
ACRONYMS

ABL	Air-Based Laser
ABM	Anti-Ballistic Missile
ACS	AEGIS Combat System (also known as AWS)
ALCM	Air Launched Cruise Missile
ASCM	Anti-Ship Cruise Missile
AWACS	Airborne Warning and Control System
AWS	AEGIS Weapons System
BADGE	Basic Air Defense Ground Environment (Japanese battle management system)
BM	Battle Management
BMD	Ballistic Missile Defense
BMDO	Ballistic Missile Defense Organization (U.S.)
BMDR	Ballistic Missile Defense Research (Japan)
BPI	Boost-Phase Intercept
C3	Command, Control, and Communications
C3I	Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence
C3ISR	Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance

C4I	Command, Control, Communications, Computers, and Intelligence
CAPP	Center for Asia-Pacific Policy
CBM	Confidence-Building Measures
DP	Democratic Party (Japan)
EW	Early Warning
FMCT	Fissile Material Cutoff Treaty
FUE	First-Unit-Equipped
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GOJ	Government of Japan
GPALS	Global Protection Against Limited Strikes
HPD	High-Power Discriminating (Radar)
ICBM	Intercontinental Ballistic Missile
IRBM	Intermediate-Range Ballistic Missile
IRST	Infrared Search and Track (system)
IT	Information Technology
JDA	Japanese Defense Agency
JASDF	Japan Air Self-Defense Force
JMSDF	Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force
JSDF	Japan Self-Defense Forces
LACM	Land-Attack Cruise Missile
LDP	Liberal Democratic Party
LEAP	Lightweight Exoatmospheric Projectile
LP	Liberal Party
LT	Lower Tier
MAD	Mutual Assured Destruction
MARV	Maneuverable Reentry Vehicle

MEADS	Medium Extended Air Defense System
METI	Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (Japan)
MIRV	Multiple, Independently Targeted Reentry Vehicle
MoF	Ministry of Finance (Japan)
MoFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Japan)
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MRBM	Medium-Range Ballistic Missile
MTCR	Missile Technology Control Regime
MTDP	Mid-Term Defense Program (Japan)
NAD	Navy Area Defense
NMD	National Missile Defense
NTW	Navy Theater-Wide
R&D	Research and Development
SALT	Strategic Arms Limitation Talks
SBIRS	Space-Based Infrared System
SDI	Strategic Defense Initiative
SM	Standard Missile
SRBM	Short-Range Ballistic Missile
SSC-SCC	Security Subcommittee, Security Consultative Committee (U.S.-Japan)
TRDI	Technology Research and Development Institute (Japan)
THAAD	Theater High-Altitude Area Defense
TMD	Theater Missile Defense
TMD WG	TMD Working Group (U.S.-Japan)
TPD	Taepodong (North Korean missile)
UAV	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

UN	United Nations
UT	Upper Tier
WESTPAC	Western Pacific Missile Defense Architecture Study
WMD	Weapons of Mass Destruction