alguien)</i>	<i>vt</i>	fit
<i>quedarse parado, inmovilizar</i>	<i>vt</i>	freeze
<i>quemarse, arder</i>	<i>vt</i>	burn

<i>químico</i>	<i>adj</i>	chemical
<i>quitamiedos [infml], valla protectora</i>	<i>n</i>	crash barrier (BrE), guard rail (AmE)
<i>quitarse</i>	<i>vt</i>	take off

R

<i>ración de campaña, ración de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	rations (rat), combat rations, combat ration pack, meal ready-to-eat (MRE) (AmE)
<i>ración de combate, ración de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	rations (rat), combat rations, combat ration pack, meal ready-to-eat (MRE) (AmE)
<i>radar aerotransportado</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne radar
<i>radar de seguimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	tracking radar
<i>radar de vigilancia</i>	<i>n</i>	surveillance radar
<i>radiactivo, radioactivo</i>	<i>adj</i>	radioactive
<i>radiar energía</i>	<i>vt</i>	radiate
<i>radio frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	radio frequency (RF)
<i>radiobaliza</i>	<i>n</i>	beacon
<i>radioescucha, escucha</i>	<i>n</i>	eavesdropping
<i>radiogoniometría, radiolocalización</i>	<i>n</i>	direction finding (DF)
<i>radiolocalización, radiogoniometría</i>	<i>n</i>	direction finding (DF)
<i>ráfaga (de disparos)</i>	<i>n</i>	burst
<i>rajado, agrietado</i>	<i>adj</i>	cracked
<i>rama</i>	<i>n</i>	branch [árbol]
<i>ramal de enlace</i>	<i>n</i>	linking spur
<i>rápido</i>	<i>adj</i>	swift
<i>rápido</i>	<i>adv</i>	swiftly
<i>rápido, sobre la marcha</i>	<i>adj</i>	hasty
<i>rascador</i>	<i>n</i>	scraper
<i>rasgo</i>	<i>n</i>	feature
<i>rastreo de minas, búsqueda de minas, localización de minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine sweeping
<i>raya, estría, surco</i>	<i>n</i>	groove
<i>rayado</i>	<i>adj</i>	scratched
<i>rayado (de un arma)</i>	<i>n</i>	rifling
<i>reabastecimiento, reposición</i>	<i>vt</i>	resupply
<i>real despacho, despacho, nombramiento de oficial</i>	<i>n</i>	commission
<i>realizable</i>	<i>adj</i>	accomplishable
<i>realizar, llevar a cabo, lograr, conseguir, cumplir</i>	<i>vt</i>	accomplish
<i>reanimación cardiovascular</i>	<i>n</i>	cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
<i>rebotar (en)</i>	<i>vi vt</i>	ricochet (off)
<i>rebufo (de arma de fuego)</i>	<i>n</i>	back-blast, muzzle blast
<i>recámara</i>	<i>n</i>	chamber
<i>recibido [proword]</i>	<i>adj</i>	roger
<i>recibido hasta ahora [proword]</i>	<i>phr</i>	roger so far
<i>recibir el despacho de oficial</i>	<i>v phr</i>	be commissioned
<i>recibir la orden de evacuación</i>	<i>v phr</i>	receive an evacuation order
<i>recinto, complejo</i>	<i>n</i>	compound

<i>recipiente para FOD</i>	<i>n</i>	FOD bin
<i>recluta</i>	<i>n</i>	conscript
<i>reclutar, contratar</i>	<i>v</i>	recruit
<i>reclutar, llamar a filas</i>	<i>v</i>	conscript
<i>recoger</i>	<i>vt</i>	pick up, collect
<i>recompensa de unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	unit award
<i>recompensa, mérito</i>	<i>n</i>	award
<i>recompensar, otorgar</i>	<i>vt</i>	award
<i>reconocer (terreno, área, zona)</i>	<i>vt</i>	reconnoiter, recon <i>vt (AmE)</i> reconnoitre, recce <i>vt (BrE)</i>
<i>reconocido (de terreno, área, zona)</i>	<i>adj</i>	reconnoitered
<i>reconocimiento (de terreno)</i>	<i>n</i>	reconnaissance, recce <i>(BrE)</i> , recon <i>(AmE)</i>
<i>reconocimiento (por servicio)</i>	<i>n</i>	accolade
<i>reconocimiento aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air reconnaissance
<i>reconocimiento de zona</i>	<i>n</i>	zone reconnaissance
<i>reconocimiento en fuerza</i>	<i>n</i>	reconnaissance in force
<i>reconocimiento médico, llamada a botiquín</i>	<i>n</i>	sick call
<i>reconocimiento por el fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	reconnaissance by fire
<i>reconocimiento sobre la marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	hasty reconnaissance
<i>reconstrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	rebuilding
<i>record individual [deporte]</i>	<i>n</i>	personal best (PB)
<i>recuento de bajas</i>	<i>n</i>	body count
<i>recuperación (de material)</i>	<i>n</i>	recovery
<i>recuperación de material en campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	battlefield recovery
<i>recursos</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	resources
<i>recursos humanos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	human resources
<i>recursos, medios</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	means
<i>red de área MSE®</i>	<i>n</i>	MSE network
<i>red de comunicaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	network (net)
<i>red de ordenadores</i>	<i>n</i>	computer network
<i>red digital de servicios integrados</i>	<i>n</i>	integrated services digital network (ISDN)
<i>red libre</i>	<i>n</i>	free net
<i>red mimética</i>	<i>n</i>	camouflage net, scrim <i>[uncount]</i> , face veil <i>(BrE)</i>
<i>red radio de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat radio network (CNR)
<i>redespliegue</i>	<i>n</i>	redeployment
<i>reelevación</i>	<i>n</i>	muzzle flip
<i>referente a la organización</i>	<i>adj</i>	organizational, organisational <i>(BrE)</i>
<i>reflexión</i>	<i>n</i>	reflection
<i>reforzado</i>	<i>adj</i>	reinforced
<i>reforzar</i>	<i>vt</i>	reinforce
<i>refracción</i>	<i>n</i>	refraction
<i>refuerzo</i>	<i>n</i>	reinforcing, augmentation
<i>refuerzos</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	reinforcements
<i>refugiado</i>	<i>n</i>	refugee
<i>refugio antiaéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air raid shelter
<i>refugio bajo tierra, refugio subterráneo</i>	<i>n</i>	underground shelter, dugout

<i>refugio subterráneo, refugio bajo tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	underground shelter, dugout
<i>refugio, abrigo</i>	<i>n</i>	shelter
<i>refugio, hoyo de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	hooch (AmE) [infml], hootchie (AusE) [infml], foxhole
<i>regimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	regiment (regt)
<i>regimiento de zapadores anfíbios</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious engineer regiment
<i>registro, pozo de inspección</i>	<i>n</i>	manhole
<i>reglas de enfrentamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	rules of engagement (ROE)
<i>regreso a la base</i>	<i>n</i>	return to base (RTB)
<i>regular los elementos de puntería de un arma</i>	<i>vt</i>	zero, zero in
<i>rehén</i>	<i>n</i>	hostage
<i>relación peso potencia</i>	<i>n</i>	power-to-weight-ratio
<i>relé</i>	<i>n</i>	relay
<i>relevo de la guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guard mount
<i>relevo sobre el terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	relief in place (RIP)
<i>relieve</i>	<i>n</i>	relief
<i>relleno</i>	<i>n</i>	fill, back fill
<i>relleno inerte</i>	<i>n</i>	inert filling
<i>remangar</i>	<i>vt</i>	roll up
<i>remar</i>	<i>vi</i>	paddle
<i>remitente, transmisor</i>	<i>n</i>	originator
<i>remolcado</i>	<i>adj</i>	towed
<i>remolcar</i>	<i>vt</i>	tow
<i>remolque</i>	<i>n</i>	trailer (tlr)
<i>rendimiento, eficiencia</i>	<i>n</i>	efficiency
<i>rendirse</i>	<i>vi</i>	surrender
<i>rentable, económico</i>	<i>adj</i>	cost effective
<i>reorganizar, reunir</i>	<i>vi</i>	rally
<i>reparación</i>	<i>n</i>	repair
<i>reparación de daño (de campos de aviación)</i>	<i>n</i>	airfield damage repair (ADR)
<i>reparación de daños</i>	<i>n</i>	damage repair
<i>reparar</i>	<i>vt</i>	repair
<i>reparto, adjudicación, distribución, asignación</i>	<i>n</i>	allocation
<i>repelente antimosquitos</i>	<i>n</i>	mosquito repellent
<i>repelente de insectos</i>	<i>n</i>	insect repellent
<i>repeler</i>	<i>vt</i>	repel
<i>repeler un ataque</i>	<i>v phr</i>	repel an attack
<i>repliegue</i>	<i>n</i>	retirement
<i>reposición, reabastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	resupply
<i>repostar, reabastecerse (de combustible)</i>	<i>vi vt</i>	refuel
<i>represa, diques, motas</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	damming [uncount]
<i>reptar</i>	<i>v</i>	crawl
<i>repuestos, piezas de repuesto</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	spare parts
<i>requiescat in pace (RIP), descansa en paz</i>	<i>phr</i>	rest in peace (RIP)
<i>requisa</i>	<i>n</i>	requisition
<i>requisito, necesidad</i>	<i>n</i>	requirement

<i>rescate</i>	<i>n</i>	rescue
<i>reserva</i>	<i>n</i>	reserve
<i>reservas</i>	<i>n</i>	stocks [<i>plural</i>]
<i>reservista</i>	<i>n</i>	reservist
<i>resistencia</i>	<i>n</i>	resistance
<i>resistencia a la compresión</i>	<i>n</i>	compressive strength
<i>resistente al agua, impermeable</i>	<i>adj</i>	waterproof
<i>responsable por</i>	<i>adj</i>	responsible for + <i>ger.</i>
<i>restar</i>	<i>v</i>	subtract
<i>restos, escombros</i>	<i>n</i>	debris
<i>restricción de movimientos</i>	<i>n</i>	movement restriction
<i>resumen</i>	<i>n</i>	summary
<i>resumen de información</i>	<i>n</i>	intelligence summary (INTSUM)
<i>resumen diario de inteligencia</i>	<i>n</i>	daily intelligence summary (DISUM)
<i>retaguardia</i>	<i>n</i>	rear guard
<i>retardar</i>	<i>vi</i>	delay
<i>retardo, retraso</i>	<i>n</i>	delay
<i>retener</i>	<i>vt</i>	retain
<i>retenida del cargador</i>	<i>n</i>	magazine catch
<i>retirada de escombros</i>	<i>n</i>	debris clearance
<i>retirada táctica (planeada)</i>	<i>n</i>	tactical withdrawal
<i>retirarse</i>	<i>vi</i>	retreat, withdraw (wdr) [<i>past withdrew, pp withdrawn</i>]
<i>retorcer, deformar</i>	<i>vt</i>	distort
<i>retraso, retardo</i>	<i>n</i>	delay
<i>retrocarga, de retrocarga</i>	<i>adj</i>	breech loading (BL)
<i>retroceder [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>vi</i>	recoil
<i>retroceso [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>n</i>	recoil
<i>retroceso de masas</i>	<i>n</i>	blowback
<i>retroexcavadora</i>	<i>n</i>	backhoe
<i>reunión operativa previa</i>	<i>n</i>	briefing
<i>reunión, encuentro</i>	<i>n</i>	rendezvous (RV)
<i>reunir, reorganizar</i>	<i>vi</i>	rally
<i>reutilizable</i>	<i>adj</i>	re-usable
<i>revestimiento de obra</i>	<i>n</i>	revetment
<i>revestimiento de tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	revetment
<i>revisar, examinar</i>	<i>vt</i>	inspect
<i>revisión médica</i>	<i>n</i>	medical check-up, check-up
<i>revista</i>	<i>n</i>	inspection
<i>revista técnica</i>	<i>n</i>	showdown inspection
<i>riachuelo, arroyo</i>	<i>n</i>	creek (AmE)
<i>rifle semiautomático</i>	<i>n</i>	semiautomatic rifle
<i>río</i>	<i>n</i>	river
<i>rio abajo, aguas abajo</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	downstream
<i>rio arriba, aguas arriba</i>	<i>adj</i>	upstream
<i>risco</i>	<i>n</i>	crag
<i>risco, acantilado</i>	<i>n</i>	bluff, cliff
<i>ritmo</i>	<i>n</i>	tempo
<i>roca grande, bloque</i>	<i>n</i>	boulder
<i>rocoso</i>	<i>adj</i>	rocky
<i>rodilleras</i>	<i>n</i> [<i>count</i>]	knee pads

<i>rodillo</i>	<i>n</i>	roller
<i>rodillo levantaminas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine roller
<i>rodillo para desminado</i>	<i>n</i>	mine roller
<i>rodillos</i>	<i>n</i> [count]	rollers
<i>rogar, mendigar</i>	<i>vi</i>	beg
<i>rollo, bobina</i>	<i>n</i>	reel, spool
<i>rompan filas [orden cerrado]</i>	<i>phr</i>	fall out
<i>rompedor, explosivo rompedor</i>	<i>n</i>	high explosive (HE)
<i>romper el combate</i>	<i>v</i>	disengage
<i>romper filas, salir de formación</i>	<i>vi</i>	fall out
<i>rompimiento de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	disengagement
<i>ropa</i>	<i>n</i>	clothing [uncount]
<i>ropa de intemperie</i>	<i>n</i>	wet weather gear, Gore-Tex (BrE) [uncount]
<i>ropa de repuesto</i>	<i>n</i>	spare clothing
<i>ropa interior</i>	<i>n</i>	underclothes [plural], underwear [uncount]
<i>ropa, prendas</i>	<i>n</i>	gear [uncount]
<i>ro-ro</i>	<i>adj</i>	roll-on roll-off (ro-ro)
<i>ros</i>	<i>n</i>	shako
<i>rotar</i>	<i>vi</i>	spin [past+pp spun]
<i>rueda motriz, rueda propulsora</i>	<i>n</i>	drive sprocket
<i>rueda propulsora, rueda motriz</i>	<i>n</i>	drive sprocket
<i>rueda tensora</i>	<i>n</i>	idler
<i>ruedas de marcha</i>	<i>n</i> [count]	road wheels
<i>ruido estático</i>	<i>n</i>	static noise
<i>rutot, caravana, tráiler (AmL)</i>	<i>n</i>	caravan (BrE)
<i>rumbo, dirección</i>	<i>n</i>	bearing, magnetic bearing (BrE), magnetic azimuth (AmE), heading
<i>ruptura</i>	<i>n</i>	breakthrough, penetration, rupture
<i>ruta</i>	<i>n</i>	route (RTE)
<i>ruta alterna de abastecimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	auxiliary supply route (ASR)
<i>ruta controlada</i>	<i>n</i>	controlled route
<i>ruta principal de suministros</i>	<i>n</i>	main supply route (MSR)

S

<i>sable</i>	<i>n</i>	saber (AmE), sabre (BrE)
<i>sabotaje</i>	<i>n</i> [uncount]	sabotage
<i>sacar</i>	<i>vt</i>	draw [past drew, pp drawn]
<i>sacar brillo</i>	<i>vt</i>	polish
<i>sacar, exfiltrar</i>	<i>v</i>	exfiltrate
<i>saco de arena, saco terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	sandbag
<i>saco de dormir</i>	<i>n</i>	sleeping bag
<i>sacudir</i>	<i>vi</i>	jar, jolt
<i>sala, comedor, club o pabellón de oficiales</i>	<i>n</i>	officers' mess
<i>sala, comedor, club o pabellón de suboficiales</i>	<i>n</i>	NCOs' mess, sergeants' mess
<i>salida [puerta]</i>	<i>n</i>	exit
<i>salida de emergencia</i>	<i>n</i>	emergency exit
<i>salida, partida</i>	<i>n</i>	departure
<i>salida, resultados, propuestas</i>	<i>n</i>	output

<i>saliente, no estar de servicio, no estar de guardia</i>	<i>adj phr</i>	be off duty
<i>salir de formación, romper filas</i>	<i>v phr</i>	fall out
<i>salir, abandonar, dejar</i>	<i>v</i>	leave [past+pp left]
<i>salto</i>	<i>n</i>	bound
<i>salto aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air assault
<i>salto con paracaídas</i>	<i>n</i>	parachute jump
<i>salto de frecuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	frequency hopping (FH)
<i>salto paracaidista, lanzamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	drop
<i>saludar (militarmente)</i>	<i>v</i>	salute
<i>saludo (militar)</i>	<i>n</i>	salute
<i>salva</i>	<i>n</i>	salvo
<i>salva (de ordenanza)</i>	<i>n</i>	salute
<i>salva de 21 cañonazos</i>	<i>n</i>	21-gun salute
<i>salva, disparo / cartucho de fogeo</i>	<i>n</i>	blank round
<i>salvar, sortear</i>	<i>vt</i>	circumvent
<i>sangrar</i>	<i>vi</i>	bleed
<i>sangre</i>	<i>n</i>	blood
<i>sanitario, paramédico</i>	<i>n</i>	medic
<i>sanitario, personal sanitario, personal paramédico, paramédico</i>	<i>n</i>	medic
<i>saquete de carga</i>	<i>n</i>	bag charge
<i>sargento</i>	<i>n</i>	staff sergeant
<i>sargento instructor</i>	<i>n</i>	drill sergeant (AmE)
<i>sargento primero, sargento 1º</i>	<i>n</i>	sergeant first class
<i>satélite</i>	<i>n</i>	satellite
<i>sección</i>	<i>n</i>	platoon (pl^t AmE) (pl^l BrE)
<i>sección (de caballería)</i>	<i>n</i>	troop (tp) (BrE)
<i>sección de armas de apoyo</i>	<i>n</i>	weapons platoon
<i>sección de ingenieros</i>	<i>n</i>	engineer platoon
<i>sección de refuerzo con zapadores anfíbios</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious engineer augmentation platoon
<i>sección de transporte</i>	<i>n</i>	transportation platoon
<i>sección de zapadores acorazado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored engineer platoon (AmE) armoured engineer platoon (BrE)
<i>sector</i>	<i>n</i>	sector
<i>sector de tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	field of fire (F of F), sector of fire
<i>sector frontal</i>	<i>n</i>	frontal arc
<i>secuencia</i>	<i>n</i>	sequence
<i>secuestrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	kidnap
<i>secuestro</i>	<i>n</i>	kidnap
<i>sedal</i>	<i>n</i>	fishing line
<i>seguidor óptico</i>	<i>n</i>	optical tracker
<i>seguimiento (observación)</i>	<i>n</i>	tracking
<i>seguimiento, continuación</i>	<i>n</i>	follow up
<i>segunda guerra mundial</i>	<i>n</i>	The Second World War (WWII, WW2)
<i>segundo escalón</i>	<i>n</i>	follow-on echelon
<i>segundo escalón de ataque</i>	<i>n</i>	assault follow-on echelon
<i>segundo jefe</i>	<i>n</i>	second in command (2ic), deputy, deputy commander
<i>seguridad</i>	<i>n</i>	security

<i>seguridad de flancos</i>	<i>n</i>	flank guard
<i>seguridad de la información</i>	<i>n</i>	electronic information security (INFOSEC)
<i>seguridad de las comunicaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	communications security (COMSEC)
<i>seguridad de operaciones</i>	<i>n</i>	operations security (OPSEC)
<i>seguridad de zona</i>	<i>n</i>	area security
<i>seguridad informática</i>	<i>n</i>	computer security (COMPUSEC)
<i>seguro</i>	<i>adj</i>	safe [<i>no peligroso</i>], secure [<i>no abierto</i>]
<i>selección</i>	<i>n</i>	screening
<i>selectividad</i>	<i>n</i>	selectivity
<i>selector, palanca selectora [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>n</i>	selector switch, selector lever
<i>sellar</i>	<i>vt</i>	stamp
<i>sello (de correos)</i>	<i>n</i>	stamp, postage stamp
<i>sello (oficial)</i>	<i>n</i>	stamp
<i>sello fechador</i>	<i>n</i>	date stamp
<i>semi</i>	<i>prefix</i>	semi-, half-
<i>semiautomático [armas de fuego]</i>	<i>adj</i>	semiautomatic
<i>semicargada [armas]</i>	<i>adj</i>	half-loaded
<i>semidesierto</i>	<i>adj</i>	semidesert
<i>semirremolque</i>	<i>n</i>	flatbed trailer
<i>senda, sendero</i>	<i>n</i>	path, footpath
<i>sendero, senda</i>	<i>n</i>	footpath, path
<i>sensor infrarrojo de movimiento</i>	<i>n</i>	infrared motion sensor
<i>sensor, detector</i>	<i>n</i>	sensor
<i>sentar, quedar bien o favorecer a alguien (una prenda)</i>	<i>vt</i>	suit
<i>sentido contrario a las agujas del reloj, en sentido contrario a las agujas del reloj, sinextrorsum</i>	<i>adj</i>	counterclockwise (AmE), anticlockwise (BrE)
<i>sentido de las agujas del reloj, en el sentido de las agujas del reloj, dextrorsum</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	clockwise
<i>señal de peligro</i>	<i>n</i>	warning sign
<i>señal de socorro</i>	<i>n</i>	distress signal, flare beacon
<i>señal de tráfico</i>	<i>n</i>	road sign
<i>señal reveladora</i>	<i>n</i>	tell-tale sign
<i>señaladores, exploradores</i>	<i>n</i>	pathfinders
<i>señor</i>	<i>n</i>	sir
<i>señora</i>	<i>n</i>	ma'am
<i>señuelo</i>	<i>n</i>	decoy
<i>separación, dispersión</i>	<i>n</i>	dispersion
<i>ser destinado</i>	<i>adj phr</i>	be assigned to / as [<i>passive</i>]
<i>ser militar</i>	<i>adj</i>	be in the military
<i>servicio</i>	<i>n</i>	service [<i>uncount</i>]
<i>servicio activo</i>	<i>n</i>	active duty
<i>servicio británico de inteligencia externa</i>	<i>n</i>	The Secret Intelligence Service (SIS), MI6 (BrE)
<i>servicio británico de inteligencia interna</i>	<i>n</i>	The Security Service, MI5 (BrE)
<i>servicio de apoyo al combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat service support (CSO)

<i>servicio de cocina</i>	<i>n</i>	kitchen police
<i>servicio de guardia, guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	guard duty
<i>servicio de mantenimiento, (antiguo) servicio de artillería</i>	<i>n</i>	ordnance
<i>servicio militar obligatorio</i>	<i>n</i>	conscription
<i>servicio temporal</i>	<i>n</i>	temporary duty (TDY)
<i>servicio, guardia</i>	<i>n</i>	duty
<i>servidor</i>	<i>n</i>	server
<i>servir en el ejército (de tierra)</i>	<i>vt</i>	serve in the army
<i>shemag</i>	<i>n</i>	shemagh (BrE), keffiyeh
<i>siembra minas</i>	<i>n</i>	mine layer
<i>sierra (de cortar)</i>	<i>n</i>	saw
<i>signos vitales (de vida)</i>	<i>n</i>	vital signs (vitals)
<i>signos vitales (de vida) ausentes, muerto</i>	<i>phr</i>	vital signs absent (VSA)
<i>silbato, pito</i>	<i>n</i>	whistle
<i>silbido</i>	<i>n</i>	whistle
<i>silencio radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio silence
<i>silueta (blanco para tiro de armas ligeras)</i>	<i>n</i>	silhouette target
<i>simplex</i>	<i>adj</i>	simplex operation, half- semi-duplex operation
<i>simulación de propias emisiones para confundir al enemigo</i>	<i>n</i>	simulative electronic deception
<i>simulacro, ensayo, prueba en vacío, prueba</i>	<i>n</i>	dry run, dummy run (BrE), trial run
<i>sin blindaje, sin blindar</i>	<i>adj</i>	non-armored (AmE) non-armoured (BrE)
<i>sin fuego real, fuego simulado</i>	<i>adj</i>	dry- fire
<i>sin novedades</i>	<i>phr</i>	nothing to report (NTR)
<i>sin retroceso</i>	<i>adj</i>	recoilless
<i>sinagoga</i>	<i>n</i>	synagogue
<i>sinextrorsum, en sentido contrario a las agujas del reloj</i>	<i>adv adj</i>	counterclockwise (AmE), anticlockwise (BrE)
<i>sintonización</i>	<i>n</i>	tuning
<i>sistema de alimentación</i>	<i>n</i>	feeding method
<i>sistema de cámara</i>	<i>n</i>	prechamber system
<i>sistema de cierre</i>	<i>n</i>	breech
<i>sistema de comunicación</i>	<i>n</i>	communication system
<i>sistema de control del tiro</i>	<i>n</i>	fire control system
<i>sistema de encendido doble</i>	<i>n</i>	dual firing system
<i>sistema de enganche de escalera</i>	<i>n</i>	pouch attachment ladder system (PALS)
<i>sistema de tendido mecánico [minas]</i>	<i>n</i>	mechanical mine-laying system
<i>sistema óptico de punto rojo</i>	<i>n</i>	red-dot reflex sight
<i>sistema radio de canal único</i>	<i>n</i>	single-channel ground-and-airborne radio system (SINCARS)
<i>sistemas de comunicaciones e información</i>	<i>n</i>	communications and information systems (CIS)
<i>situación, posición</i>	<i>n</i>	location
<i>sobrevivir para operar</i>	<i>n</i>	survive to operate (STO)
<i>software para radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio software
<i>solapa</i>	<i>n</i>	lapel

<i>soldado</i>	<i>n</i>	private (pte)
<i>soldado (de caballería)</i>	<i>n</i>	trooper (Tpr)
<i>soldado (de operaciones especiales), comando</i>	<i>n</i>	navy seal (AmE), commando (BrE)
<i>soldado (de transmisiones)</i>	<i>n</i>	signalman
<i>soldado (del cuerpo de ingenieros), zapador</i>	<i>n</i>	sapper (BrE)
<i>soldado (estadounidense)</i>	<i>n</i>	GI [informl]
<i>soldado de primera</i>	<i>n</i>	private first class (Pfc.) (AmE), lance corporal (BrE)
<i>soldado nuevo</i>	<i>n</i>	recruit, new recruit
<i>soldados fuertemente armados</i>	<i>n</i>	heavily armed troops [plural]
<i>solicitar apoyo aéreo</i>	<i>v phr</i>	call in air support
<i>solicitar, pedir</i>	<i>vt</i>	request
<i>solicitud, petición</i>	<i>n</i>	request
<i>soltar, aflojar</i>	<i>v</i>	loosen
<i>sombrero</i>	<i>n</i>	hat
<i>sombrero del uniforme de paseo femenino</i>	<i>n</i>	service hat (AmE)
<i>someterse a un peligro</i>	<i>phr</i>	run the gauntlet
<i>soportar, resistir, aguantar</i>	<i>vt</i>	withstand
<i>soporte del cierre</i>	<i>n</i>	bolt carrier
<i>sorpesa</i>	<i>n</i>	surprise
<i>sortear, salvar</i>	<i>vt</i>	circumvent
<i>sostener (una posición)</i>	<i>vt</i>	hold (a position)
<i>sostenido</i>	<i>adj</i>	sustained
<i>sótano</i>	<i>n</i>	basement
<i>soy militar</i>	<i>phr</i>	I'm in the military, I'm military
<i>sqelch, supresor de ruidos</i>	<i>n</i>	sqelch
<i>subfusil, metralleta</i>	<i>n</i>	submachinegun (AmE) sub-machinegun (BrE)
<i>submuniciones</i>	<i>n</i>	submunition (AmE) sub-munition (BrE)
<i>suboficial</i>	<i>n</i>	noncommissioned officer (NCO) n (AmE) non-commissioned officer (BrE)
<i>suboficial mayor</i>	<i>n</i>	command sergeant
<i>suboficial superior [del EA de los EEUU]</i>	<i>n</i>	chief master sergeant
<i>suboficiales y clases de tropa y marinería</i>	<i>n</i>	enlisted personnel (AmE)
<i>subscriber</i>	<i>n</i>	subscriber
<i>subteniente, "sargento mayor"</i>	<i>n</i>	sergeant major
<i>subversión</i>	<i>n</i>	subversion
<i>sudadera</i>	<i>n</i>	sweat shirt
<i>sudeste</i>	<i>n</i>	south-east
<i>suelo impermeable [de una tienda de campaña]</i>	<i>n</i>	groundsheet, groundcloth
<i>suelo, terreno</i>	<i>n</i>	ground, terrain
<i>suelto, flojo</i>	<i>adj</i>	loose
<i>suicidio</i>	<i>n</i>	suicide
<i>sumergido, subacuático, submarino</i>	<i>adj adv</i>	underwater
<i>suministrar</i>	<i>vt</i>	supply
<i>suministros</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	supplies
<i>superioridad aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air superiority

<i>superioridad de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	fire superiority
<i>superponible de planos</i>	<i>n</i>	map overlay
<i>supremacía aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	air supremacy
<i>supresión</i>	<i>n</i>	suppression
<i>supresor de ruidos, squelch</i>	<i>n</i>	squelch
<i>suprimir</i>	<i>vt</i>	suppress
<i>sustancia vesicante</i>	<i>n</i>	blistering agent

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<i>táctica</i>	<i>n</i>	tactic
<i>tácticas, técnicas y procedimientos, TTP</i>	<i>n</i>	tactics, techniques and procedures (TTP)
<i>táctico</i>	<i>adj</i>	tactical
<i>tajea, zanja de drenaje [cuneta], alcantarilla</i>	<i>n</i>	culvert
<i>tala</i>	<i>n</i>	abatis
<i>talla</i>	<i>n</i>	size
<i>taller</i>	<i>n</i>	workshop
<i>talud, berma</i>	<i>n</i>	berm
<i>tanque</i>	<i>n</i>	tanker
<i>tapa (de bolsillo)</i>	<i>n</i>	pocket flap
<i>tapa de acceso, tapa de registro</i>	<i>n</i>	manhole cover
<i>taquilla</i>	<i>n</i>	locker
<i>tarea ardua</i>	<i>n</i>	undertaking
<i>tarea, deberes</i>	<i>n</i>	assignment
<i>tarjeta de identificación personal (TIP)</i>	<i>n</i>	identity card (ID card)
<i>tecnologías de la información y comunicación (TIC)</i>	<i>n</i>	communication and information technology (CIT)
<i>tejido antidesgarro</i>	<i>n</i>	ripstop [uncount], ripstop nylon
<i>tejido antidesgarro, de tejido antidesgarro, antidesgarro</i>	<i>adj</i>	ripstop
<i>tejido, tela</i>	<i>n</i>	cloth, fabric, material [uncount]
<i>tela de pantalón vaquero</i>	<i>n adj</i>	denim [uncount]
<i>tela, tejido</i>	<i>n</i>	cloth, fabric, material [uncount]
<i>teléfono alámbrico</i>	<i>n</i>	wire telegraph
<i>teléfono inalámbrico</i>	<i>n</i>	cordless phone
<i>teléfono móvil</i>	<i>n</i>	cell phone (AmE), mobile phone (BrE)
<i>telémetro</i>	<i>n</i>	rangefinder
<i>telémetro láser</i>	<i>n</i>	laser range finder
<i>temporizador</i>	<i>n</i>	timer
<i>temporizador de lavadora</i>	<i>n</i>	washing machine timer
<i>tender un campo de minas</i>	<i>v phr</i>	emplace a minefield
<i>tender una mina, colocar una mina</i>	<i>v phr</i>	lay a mine
<i>tendido (de minas) sin ley de formación</i>	<i>n</i>	random mine laying
<i>tendido a mano [minas]</i>	<i>adj</i>	hand-laid
<i>tener la iniciativa</i>	<i>v phr</i>	take the initiative
<i>teniente</i>	<i>n</i>	first lieutenant (1Lt)

<i>teniente coronel</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant colonel (LTC, Lt Col)
<i>teniente de navío, teniente, alférez (solo para dirigirse)</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant (Lt)
<i>teniente general</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant general, three-star general
<i>teniente, teniente de navío, alférez (solo para dirigirse)</i>	<i>n</i>	lieutenant (Lt)
<i>tensión eléctrica, voltaje</i>	<i>n</i>	voltage
<i>teodolito [topografía]</i>	<i>n</i>	theodolite
<i>terminal satélite</i>	<i>n</i>	satellite terminal
<i>terraplén</i>	<i>n</i>	embankment
<i>terraplén, muralla</i>	<i>n</i>	rampart [archaic]
<i>terreno</i>	<i>n</i> [uncount]	terrain
<i>terreno abrupto, terreno accidentado</i>	<i>n</i>	rough terrain, rugged terrain
<i>terreno accidentado, con pendientes</i>	<i>n</i>	hilly terrain, hilly ground
<i>terreno accidentado, terreno quebrado</i>	<i>n</i>	broken terrain, broken ground
<i>terreno arbolado, terreno boscoso</i>	<i>n</i>	wooded terrain, forested terrain
<i>terreno arenoso</i>	<i>n</i>	sandy ground
<i>terreno batido</i>	<i>n</i>	fire-swept ground
<i>terreno blando</i>	<i>n</i>	soft ground
<i>terreno boscoso, terreno arbolado</i>	<i>n</i>	forested terrain, wooded terrain
<i>terreno clave</i>	<i>n</i>	key terrain
<i>terreno compacto, terreno firme</i>	<i>n</i>	solid ground, firm ground
<i>terreno compartimentado</i>	<i>n</i>	compartmented terrain
<i>terreno con obstáculos, terreno cubierto</i>	<i>n</i>	close terrain, close ground
<i>terreno con pendientes, terreno accidentado</i>	<i>n</i>	hilly terrain, hilly ground
<i>terreno conquistado, terreno ocupado</i>	<i>n</i>	captured terrain, seized terrain
<i>terreno cubierto, terreno con obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	close terrain, close ground
<i>terreno de fácil tránsito para carros de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	tank-negotiable terrain
<i>terreno descubierto, terreno despejado</i>	<i>n</i>	open ground, coverless terrain
<i>terreno desenfilado</i>	<i>n</i>	defiladed terrain
<i>terreno despejado, sin abrigos, que no ofrece protección</i>	<i>n</i>	open ground, coverless terrain
<i>terreno despejado, terreno descubierto</i>	<i>n</i>	open ground, coverless terrain
<i>terreno despejado, terreno sin vegetación</i>	<i>n</i>	bare terrain
<i>terreno duro, terreno firme, terreno compacto</i>	<i>n</i>	hard ground
<i>terreno elevado</i>	<i>n</i>	high ground
<i>terreno embarrado, terreno fangoso</i>	<i>n</i>	muddy ground
<i>terreno en pendiente</i>	<i>n</i>	sloping ground

<i>terreno escarpado</i>	<i>n</i>	rough ground, rugged ground, scarp terrain
<i>terreno fangoso, terreno embarrado</i>	<i>n</i>	muddy ground
<i>terreno firme, terreno compacto</i>	<i>n</i>	firm ground, solid ground
<i>terreno húmedo, pantano</i>	<i>n</i>	marsh
<i>terreno inaccesible para carros de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	tankproof terrain
<i>terreno intransitable</i>	<i>n</i>	impassable terrain
<i>terreno llano</i>	<i>n</i>	flat terrain, flat ground, even ground
<i>terreno montañoso</i>	<i>n</i>	mountainous terrain
<i>terreno ocupado, terreno conquistado</i>	<i>n</i>	seized terrain, captured terrain
<i>terreno ondulado</i>	<i>n</i>	rolling ground
<i>terreno pantanoso</i>	<i>n</i>	marshy terrain, marshy ground, swampy terrain
<i>terreno quebrado, terreno accidentado</i>	<i>n</i>	broken terrain, broken ground
<i>terreno rocoso</i>	<i>n</i>	rocky ground, rocky terrain
<i>terreno seco</i>	<i>n</i>	dry ground
<i>terreno sin abrigos, terreno despejado, que no ofrece protección</i>	<i>n</i>	coverless terrain, open ground
<i>terreno sin vegetación, terreno despejado</i>	<i>n</i>	bare terrain
<i>terreno transitable</i>	<i>n</i>	passable terrain
<i>terreno vital</i>	<i>n</i>	vital ground
<i>terreno, suelo</i>	<i>n</i>	terrain, ground
<i>territorio liberado</i>	<i>n</i>	liberated terrain
<i>terrorismo</i>	<i>n</i>	terrorism
<i>terrorismo electrónico, ciberterrorismo</i>	<i>n</i>	cyberterrorism
<i>terrorista</i>	<i>n</i>	terrorist
<i>tiempo medio de Greenwich</i>	<i>n</i>	Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
<i>tiempo universal coordinado</i>	<i>n</i>	Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
<i>tienda de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	tent
<i>tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	earth, soil, dirt
<i>tierra arcillosa</i>	<i>n</i>	clay soil
<i>tierra caliza</i>	<i>n</i>	chalk soil
<i>timbre inalámbrico</i>	<i>n</i>	wireless doorbell
<i>timonero</i>	<i>n</i>	quartermaster
<i>tirador</i>	<i>n</i>	shooter
<i>tirador excelente</i>	<i>n [count]</i>	excellent shot
<i>tirador, artillero</i>	<i>n</i>	gunner
<i>tirante, viga</i>	<i>n</i>	stringer
<i>tirantes</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	suspenders (AmE), braces (BrE)
<i>tirarse en paracaídas</i>	<i>v phr</i>	bail out
<i>tirita</i>	<i>n</i>	plaster, sticking plaster (BrE) Band-Aid (AmE)
<i>tiro a tiro</i>	<i>adj</i>	single-shot, one-shot
<i>tiro automático</i>	<i>n</i>	automatic fire
<i>tiro directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct fire
<i>tiro directo, fuego directo</i>	<i>n</i>	direct fire
<i>tiro en eficacia</i>	<i>n</i>	fire for effect (FFE)
<i>tiro indirecto</i>	<i>n</i>	indirect fire

<i>tiro semiautomático</i>	<i>n</i>	semiautomatic fire
<i>tiro, disparo</i>	<i>n</i>	shot [<i>count</i>]
<i>tiro, fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	fire [<i>usu. uncount</i>]
<i>tiroteo desde un vehículo en marcha</i>	<i>n</i>	drive-by shooting
<i>tiroteo, intercambio de disparos</i>	<i>n</i>	firefight
<i>TOA, transporte oruga acorazada, transporte blindado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored personnel carrier (APC) (<i>AmE</i>) armoured personnel carrier (APC) (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>tocar la corneta</i>	<i>n</i>	sound the bugle
<i>toma de tierra</i>	<i>n</i>	ground
<i>tomar nota</i>	<i>v phr</i>	take notes
<i>tonelada</i>	<i>n</i>	ton
<i>tonelada métrica</i>	<i>n</i>	metric ton, tonne
<i>toparse con resistencia</i>	<i>v phr</i>	encounter resistance
<i>toparse con, tropezar</i>	<i>vt</i>	encounter
<i>topografía</i>	<i>n</i>	surveying, topography
<i>topografía artillera</i>	<i>n</i>	artillery survey
<i>toque de asamblea</i>	<i>n</i>	assembly (assy)
<i>toque de llamada a instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	drill call, bugle call
<i>toque de queda</i>	<i>n</i>	curfew
<i>tormenta de arena</i>	<i>n</i>	sand storm
<i>tormenta de polvo</i>	<i>n</i>	dust storm
<i>tornillo (de madera)</i>	<i>n</i>	screw
<i>torniquete [primeros auxilios]</i>	<i>n</i>	tourniquet
<i>toro, carretilla elevadora</i>	<i>n</i>	forklift, forklift truck
<i>torre</i>	<i>n</i>	tower
<i>torre de agua</i>	<i>n</i>	water tower
<i>torre de control</i>	<i>n</i>	air traffic control tower
<i>torrente</i>	<i>n</i>	intermittent stream
<i>torreta</i>	<i>n</i>	turret
<i>trabajo en binomio</i>	<i>n</i>	buddy-buddy system (<i>BrE</i>) buddy team (<i>AmE</i>)
<i>trabajo en prácticas</i>	<i>n</i>	on the job training
<i>trabajos de movimiento de tierras</i>	<i>n</i>	earthworks
<i>tracción a las cuatro ruedas, 4 por 4</i>	<i>n</i>	four by four (4x4)
<i>tractor con empujadora</i>	<i>n</i>	bulldozer
<i>tráfico de armas</i>	<i>n</i>	gunrun
<i>tráiler (AmL), caravana, rulot</i>	<i>n</i>	caravan (<i>BrE</i>)
<i>traílla</i>	<i>n</i>	scraper
<i>traílla de elevación</i>	<i>n</i>	elevating scraper
<i>traílla, niveladora</i>	<i>n</i>	grader
<i>traje de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	protective clothing
<i>traje NBQ</i>	<i>n</i>	NBC suit, noddly suit (<i>BrE</i>) [<i>informl</i>]
<i>tramo, elemento, acotado</i>	<i>n</i>	bay
<i>trampa</i>	<i>n</i>	trap
<i>trampa explosiva, mina trampa</i>	<i>n</i>	booby trap
<i>trampeado</i>	<i>adj</i>	booby-trapped
<i>transbordador</i>	<i>n</i>	ferry
<i>transbordador anfíbio</i>	<i>n</i>	amphibious rig
<i>transceptor, aparato o estación de radio</i>	<i>n</i>	radio set, two-way radio

<i>transferencia de autoridad</i>	<i>n</i>	transfer of authority (TOA)
<i>transmisiones</i>	<i>n [plural]</i>	signals [unidad], communications
<i>transmisor</i>	<i>n</i>	transmitter
<i>transmisor-receptor</i>	<i>n</i>	transceiver
<i>transportado por vía aérea</i>	<i>adj</i>	air-landed
<i>transportador (de ángulos), limbo graduado</i>	<i>n</i>	protractor
<i>transportar por aeronave</i>	<i>vt</i>	airlift
<i>transporte</i>	<i>n</i>	transportation
<i>transporte aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	air movement
<i>transporte aéreo estratégico</i>	<i>n</i>	intertheater airlift, formerly strategic airlift
<i>transporte aéreo, puente aéreo</i>	<i>n</i>	airlift
<i>transporte blindado, transporte oruga acorazada (TOA)</i>	<i>n</i>	armored personnel carrier (APC) (AmE) armoured personnel carrier (APC) (BrE)
<i>transporte estratégico</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic transport
<i>transporte marítimo</i>	<i>n</i>	shiplift
<i>transporte oruga acorazada (TOA), transporte blindado</i>	<i>n</i>	armored personnel carrier (APC) (AmE) armoured personnel carrier (APC) (BrE)
<i>transporte táctico</i>	<i>n</i>	intratheater airlift, formerly theater airlift
<i>trapo</i>	<i>n</i>	cloth
<i>trastornar, perturbar, desorganizar, interrumpir</i>	<i>vt</i>	disrupt
<i>tratado de limitación de armas estratégicas</i>	<i>n</i>	strategic arms limitation treaty (SALT)
<i>tratamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	treatment, (medical) service
<i>tratar a alguien, negociar con alguien</i>	<i>vt</i>	deal with [past+pp dealt]
<i>trayectoria</i>	<i>n</i>	trajectory
<i>tren de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	combat train
<i>tren de fuego</i>	<i>n</i>	explosive train, explosive chain
<i>tren de víveres y bagajes</i>	<i>n</i>	field train, luggage train
<i>triaje, clasificación de bajas</i>	<i>n</i>	triage
<i>tribu nómada</i>	<i>n</i>	nomadic tribe
<i>tribunal de exámenes</i>	<i>n</i>	board of examinations
<i>tribunal, comisión</i>	<i>n</i>	board
<i>trinchas</i>	<i>n</i>	belt suspenders, load-bearing suspenders, LBE suspenders, yoke straps
<i>trinchera, zanja, cuneta</i>	<i>n</i>	trench, ditch
<i>trinitrotolueno (TNT)</i>	<i>n</i>	trinitrotoluene (TNT)
<i>trípode</i>	<i>n</i>	tripod
<i>tripulación</i>	<i>n</i>	crew
<i>tripulación aérea</i>	<i>n</i>	aircrew [count] [plural]
<i>tripulación mínima</i>	<i>n</i>	skeleton crew
<i>tronera, ventanilla, escotilla</i>	<i>n</i>	port, firing port
<i>tropas aerotransportadas, tropas paracaidistas</i>	<i>adj</i>	airborne troops
<i>tropas en combate</i>	<i>n</i>	troops in contact (TIC)
<i>tropas paracaidistas, tropas aerotransportadas</i>	<i>adj</i>	airborne troops
<i>tropas, fuerzas, soldados</i>	<i>n</i>	troops
<i>tropezar, toparse con</i>	<i>vt</i>	encounter
<i>tubería, tubo</i>	<i>n</i>	pipe
<i>tubo de escape</i>	<i>n</i>	exhaust pipe, exhaust outlet

<i>tubo o cañón (de un arma)</i>	<i>n</i>	barrel
<i>tubo, tubería</i>	<i>n</i>	pipe
<i>tumba</i>	<i>n</i>	grave
<i>turbera</i>	<i>n</i>	bog

U

<i>ubicación designada</i>	<i>n</i>	designated location
<i>unidad</i>	<i>n</i>	unit
<i>unidad aerotransportada, unidad paracaidista</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne unit
<i>unidad auxiliar de potencia</i>	<i>n</i>	auxiliary power unit (APU)
<i>unidad base (en una formación)</i>	<i>n</i>	base unit
<i>unidad de apoyo logístico nacional</i>	<i>n</i>	national support element (NSE)
<i>unidad de protección, equipo de protección (de una voladura)</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition guard, destruction guard
<i>unidad de voladura, pelotón de voladura, equipo de voladura</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition firing party, destruction firing party
<i>unidad del tamaño de una compañía, unidad tipo compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	company- sized unit
<i>unidad expedicionaria de Infantería de Marina</i>	<i>n</i>	marine expeditionary unit (MEU) (AmE)
<i>unidad interarmas</i>	<i>n</i>	combat team, combined arms team
<i>unidad mecanizada</i>	<i>n</i>	mechanized unit
<i>unidad operativa</i>	<i>n</i>	operational unit
<i>unidad paracaidista, unidad aerotransportada</i>	<i>n</i>	airborne unit
<i>unidad tipo compañía, unidad del tamaño de una compañía</i>	<i>n</i>	company- sized unit
<i>unidad, arma, cuerpo, sucursal [banco]</i>	<i>n</i>	branch
<i>uniforme</i>	<i>n</i>	uniform
<i>uniforme de campaña, uniforme de instrucción</i>	<i>n</i>	fatigues (AmE), field uniform, utility uniform (AmE), combat uniform, combat fatigue uniform (AmE), army combat uniform (ACU) (AmE), combat soldier 95 (BrE), combat dress (BrE), battle dress, battle dress uniform (BDU) (BrE), working uniform (BrE)
<i>uniforme de diario, uniforme de paseo</i>	<i>n</i>	service uniform (AmE), service dress (SD), number two dress (BrE)
<i>uniforme de educación física</i>	<i>n</i>	physical fitness uniform (PFU) (AmE)
<i>uniforme de etiqueta para actos sociales</i>	<i>n</i>	Army white/blue/black (evening) mess uniform (AmE), mess uniform (BrE)
<i>uniforme de gala</i>	<i>n</i>	full dress, dress uniform
<i>uniforme de gala (de formaciones y actos militares solemnes, bodas etc.)</i>	<i>n</i>	blues, number one dress (BrE)
<i>uniforme de instrucción con corraje y equipo de combate</i>	<i>n</i>	fighting order (BrE)

<i>uniforme de instrucción con correa, equipo de combate y mochila grande</i>	<i>n</i>	marching order (BrE)
<i>uniforme de instrucción para el desierto</i>	<i>n</i>	desert battle dress uniform (DBDU)
<i>uniforme de instrucción, uniforme de campaña</i>	<i>n</i>	fatigues (AmE), field uniform, utility uniform (AmE), combat uniform, combat fatigue uniform (AmE), army combat uniform (ACU) (AmE), combat soldier 95 (BrE), combat dress (BrE), battle dress, battle dress uniform (BDU) (BrE), working uniform (BrE)
<i>uniforme de paseo (azul)</i>	<i>n</i>	army service uniform (ASU) [nuevo] (AmE), army blue service uniform (AmE)
<i>uniforme de paseo (blanco)</i>	<i>n</i>	army white service uniform (AmE)
<i>uniforme de paseo (verde)</i>	<i>n</i>	army green service uniform (AmE)
<i>uniforme de trabajo</i>	<i>n</i>	working uniform (AmE), barrack dress (BrE)
<i>uniforme, constante</i>	<i>adj</i>	uniform
<i>unir, adjuntar</i>	<i>vt</i>	attach
<i>uranio empobrecido</i>	<i>n</i>	depleted uranium
<i>usar un campo de minas</i>	<i>v phr</i>	employ a minefield
<i>usar, emplear</i>	<i>vt</i>	employ
<i>útil de mango corto</i>	<i>n</i>	personal entrenching tool, digging tool
<i>útil, en uso, que puede ser obtenido</i>	<i>adj</i>	available, serviceable
<i>útiles de afeitado</i>	<i>n</i>	shaving kit
<i>utilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	serviceability

V

<i>vadear</i>	<i>vt</i>	ford
<i>vado</i>	<i>n</i>	ford
<i>vaguada</i>	<i>n</i>	draw
<i>vaina, casquillo</i>	<i>n</i>	cartridge case, brass [uncount] [infml]
<i>valentía</i>	<i>n</i>	courage, bravery
<i>valla perimetral</i>	<i>n</i>	perimeter fence
<i>valla protectora, quitamiedos [infml]</i>	<i>n</i>	crash barrier (BrE), guard rail (AmE)
<i>valla, cerca</i>	<i>n</i>	fence
<i>valle</i>	<i>n</i>	valley
<i>valor residual, valor terminal</i>	<i>n</i>	terminal value
<i>valor terminal, valor residual</i>	<i>n</i>	terminal value
<i>valoración de la situación</i>	<i>n</i>	estimate of the situation (EOTS)
<i>vanguardia</i>	<i>n</i>	advance guard
<i>vano de un puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridge span
<i>vano, luz</i>	<i>n</i>	span
<i>VANT, vehículo aéreo no tripulado</i>	<i>n</i>	unmanned or unpiloted aerial vehicle reconnaissance (UAV)
<i>varilla, barra</i>	<i>n</i>	rod
<i>vatio (W)</i>	<i>n</i>	watt (W)
<i>vehículo acorazado ligero</i>	<i>n</i>	light armored vehicle (LAV)
<i>vehículo acorazado y autopropulsado lanzapunte</i>	<i>n</i>	armored vehicle launched bridge (AVLB)

vehículo aéreo no tripulado (VANT)	<i>n</i>	drone, unmanned or unpiloted aerial vehicle (UAV)
vehículo de cadenas, vehículo oruga	<i>n</i>	tracked vehicle
vehículo de combate de caballería	<i>n</i>	cavalry fighting vehicle (CFV)
vehículo de combate de infantería	<i>n</i>	infantry fighting vehicle (IFV)
vehículo de combate de zapadores	<i>n</i>	combat engineer vehicle (CEV)
vehículo de control remoto	<i>n</i>	remote piloted vehicle (RPV)
vehículo de municionamiento	<i>n</i>	ammunition supply vehicle (ASV)
vehículo de recuperación acorazado	<i>n</i>	armored repair and recovery vehicle (ARRV) (<i>AmE</i>), armored recovery vehicle (<i>AmE</i>), armoured recovery vehicle (<i>BrE</i>)
vehículo de remolque, vehículo tractor	<i>n</i>	towing vehicle
vehículo de ruedas	<i>n</i>	wheeled vehicle
vehículo de seguridad blindado	<i>n</i>	armoured security vehicle (ASV)
vehículo lanzaminas	<i>n</i>	mine launcher vehicle
vehículo lanzapuentes	<i>n</i>	automotive bridge launching equipment (ABLE) (<i>BrE</i>)
vehículo levantaminas, equipo levantaminas	<i>n</i>	armored vehicle launched MICLIC (AVLM)
vehículo ligero	<i>n</i>	light vehicle
vehículo oruga, vehículo de cadenas	<i>n</i>	tracked vehicle
vehículo para transporte de tropas	<i>n</i>	troop carrier, troop carrying vehicle (TCV)
vehículo protegido contra minas	<i>n</i>	mine protected vehicle (MPV)
vehículo semioruga	<i>n</i>	half-track
vehículo todo terreno	<i>n</i>	off-road vehicle (ORV)
vehículo tractor, vehículo de remolque	<i>n</i>	towing vehicle
vela	<i>n</i>	candle
velocidad	<i>n</i>	speed, velocity
velocidad de boca, velocidad inicial [arma de fuego]	<i>n</i>	muzzle velocity
velocidad de marcha	<i>n</i>	rank of march
velocidad de pulso electromagnético	<i>n</i>	electromagnetic pulse rate
velocidad inicial, velocidad de boca [arma de fuego]	<i>n</i>	muzzle velocity
velocidad máxima	<i>n</i>	maximum velocity, top speed, max speed
venda	<i>n</i>	bandage
venda (para los ojos)	<i>n</i>	blindfold
venda de campaña	<i>n</i>	field dressing
venda elástica	<i>n</i>	elastic bandage
vendarle los ojos a	<i>vt phr</i>	blindfold
ventana de alimentación, alojamiento del cargador	<i>n</i>	magazine well
ventana de expulsión	<i>n</i>	ejection port

<i>ventanilla, escotilla, tronera</i>	<i>n</i>	port
<i>verifique [proword]</i>	<i>vi vt</i>	verify
<i>versión mejorada del chaleco antifragmentos</i>	<i>n</i>	enhanced combat body armour (ECBA) (BrE)
<i>vértice geodésico</i>	<i>n</i>	geodetic point
<i>vestirse</i>	<i>v</i>	dress, get dressed
<i>vía de tren</i>	<i>n</i>	railroad track (AmE), railway track (BrE)
<i>vía muerta</i>	<i>n</i>	spur track
<i>vicealmirante</i>	<i>n</i>	vice admiral (VADM)
<i>victoria</i>	<i>n</i>	victory
<i>vida activa [minas]</i>	<i>n</i>	laid life
<i>vida civil</i>	<i>n</i>	civvy street
<i>viga de acero</i>	<i>n</i>	steel beam
<i>viga, haz</i>	<i>n</i>	beam
<i>vigilancia</i>	<i>n</i>	surveillance (surv)
<i>vigilancia a larga distancia</i>	<i>n</i>	long-range surveillance (LRS)
<i>vigilancia móvil</i>	<i>n</i>	travelling overwatch (BrE), traveling overwatch (AmE)
<i>vigilancia por saltos</i>	<i>n</i>	bounding overwatch, leapfrogging
<i>vigilar</i>	<i>vt</i>	guard
<i>VIP</i>	<i>n</i>	very important person (VIP)
<i>visado, pasaporte [militar]</i>	<i>n</i>	clearance
<i>visera</i>	<i>n</i>	peak, visor
<i>visor óptico</i>	<i>n</i>	optical sight
<i>visor térmico</i>	<i>n</i>	thermal imager (TI)
<i>visores de adquisición de objetivos</i>	<i>n</i>	target acquisition sights
<i>vista a la izquierda/derecha</i>	<i>n</i>	eyes left/right
<i>vista en explosionado</i>	<i>n</i>	exploded view
<i>vital, imprescindible</i>	<i>adj</i>	vital
<i>vivac</i>	<i>n</i>	bivouac
<i>vivaque</i>	<i>n</i>	basha [infml] (BrE) bivouac
<i>vivaquear</i>	<i>vi</i>	bivouac
<i>voladura</i>	<i>n</i>	demolition, destruction
<i>voladura de puente, destrucción de puente</i>	<i>n</i>	bridge demolition
<i>volar [explosivo]</i>	<i>vt</i>	demolish
<i>voltaje, tensión eléctrica</i>	<i>n</i>	voltage
<i>voltio (V)</i>	<i>n</i>	volt (V)
<i>voluntario</i>	<i>n</i>	charity worker
<i>voz de alto el fuego</i>	<i>vi</i>	cease fire
<i>voz de mando [firmes, descanso, etc.]</i>	<i>n</i>	drill command
<i>voz ejecutiva [en orden cerrado]</i>	<i>n</i>	command of execution
<i>voz preventiva [en orden cerrado]</i>	<i>n</i>	preparatory command
<i>voz tipo</i>	<i>n</i>	procedure word (PROWORD)
<i>vuelo de contorno</i>	<i>n</i>	contour flight
<i>vuelo rasante</i>	<i>n</i>	nap-of-the-earth flight

W X Y

<i>walkie talkie</i>	<i>n</i>	walkie-talkie
<i>yarda</i>	<i>n</i>	yard (yd)

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<i>zagual, pala</i>	<i>n</i>	paddle
<i>zahorra artificial (de machaqueo)</i>	<i>n</i>	crushed rock
<i>zanja de drenaje [cuneta], alcantarilla, tajea</i>	<i>n</i>	culvert
<i>zanja, cuneta, trinchera</i>	<i>n</i>	ditch
<i>zapador</i>	<i>n</i>	sapper
<i>zapapico</i>	<i>n</i>	entrenching tool, E-tool
<i>zapatilla de deporte</i>	<i>n</i>	running shoe, PT shoe, sneaker (AmE), trainer (BrE)
<i>zapato</i>	<i>n</i>	shoe
<i>zona abierta, zona despejada</i>	<i>n</i>	open area
<i>zona avanzada</i>	<i>n</i>	forward area
<i>zona de acción</i>	<i>n</i>	zone of action
<i>zona de aterrizaje</i>	<i>n</i>	landing zone (LZ)
<i>zona de aterrizaje de helicópteros</i>	<i>n</i>	helicopter landing zone (HLZ)
<i>zona de concentración</i>	<i>n</i>	marshalling area
<i>zona de desembarco [aviación]</i>	<i>n</i>	landing area
<i>zona de espera</i>	<i>n</i>	waiting area
<i>zona de estacionamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	staging area
<i>zona de fuego libre</i>	<i>n</i>	free-fire area
<i>zona de influencia</i>	<i>n</i>	area of influence
<i>zona de lanzamiento</i>	<i>n</i>	drop zone (DZ)
<i>zona de maleza</i>	<i>n</i>	brush
<i>zona de objetivos para el apoyo de fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	zone of fire
<i>zona de paso</i>	<i>n</i>	crossing zone, crossing area
<i>zona de protección</i>	<i>n</i>	area of protection
<i>zona de recogida</i>	<i>n</i>	pick-up zone (PZ)
<i>zona de responsabilidad</i>	<i>n</i>	area of responsibility (AOR)
<i>zona de retaguardia</i>	<i>n</i>	rear area
<i>zona de reunión</i>	<i>n</i>	assembly area (AA)
<i>zona de separación</i>	<i>n</i>	buffer zone, zone of separation (ZOS)
<i>zona desmilitarizada</i>	<i>n</i>	demilitarized zone (DMZ) (AmE), demilitarised zone (BrE)
<i>zona despejada, zona abierta</i>	<i>n</i>	open area
<i>zona libre de obstáculos, zona prohibida para obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	obstacle-free area
<i>zona minada</i>	<i>n</i>	mined area
<i>zona muerta</i>	<i>n</i>	dead ground
<i>zona no autorizada</i>	<i>adj</i>	out-of-bounds, off-limits
<i>zona objetivo</i>	<i>n</i>	objective area

<i>zona prohibida para fuegos</i>	<i>n</i>	no-fire area
<i>zona restringida de obstáculos</i>	<i>n</i>	barrier restricted area
<i>zona segura</i>	<i>n</i>	safe area
<i>zona urbanizada</i>	<i>n</i>	built-up area

APPENDIX A: Rank Insignia

Army Ranks















 NATO	 US ARMY			ABBR.	 BRITISH ARMY		 SPAIN
	PAY GRADE	INSIGNIA	RANK		INSIGNIA	RANK	
OF-10	0-11		General of the Army	GOA		Field Marshal	
OF-9	0-10		General	Gen or GEN		General	
OF-8	0-9		Lieutenant General	Lt Gen or LTG		Lieutenant General	
OF-7	0-8		Major General	Maj Gen or MG		Major General	
OF-6	0-7		Brigadier General	Brig Gen or BG		Brigadier (Brig)	
OF-5	0-6		Colonel	Col or COL		Colonel	
OF-4	0-5		Lieutenant Colonel	Lt Col or LTC		Lieutenant Colonel	
OF-3	0-4		Major	Maj or MAJ		Major	
OF-2	0-3		Captain	Capt or CPT		Captain	
OF-1	0-2		First Lieutenant	1Lt		Lieutenant (Lt)	
	0-1		Second Lieutenant	2Lt		Second Lieutenant (2/Lt)	
WARRANT OFFICERS (US ARMY ONLY)							
Warrant Officer 1		Chief Warrant Officer 2		Chief Warrant Officer 3		Chief Warrant Officer 4	

<div>  US ARMY </div>					<div>  NATO </div>	<div>  SPAIN </div>	<div> BRITISH ARMY  </div>	
PAY GRADE	INSIGNIA	ABBR.	RANK				INSIGNIA	RANK
Senior NCOs	E-9		SMA	Command Sergeant Major of the Army	OR9	 		Warrant Officer Class I
	E-9		CSM	Command Sergeant Major				
	E-9		SGM	Sergeant Major				
	E-8		1SG	First Sergeant	OR8			Warrant Officer Class II
	E-8		MSG	Master Sergeant				
Junior NCOs	E-7		SFC	Sergeant First Class	OR7			Staff Sergeant (Colour Sergeant)
	E-6		SSG	Staff Sergeant	OR6			Sergeant (3 years seniority)
	E-5		Sgt	Sergeant	OR5			Sergeant
Lower Enlisted	E-4		Cpl	Corporal	OR4			Corporal
	E-4		SP4	Specialist Four				
	E-3		PFC	Private First Class	OR3			Lance Corporal
	E-2		Pvt	Private	OR2			Private (Classes 1-3)
	E-1	NO INSIGNIA	Pvt	Private	OR1	Sdo. (En formación)		Private (Class 4)

Ranks of the US Armed Forces



































The US **Warrant Officer** ranks, which are in fact not standardized by NATO, are superior to the NATO OR-9 rank, and below NATO OF-1.




















The US **Coast Guard** is a part of the Department of Transportation in peacetime and the Navy in times of war. Coast Guard rank insignia are the same as the Navy except for color and the seaman recruit rank, which has one stripe.

















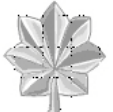







	ARMY		NAVY	MARINES	AIR FORCE
			COAST GUARD		
OR-1	Private		Seaman Recruit (SR)	Private	Airman Basic
OR-2	Private E-2 (PV2) 		Seaman Apprentice (SA) 	Private First Class (PFC) 	Airman (Amn) 
OR-3	Private First Class (PFC) 		Seaman (SN) 	Lance Corporal (LCpl) 	Airman First Class (A1C) 
OR-4	Corporal (CPL) 	Specialist (SPC) 	Petty Officer Third Class (PO3) ** 	Corporal (Cpl) 	Senior Airman (SrA) 




















Key to symbols used for NAVY and COAST GUARD:

- * A specialty mark in the center of a rating badge indicates the wearer's particular rating.
- ** Gold stripes indicate twelve or more years of good conduct.
- *** 1. Master chief petty officer of the Navy and fleet and force master chief petty officers.
2. Command master chief petty officers wear silver stars.
3. Master chief petty officers wear silver stars and silver specialty rating marks.

	ARMY		NAVY		MARINES		AIR FORCE		
			COAST GUARD						
OR-5	Sergeant (SGT) 		Petty Officer Second Class (PO2) ** 		Sergeant (Sgt) 		Staff Sergeant (SSgt) 		
OR-6	Staff Sergeant (SSG) 		Petty Officer First Class (PO1) ** 		Staff Sergeant (SSgt) 		Technical Sergeant (TSgt) 		
OR-7	Sergeant First Class (SFC) 		Chief Petty Officer (CPO) ** 		Gunnery Sergeant (GySgt) 		Master Sergeant (MSGt) 	First Sergeant 	
OR-8	Master Sergeant (MSG) 	First Sergeant (1SG) 	Senior Chief Petty Officer (SCPO) ** 		Master Sergeant (MSGt) 	First Sergeant 	Senior Master Sergeant (SMSgt) 	First Sergeant 	
OR-9	Sergeant Major (SGM) 	Comm and Sergeant Major (CSM) 	Master Chief Petty Officer (MCPO) ** *** 	Fleet/Comm and Master Chief Petty Officer ** *** 	Sergeant Major (SgtMaj) 	Master Gunnery Sergeant (MGySgt) 	Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt) 	First Sergeant 	Comm and Chief Master Sergeant (CCM) 
	Sergeant Major of the Army (SMA) 		Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) and Coast Guard (MCPOCG) ** *** 		Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps (SgtMajMC) 		Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force (CMSAF) 		

	ARMY	NAVY	MARINES	AIR FORCE
		COAST GUARD		
WO-1	Warrant Officer 1 (WO1) 	USN Warrant Officer 1 (WO1) 	Warrant Officer 1 (WO) 	NO WARRANT
WO-2	Chief Warrant Officer 2 (CW2) 	USN Chief Warrant Officer 2 (CWO2)  USCG 	Chief Warrant Officer 2 (CWO2) 	NO WARRANT
WO-3	Chief Warrant Officer 3 (CW3) 	USN Chief Warrant Officer 3 (CWO3)  USCG 	Chief Warrant Officer 3 (CWO3) 	NO WARRANT
WO-4	Chief Warrant Officer 4 (CW4) 	USN Chief Warrant Officer 4 (CWO4)  USCG 	Chief Warrant Officer 4 (CWO4) 	NO WARRANT
WO-5	Chief Warrant Officer (CW5) 	USN Chief Warrant Officer (CWO5) 	Chief Warrant Officer 5 (CWO5) 	NO WARRANT

OF-1	Second Lieutenant (2LT) 	Ensign (ENS) 	Second Lieutenant (2nd Lt.) 	Second Lieutenant (2nd Lt.) 
	First Lieutenant (1LT) 	Lieutenant Junior Grade 	First Lieutenant (1st Lt.) 	First Lieutenant (1st Lt.) 
OF-2	Captain (CPT) 	Lieutenant (LT) 	Captain (Capt.) 	Captain (Capt.) 
	Major (MAJ) 	Lieutenant Commander 	Major (Maj.) 	Major (Maj.) 
OF-4	Lieutenant Colonel (LTC) 	Commander (CDR) 	Lieutenant Colonel (Lt. Col.) 	Lieutenant Colonel (Lt. Col.) 
	Colonel (COL) 	Captain (CAPT) 	Colonel (Col.) 	Colonel (Col.) 
OF-5				

OF-6	Brigadier General (BG) 	Rear Admiral Lower Half 	Brigadier General (Brig. Gen.) 	Brigadier General (Brig. Gen.) 
OF-7	Major General (MG) 	Rear Admiral Upper Half 	Major General (Maj. Gen.) 	Major General (Maj. Gen.) 
OF-8	Lieutenant General (LTG) 	Vice Admiral (VADM) 	Lieutenant General (Lt. Gen.) 	Lieutenant General (Lt. Gen.) 
OF-9	General (GEN) Army Chief of Staff 	Admiral Chief of Naval Operations and Commandant of the Coast Guard 	General (Gen.) Commandant of the Marine Corps 	General (Gen.) Air Force Chief of Staff 
OF-10	General of the Army (wartime only) 	Fleet Admiral (wartime only) 	—	General of the Air Force (wartime only) 

Ranks of the British Armed Forces

British Officers							
Royal Navy		Royal Marines		Army		Royal Air Force	
	Admiral of the Fleet		Field Marshal		Field Marshal		Marshal of the Royal Air Force
	Admiral		General		General		Air Chief Marshal
	Vice-Admiral		Lieutenant General		Lieutenant General		Air Marshal
	Rear Admiral		Major General		Major General		Air Vice-Marshal
	Commodore		Brigadier		Brigadier		Air Commodore
	Captain		Colonel		Colonel		Group Captain
	Commander		Lieutenant Colonel		Lieutenant Colonel		Wing Commander
	Lieutenant-Commander		Major		Major		Squadron Leader
	Lieutenant		Captain		Captain		Flight Lieutenant
	Sub-Lieutenant (but junior to military and air force ranks)		Lieutenant		Lieutenant		Flying Officer
	Midshipman (but junior to military and air force ranks)		Second Lieutenant		Second Lieutenant		Pilot Officer Acting Pilot Officer (but junior to Second-Lieutenant)

NATO

OF-10

OF-9

OF-8

OF-7

OF-6

OF-5


























OF-4

OF-3

OF-2

OF-1

OF-1

British Ratings							
Royal Navy		Royal Marines		Army		Royal Air Force	
	Warrant Officer		Warrant Officer Class 1		Warrant Officer Class 1		Warrant Officer, Master Aircrew, Master Signaller, Master Engineer, Master Air Electronics Operator, Master Air Loadmaster
	Warrant Officer Class 2		Warrant Officer Class 2	 	Warrant Officer Class 2		
	Chief Petty Officer	 	Colour Sergeant For blue dress For lovat dress		Staff Corporal, Staff Sergeant	 	Flight Sergeant, Chief Technician
	Petty Officer		Sergeant		Corporal of Horse, Sergeant		Sergeant
	Leading Rate (but junior to military ranks of corporal and bombardier)		Corporal		Corporal Bombardier		Corporal
			Lance Corporal		Lance Corporal, Lance Bombardier		
	Able Rate Rate Operator Mechanic	Marine		Private (however described): Trooper, Gunner, Sapper, Signalman, Guardsman, Fusilier, Kingsman, Rifleman, Ranger, Airtrooper, Driver, Craftsman		Junior Technician, Senior aircraftsman or woman, Leading aircraftsman or woman, Aircraftsman or woman	

NATO

OR-9

OR-8

OR-7

OR-6/OR-5

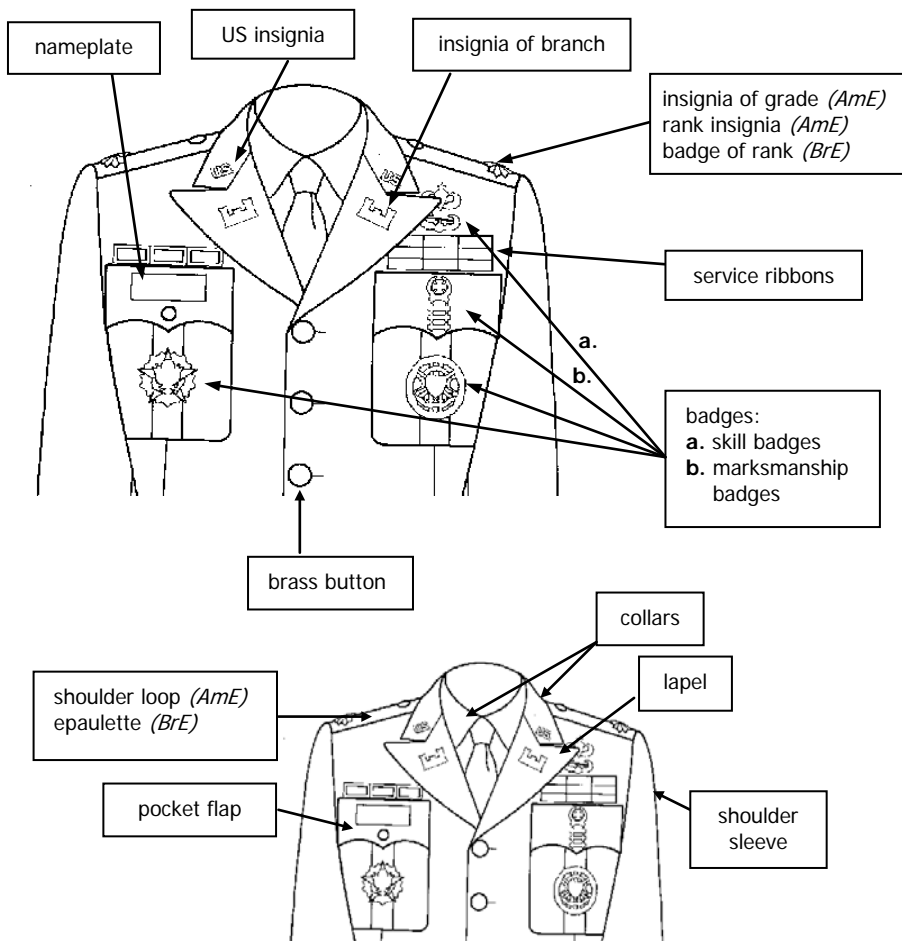
OR-4

OR-3

OR-2
and
OR-1

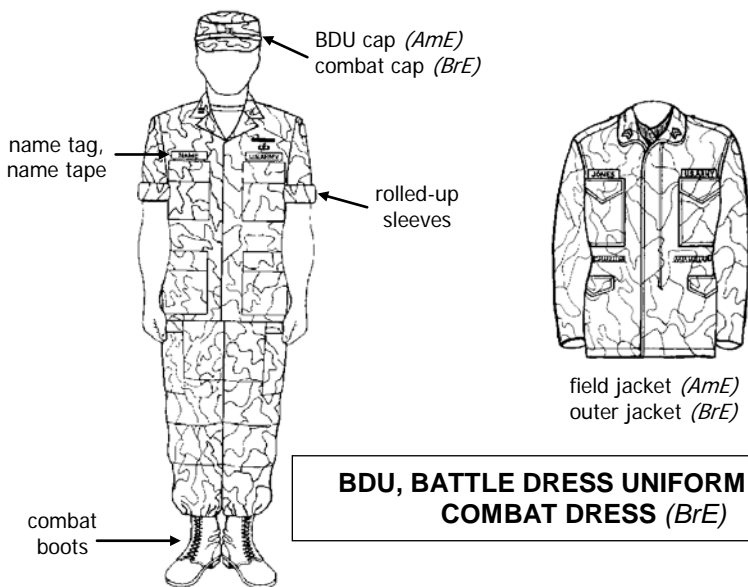
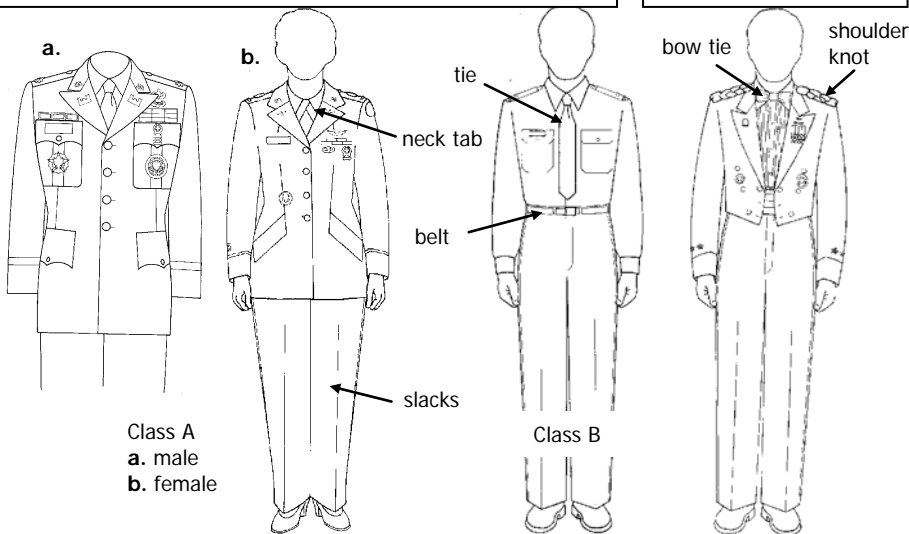
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SERVICE / DRESS JACKET (or SERVICE / DRESS COAT)



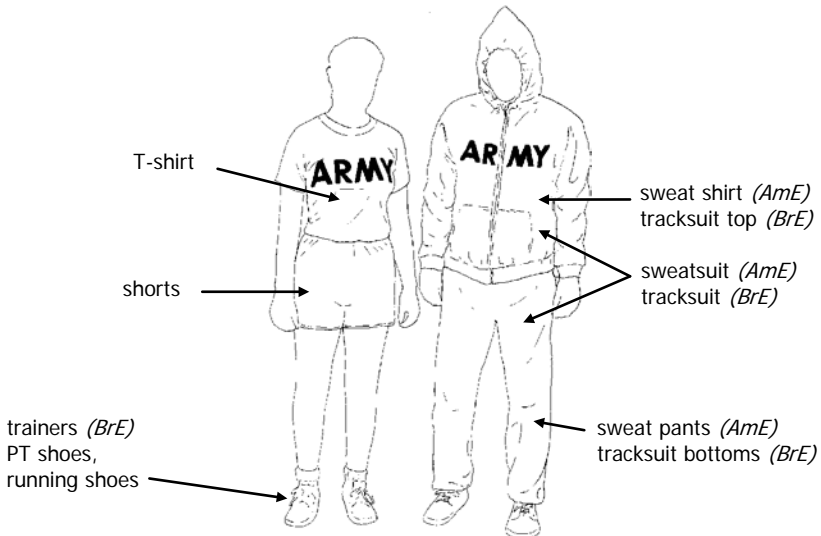
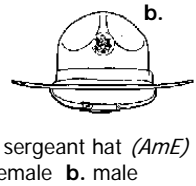
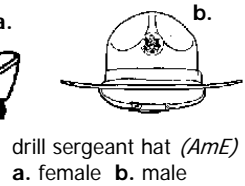
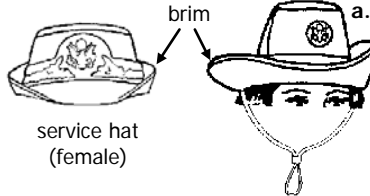
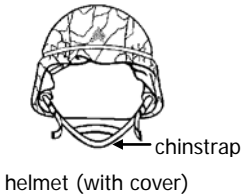
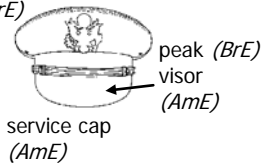
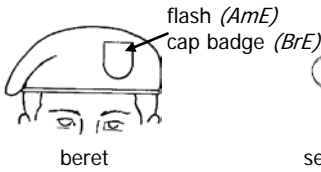
ARMY SERVICE & DRESS UNIFORMS
ARMY SERVICE UNIFORM
ARMY BLUE / WHITE UNIFORM (DRESS)

MESS UNIFORM
(CEREMONIAL
UNIFORM)



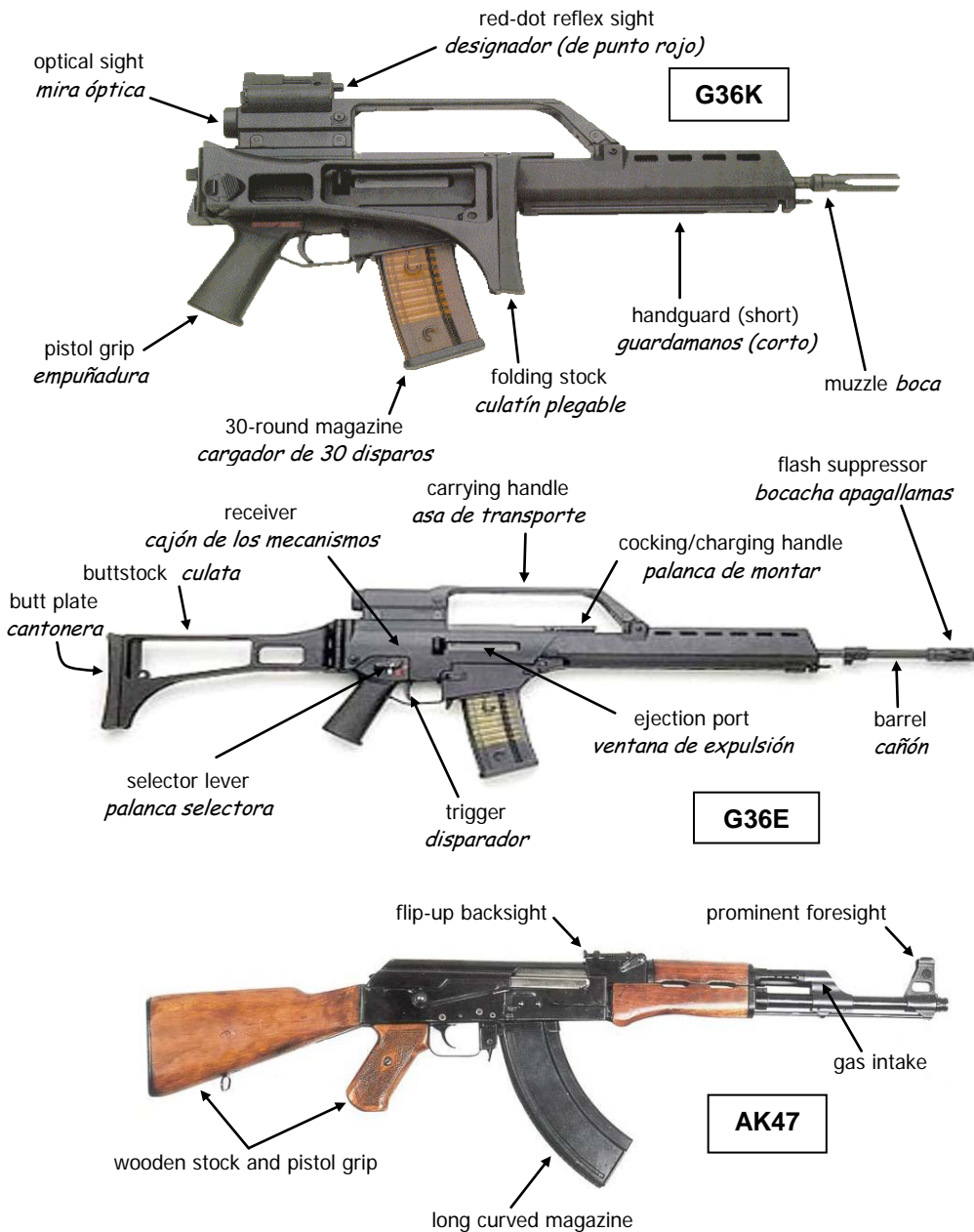
BDU, BATTLE DRESS UNIFORM (*AmE*)
COMBAT DRESS (*BrE*)

HEADGEAR



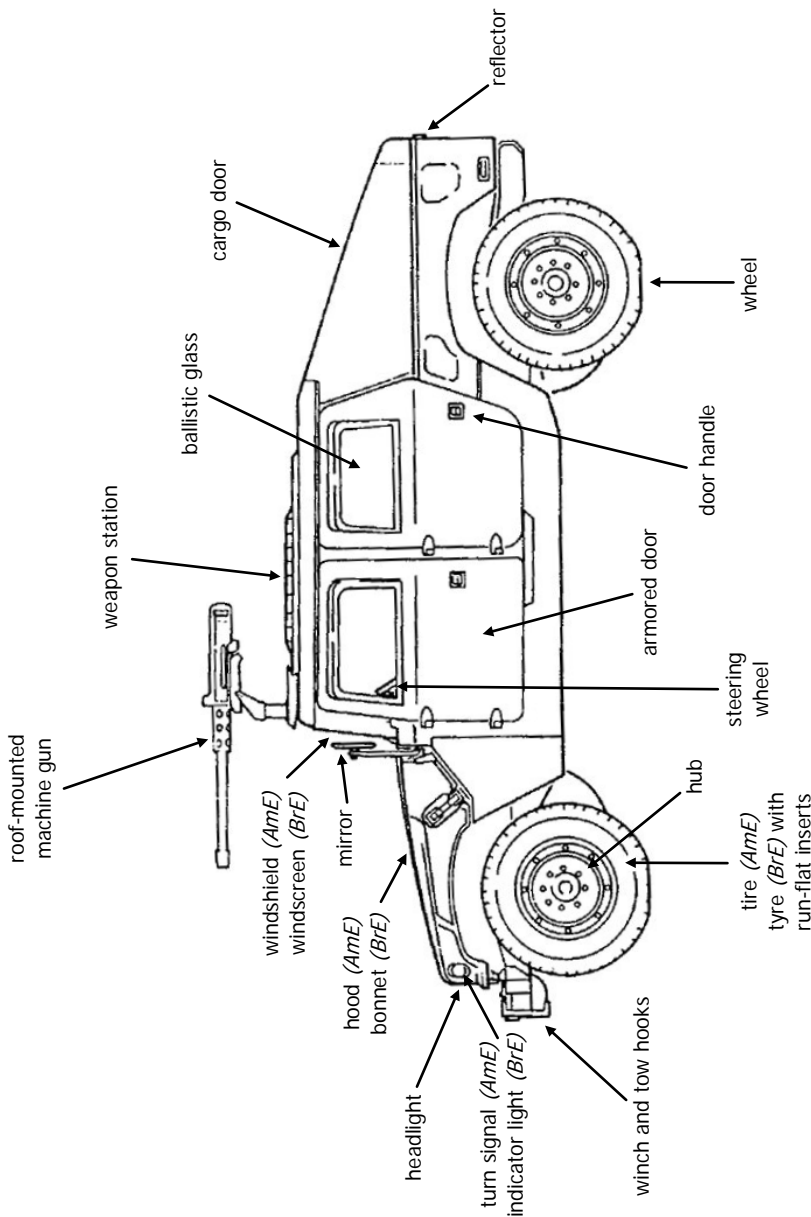
PHYSICAL FITNESS CLOTHING or PHYSICAL TRAINING (PT) CLOTHING

APPENDIX C: The Assault Rifle

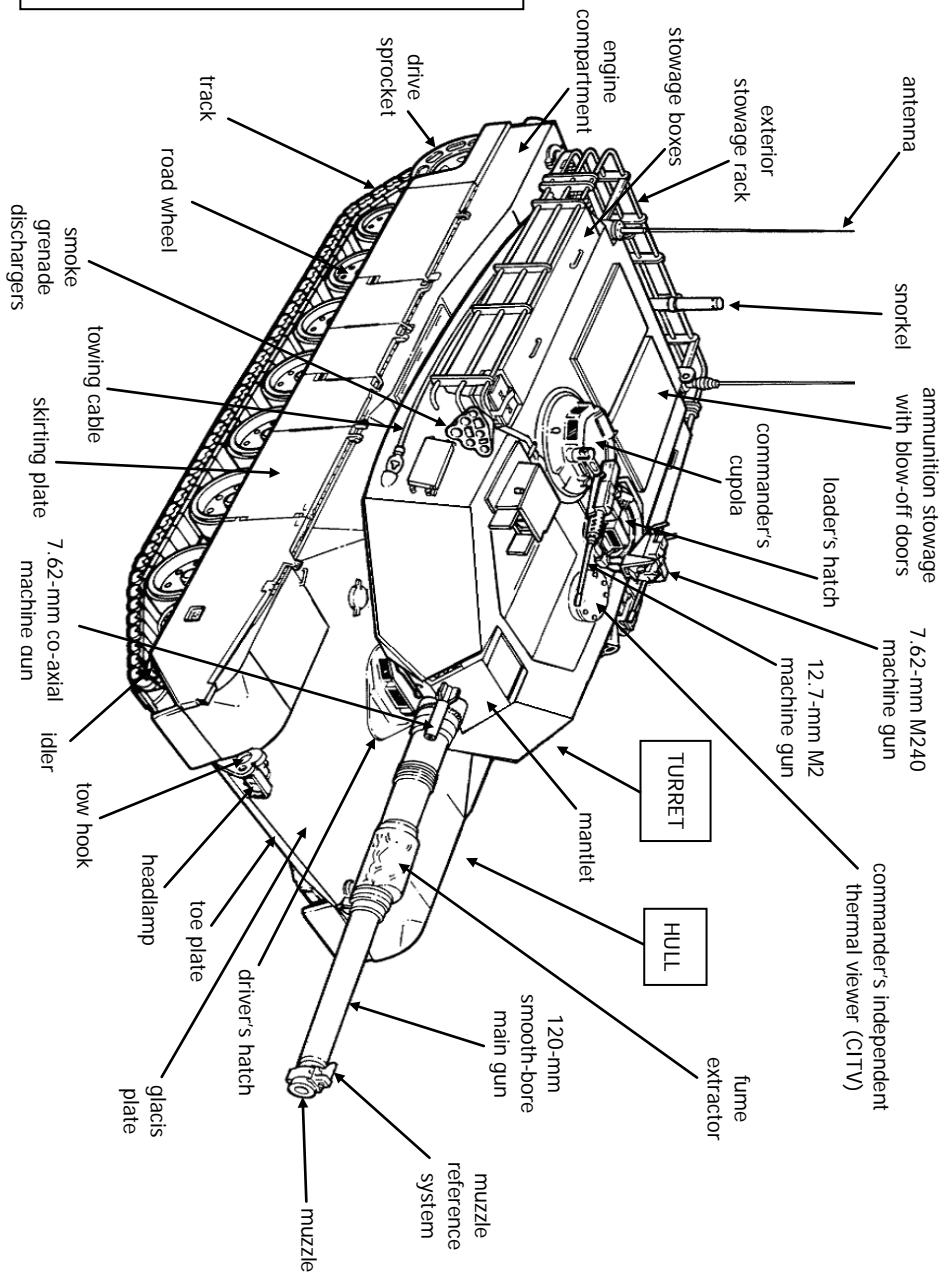


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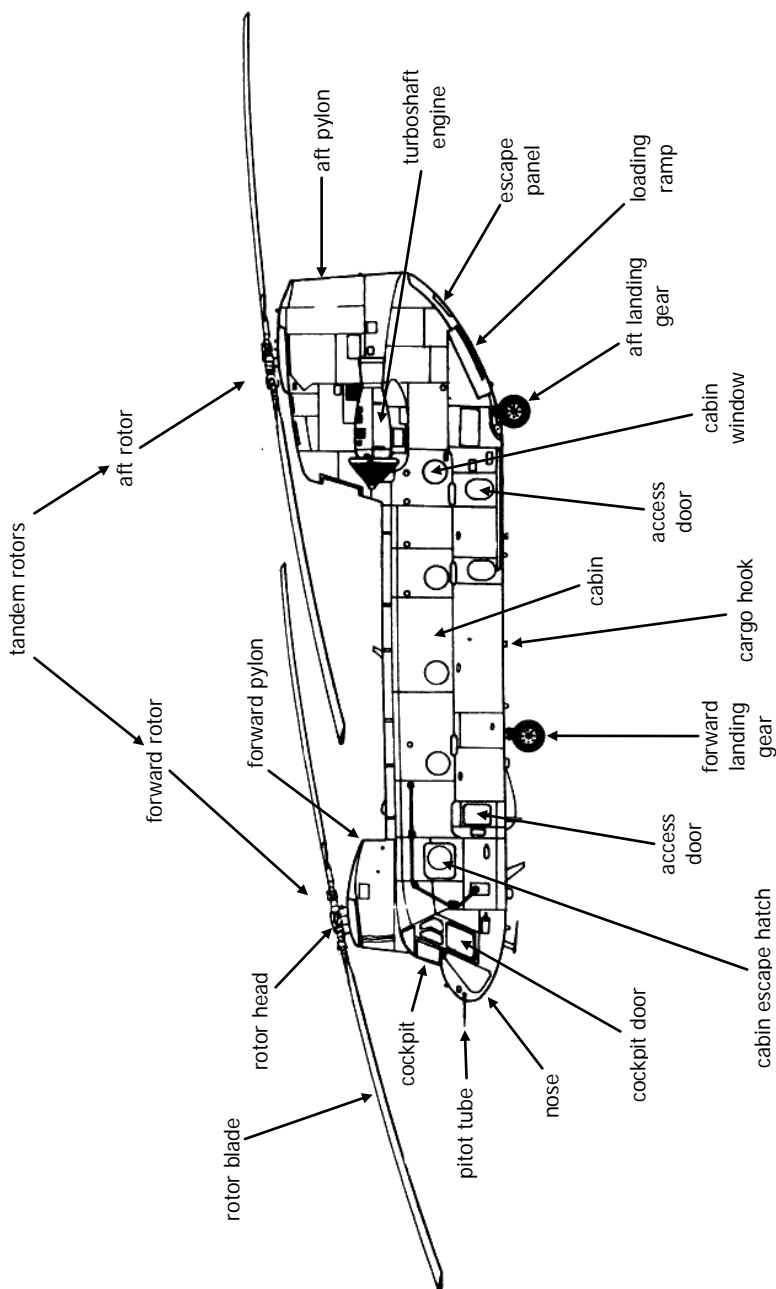
M1114 UP-ARMORED HIGH-MOBILITY MULTIPURPOSE WHEELED VEHICLE (HUMVEE)



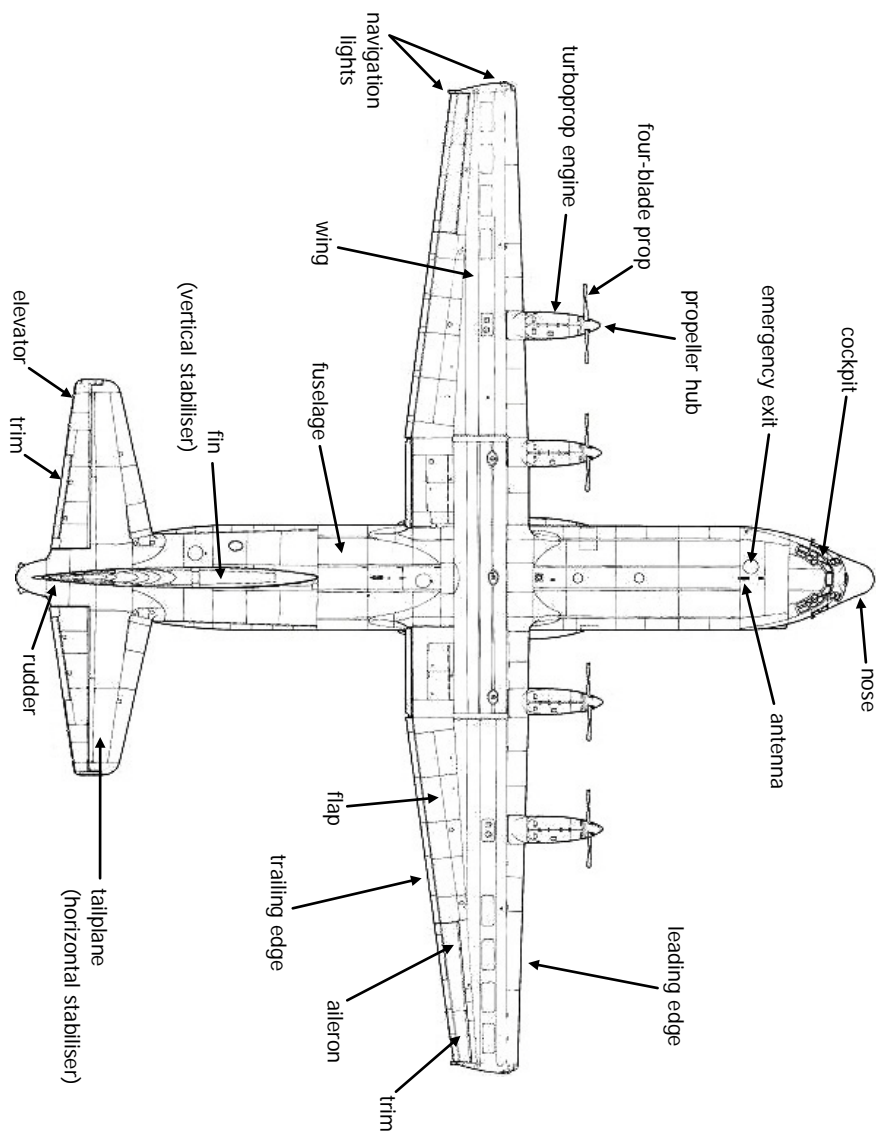
M1A2 ABRAMS MAIN BATTLE TANK



CH-47 CHINOOK TANDEM ROTOR HELICOPTER



C130 HERCULES 4-PROP AEROPLANE



APPENDIX E: Military Symbols

COLOR AND DRAWING CODE

Friendly	= BLUE	= <i>fuerzas propias</i>
Unknown	= YELLOW	= <i>deconocidas</i>
Neutral	= GREEN	= <i>neutrales</i>
Hostile	= RED	= <i>hostiles</i>

PLANNED
(or future)



ACTUAL
(own)



ENEMY
(double line)



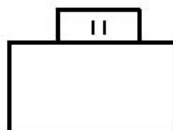
FAKE, PHONEY



UNIT SIZE LOCATION AND STATUS

•	Squad, Team
••	Section
•••	Platoon
I	Company
II	Battalion
III	Regiment, Group
X	Brigade
XX	Division
XXX	Corps
XXXX	Army
XXXXXX	Army Group

If the unit symbol is within a rectangle it indicates combined arms team (task force, battlegroup or company team) In the example a Battalion Task Force:



AIR PORT OF DEBARKATION

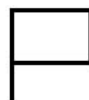


(BRIGADE)

MAIN COMMAND POST



PC, Command Post
(unit location)



[end of pole indicates precise location]

Installation
(point or area)



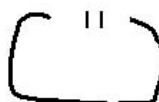
Coordination Point



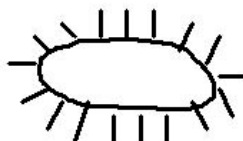
OP, Critical Point
or COMMs









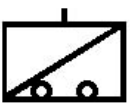







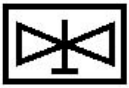
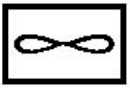

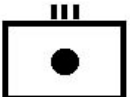
Deployed Unit
(battalion size)

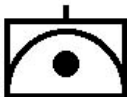



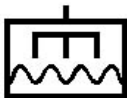


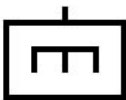
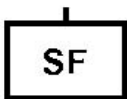

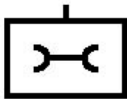
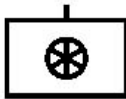
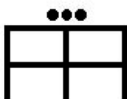



Strong Point



BRANCH - FUNCTION

<p>INFANTRY UNIT TANK UNIT MOTOR RIFLE PLATOON MECHANIZED PLATOON (wheeled)</p>    	<p>CAVALRY UNIT ARMOURED (wheeled) SQUADRON (wheeled) CAVALRY PLATOON (tank)</p>    
<p>COMMAND AND STAFF</p> 	<p>SUPPORT UNIT</p> 
<p>PARATROOPERS</p> 	<p>MOUNTAIN INFANTRY PLATOON</p> 
<p>AIRBORNE COY (non-organic airlift)</p> 	<p>AIRBORNE (organic airlift)</p> 
<p>HELICOPTER UNIT</p> 	<p>ARMY AVIATION</p> 
<p>FIELD ARTILLERY (self-propelled)</p> 	<p>FIELD ARTILLERY PLATOON</p> 

<p>ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY BATTERY</p> 	<p>COASTAL ARTILLERY UNIT</p> 
<p>AIR DEFENCE ARTILLERY (SAM)</p> 	<p>ANTITANK UNIT</p> 
<p>AMPHIBIOUS ENGINEER COY</p> 	<p>SAPPERS COY (armoured, mechanized)</p> 
<p>BRIDGE COY (engineers)</p> 	<p>ENGINEERS-SAPPERS COY</p> 
<p>SPECIAL FORCES</p> 	<p>NBC</p> 
<p>MAINTENANCE COY</p> 	<p>TRANSPORT COY</p> 
<p>MEDICAL PLATOON</p> 	<p>SUPPLY (rations, water, uniforms, etc.)</p> 

VETERINARY



WATER SUPPLY PLATOON



REFUELLING,
PETROL, OIL AND LUBRICANTS



RADAR



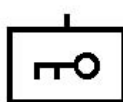
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE



BUDGET AND FINANCE



QUARTERMASTER COY



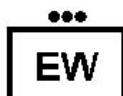
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

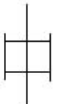


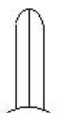



RADIO STATION



ELECTRONIC WARFARE PLATOON



WEAPONS		
<p>Squad Automatic Weapon</p>  <p>Light Gun</p>  <p>Light Howitzer</p> 	<p>Mortar</p>  <p>Medium Gun</p>  <p>Self-Propelled Gun (medium)</p> 	<p>Antitank</p>  <p>Heavy Gun</p>  <p>Air Defense Gun (light)</p> 
<p>Light AT Rocket Launcher</p> 	<p>SAM Missile</p> 	<p>Flamethrower</p> 
VEHICLES		



AVLB (bridge)



ENGINEER TANK



ENGINEER DOZER (wheeled)



NON-ARMoured (tracked)



APC



IFV or TANK



AVLB (bridge)



ENGINEER TANK



ENGINEER DOZER (wheeled)



NON-ARMOURED (tracked)



APC



IFV or TANK



ARMOURED: wheeled
wheeled



halftrack



tracked



NON ARMOURED -
wheeled



LIGHT UTILITY HELICOPTER

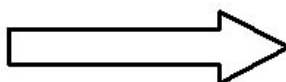


TRANSPORT HELICOPTER (medium & heavy)



MOVEMENT - COORDINATION- TACTICS

AXIS OF ATTACK



MOVEMENT



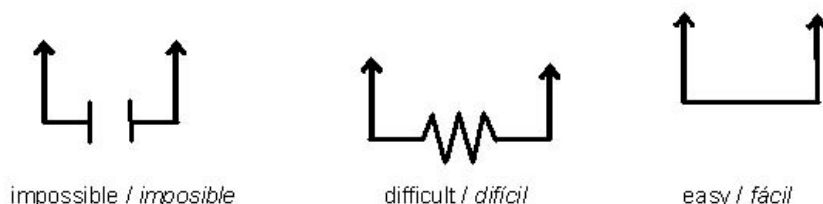
BOUNDARY
(Battalion)

FEBA, Forward Edge of the Battle Area



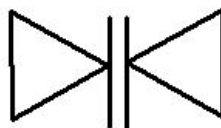
TERRAIN AND INFRASTRUCTURE

BYPASS / ATAJO, DESVIO



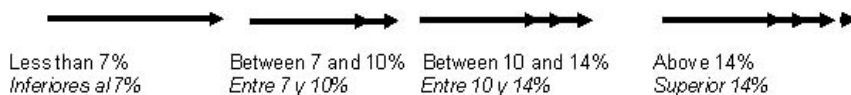
CONSTRICTION / ESTRECHAMIENTO

constriction /
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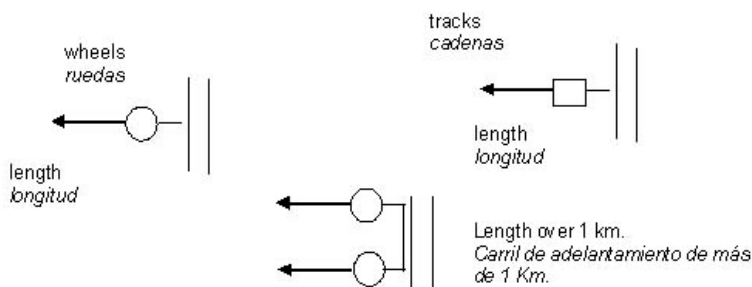


length /
longitud del
estrechamiento

GRADES - SLOPES / PENDIENTES



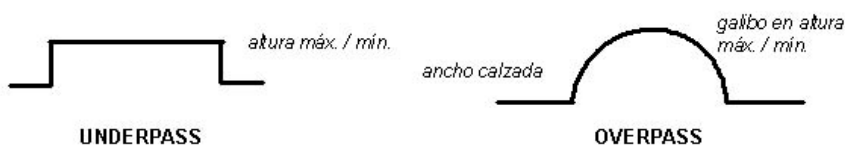
TURNOUTS / ZONAS DE ADELANTAMIENTO



UNDERPASS / PASO INFERIOR

OVERPASS / PASO SUPERIOR

Heights under 4.3 m are considered obstacles



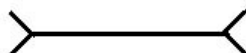
RAILWAY CROSSING / PASO A NIVEL

H = height of the power line /
altura de la catenaria (si existiese)

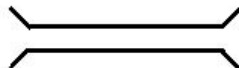


TYPE OF GAP CROSSING, BREACHING / TIPO DE BRECHA

Lane (up to 16 m wide) / *Pasillo*
single is 8m wide, double is 16m



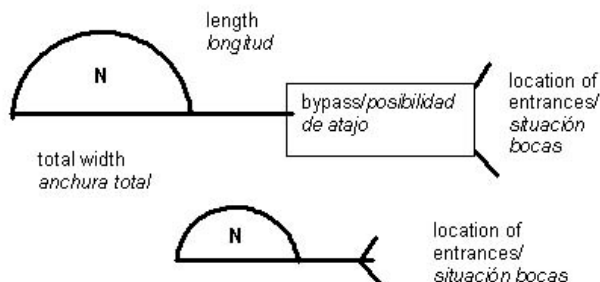
Gap (more than 16 m wide) / *Brecha*
Units can cross in tactical formation



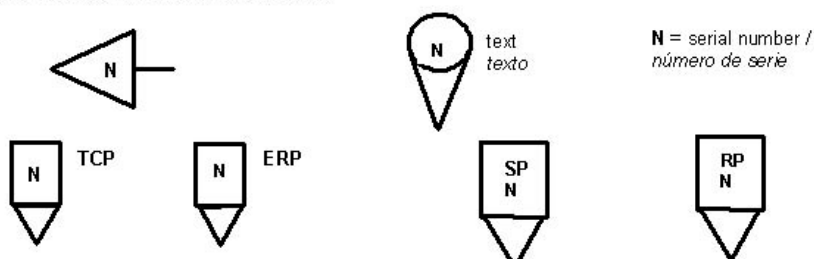
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overhead clearance
galibo altura

Simplified symbol

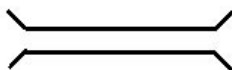


CRITICAL POINT / PUNTO CRÍTICO



TRAFFIC CONTROL POINT / ENGINEER REGULATION POINT / START POINT - RELEASE POINT
 CONTROL DE TRAFICO / PUNTO DE REGULACIÓN/ PUNTO INICIAL - PUNTO DE DISLOCACIÓN

BRIDGE / PUENTE



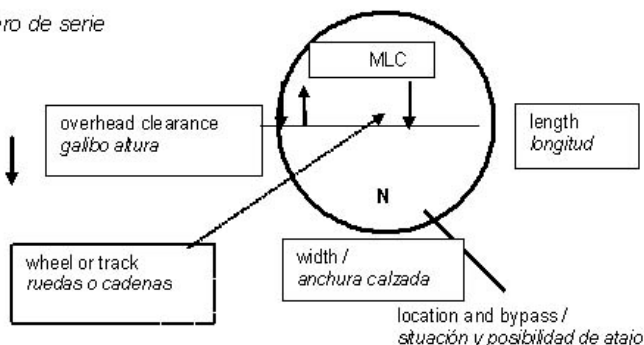
FULL NATO BRIDGE MLC SYMBOL

SÍMBOLO PARA CLASIFICACIÓN DE PUENTE OTAN COMPLETO

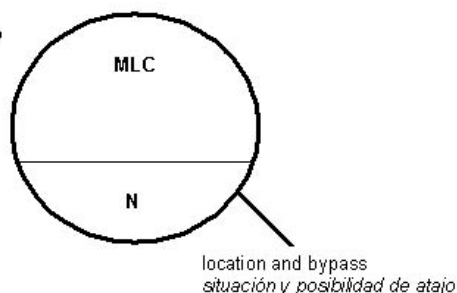
N = serial number / número de serie

two lane traffic
 doble circulación

single lane traffic
 circulación solo sentido

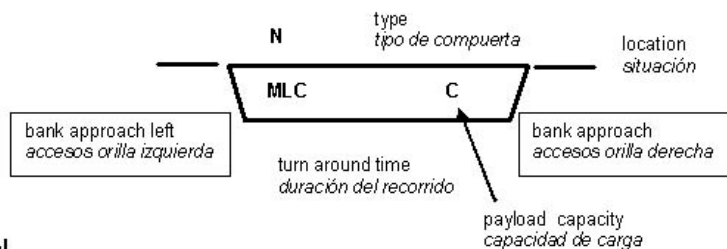


Simplified symbol / Símbolo simplificado

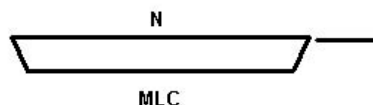


FERRY / PASO CON COMPUERTA-TRASBORDADOR

Ferry Crossing Point



Simplified symbol



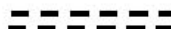
Amphibians / Paso con medios anfibios



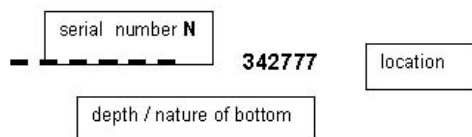
FORD / VADO

Pedestrian / A pie

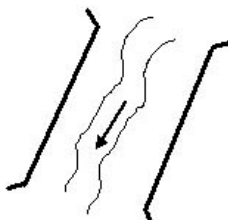
Vehicles



Simplified symbol



CROSSING AREA / ZONA DE PASO



OBSTACLES / OBSTÁCULOS

Planned
Planeados



Executed
Ejecutados

Emplaced
En posición



State 1 / *Situación 1*
(obstáculo explosivo sin cebar)



State 2 / *Situación 2*
(obstáculo explosivo cebado)

Anti tank ditch / *Foso contracarro*



Barbed wire obstacle / *Alambradas*



Abatis / *Tala*



Barrier / *Conjunto de obstáculos*



Obstacle free area / *Zona Libre de obstáculos*



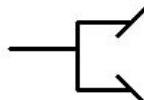
Aim of the obstacle / *Finalidad del obstáculo*



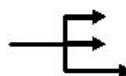
block or stop
detener



turn
girar



canalize
canalizar



disrupt
desorganizar



fix or slow
down
fijar o frenar

MINES / MINAS

Antitank / *Contracarro*



Antipersonnel / *Contrapersonal*



Off route / *De acción horizontal*



Booby trap / *Mina trampa*



Trip wire / *Cable de tracción*



Minefield laying markings / *Señalización para tendido de minas*



Landmark
Punto Base



Intermediate Point
Punto Intermedio



Row/Strip marker
*Señalizador de
faja/hileras*



Turning Point
Punto de Inflexión

MINEFIELDS / CAMPOS DE MINAS

Protective minefield / *Campo de minas de protección*



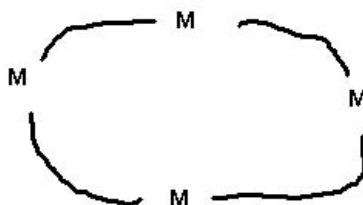
Tactical minefield / *Campo de minas táctico*



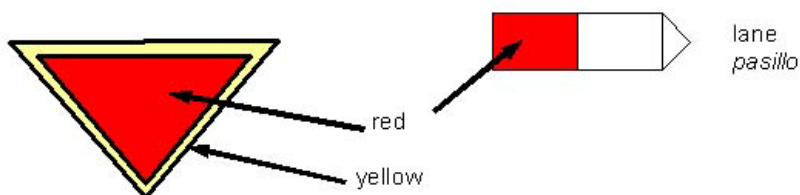
Phoney minefield / *Campo de minas simulado*



Minefield boundaries / *Límites del campo de minas*



Minefield markers (boundaries and safe lanes)
Señalización de campos de minas (límites y pasillos)



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