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NDIA - JOINT SERVICE SMALL ARMS SYNCHRONIZATION TEAM (JSSAST)

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JSSAST BACKGROUND



- In 1978, by the direction of US Congress, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense directed the establishment of the Joint Service Small Arms Program (JSSAP) Office and the JSSAP Management Committee (JSSAP MC) with the Army as the Executive Agent.
- A Management Committee (JSSAP MC) was chartered and originally consisted of representatives from the US Army, US Navy, US Marines and US Air Force
- The JSSAP MC Charter was updated and endorsed by Mr. Claude M. Bolton Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology on 31 Aug 2004 to include USSOCOM and US Coast Guard and re-titled the JSSAP MC to the Joint Service Small Arms Synchronization Team (JSSAST).



JSSAST MISSION



- The overarching mission of the JOINT SERVICE SMALL ARMS SYNCHRONIZATION TEAM (JSSAST) is to:
 - coordinate and harmonize new Service materiel requirements with potential joint applications,
 - approve annual updates of Joint Service Small Arms Capability Gaps, approve the JSSAP S&T project portfolio on an annual basis,
 - and to maintain an awareness of the Services' efforts to improve small arms capabilities in order to reduce duplication of ongoing and planned technology, acquisition, and sustainment activities.

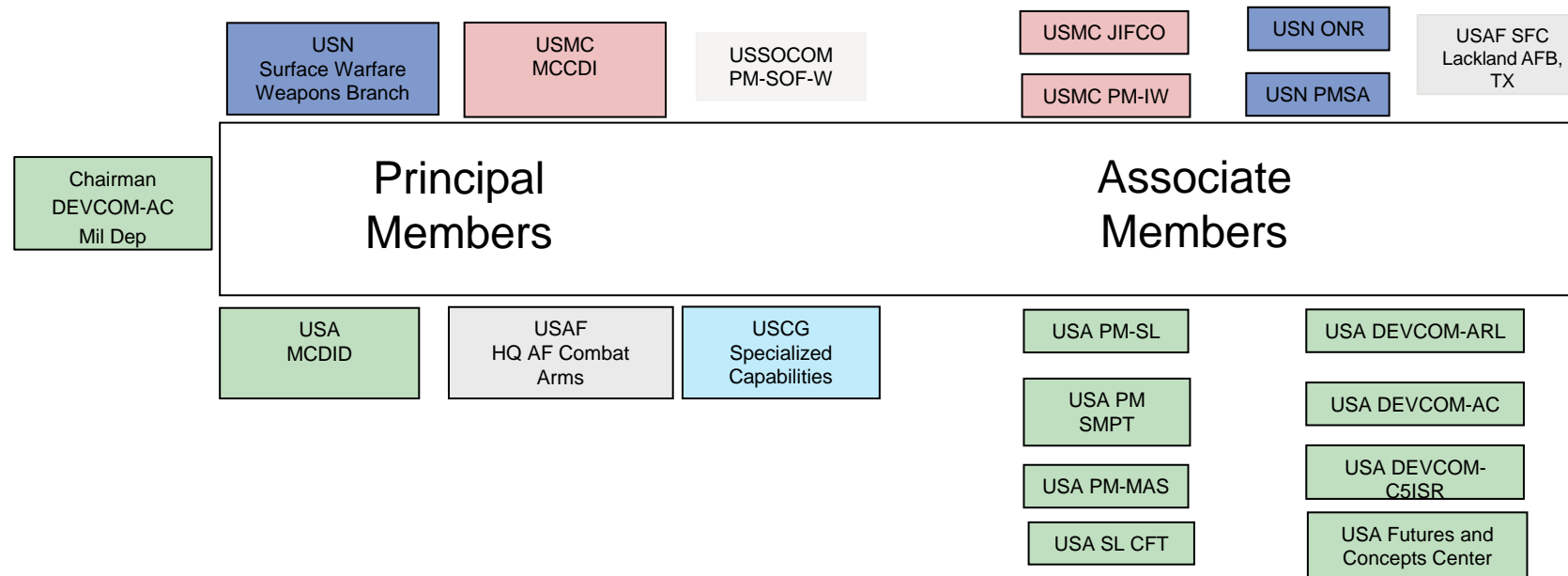


JOINT SERVICE SMALL ARMS SYNCHRONIZATION TEAM (JSSAST)



The JSSAST Team is composed of:

- Principles representing each of the Services and SOCOM Combat Developers
- Associates representing each of the services PMs, S&T/R&D Labs, Soldier Lethality-CFT and the Joint Intermediate Force Capabilities Office (formerly Joint Non-Lethal Weapons Office)





JOINT SERVICE SMALL ARMS PROGRAM OFFICE FRAMEWORK

