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ABBREVIATIONS

UA	unmanned aircraft
UAS	unmanned aircraft system
UCMJ	Uniform Code of Military Justice
UCP	unified command plan
UFC	unified facilities criteria
UN	United Nations
US	United States
USAF	United States Air Force
USAFCENT	United States Air Forces Central
USAFE	US Air Forces in Europe
USAFR	United States Air Force Reserve
U.S.C.	United States Code
USCENTCOM	United States Central Command
USCYBERCOM	United States Cyber Command
USEUCOM	United States European Command
USG	United States Government
USNORTHCOM	United States Northern Command
USPACOM	United States Pacific Command
USSOCOM	United States Special Operations Command
USSOUTHCOM	United States Southern Command
USSTRATCOM	United States Strategic Command
USTRANSCOM	United States Transportation Command
USV	unified space vault
UTC	unit type code
UW	unconventional warfare
UXO	unexploded explosive ordnance

DEFINITIONS

uncertain environment. Operational environment in which host government forces, whether opposed to or receptive to operations that a unit intends to conduct, do not have totally effective control of the territory and population in the intended operational area. (JP 3-0)

unconventional warfare. A broad spectrum of military and paramilitary operations, normally of long duration, predominantly conducted through, with, or by indigenous or surrogate forces who are organized, trained, equipped, supported, and directed in varying degrees by an external source. It includes, but is not limited to, guerrilla warfare, subversion, sabotage, intelligence activities, and unconventional assisted recovery. Also called **UW**. (JP 3-05)

undersea warfare. Military operations conducted to establish and maintain control of the undersea portion of the maritime domain. (JP 3-32)

unexploded explosive ordnance. Explosive ordnance which has been primed, fused, armed or otherwise prepared for action, and which has been fired, dropped, launched, projected, or placed in such a manner as to constitute a hazard to operations, installations, personnel, or material and remains unexploded either by malfunction or design or for any other cause. Also called **UXO**. (JP 3-15)

unified command. A command with a broad continuing mission under a single commander and composed of significant assigned components of two or more Military Departments that is established and so designated by the President, through the Secretary of Defense with the advice and assistance of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Also called **unified combatant command**. See also **combatant command**; **subordinate unified command**. (JP 1)

unity of command. The operation of all forces under a single responsible commander who has the requisite authority to direct and employ those forces in pursuit of a common purpose. (JP 3-0)

unity of effort. Coordination and cooperation toward common objectives, even if the participants are not necessarily part of the same command or organization, which is the product of successful unified action. (JP 1)

unmanned aircraft. An aircraft that does not carry a human operator and is capable of flight with or without human remote control. Also called. (JP 3-30)

unmanned aircraft systems. That system whose components include the necessary equipment, network, and personnel to control an unmanned aircraft. (JP 3-30)
