

DEFENSE SECTOR INTEREST GROUP TELECONFERENCE

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Thursday, May 3, 2007
8:00 AM (EASTERN U.S)

Attendees:

Gopal Valecha
Isabelle Chatagnier
Jack Jurasits
Jim Petragnani (host)
Joe Yannerella
Mark Van Eeghem
Mary Shaw
Michel Ottiker
Tim Welch

AGENDA

- Welcome and Introduction
- Review Defense Interest Group Objective
- GS1 Role with NATO
- Review minutes of last NATO Meeting (April 14-21, 2007 Copenhagen, Den)

Discussion – Defense Sector Document Library

- Are you aware of Library?
- Do you utilize information?
- What additional information would assist you?
- What would you like to see different?
- How often do you reference?

Discussion – Public Sector Website

- Posting of NATO Minutes
- Publish activity within Defense Sector (MO's)
- Publish Business Cases (MO's)

Action Items

Meeting Objective: To re-establish the Defense Interest Group as a means of sharing information and determine if the group wanted to move forward.

GS1 Role with NATO: GS1 has determined that they will support and assist NATO in implementing the GS1 system to enhance their supply chain. GS1 will remain active within NATO by providing presentations on the GS1 Solutions and demonstrating successful implementation of applications utilizing the GS1 system.

Reviewed Minutes: Minutes were reviewed of the last NATO meeting which was held in Copenhagen, Denmark, April 14-21, 2007.

- GS1 has successfully worked with NATO to develop a business process asset tracking model. This model was currently out for ratification within the NATO nations. Colonel Malinowski and Anna Gawronska to conduct a joint presentation in Warsaw Poland in July. This is the type of activity which is very supportive by GS1 and drives implementation of the GS1 System.
 - Tim Welch of 1SYNC indicated that they are working with the defense supply center of Philadelphia to synchronize their data within the healthcare industry.
- **Action Item:** GS1 Poland to work with the Polish Army on presentation at the next NATO Meeting.
- **Initiative:** NATO has a bar code Symbology document needs to be reduced by eliminating the ISO document and just referencing it.

- **Asset Tracking:** This has been a main topic within NATO and GS1 has assisted this effort by its participation in the development of the business process model. The challenge for NATO is the development of military or defense standards, since commercial have been developed to support shipping containers. GS1 will develop a presentation for Warsaw with a focus on GS1 and EPCglobal, providing information on current activities, and how NATO and GS1 can work in a collaborative manner to develop military standards for asset tracking. Additionally, a pilot project will be suggested with this group. This is being planned with Jim Petragani, Michel van der Heijden and Henri Barthel.
- There was a demonstration with the Danish military who is utilizing the GS1 SSCC with paper and RFID Symbology on consignment containers. This demonstration illustrated that the GS1 system is establishing a significant presence within NATO.
- **Website Awareness:** There are two sites for the public sector or defense sector which includes standards for NATO and specifically ones that use GS1, and other documents. Currently there is a duplication of STANAGs on the GS1 website under the defense sector. It was put before the group to remove these STANAGs since the master STANAG is maintained on the NATO website. The NATO website will be the single source for retrieving any STANAG. All were agreement to remove the STANAG off the public document library. The group had no knowledge of the defense sector document library, this has been underutilized by GS1 and the MO's, and the information is outdated. The group agreed to eliminate the defense sector library and provide information to the public sector website. This website should maintain the NATO minutes, published activity within the defense sector, business cases and a defense sector group contacts. (Jim P to work with Joe Harwood on development.)
- **Public Sector Website:** (<http://www.gs1.org/sectors/defense>) is the website address for the Public Sector.
- **Action Items:**
 - Create area on website for the minutes of the NATO meeting.
 - Create area on website for business cases of successful implementation.
 - Create area on website for current activity within the defense sector. (on-going project progress)
 - Create area on website for defense interest groups.

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- **Defense Sector Interest Group meeting frequency:** Use the NATO meeting as a platform for discussion. Time between meetings is too long. Conference calls should be held 4-6 weeks with Jim Petragani as a main contact to centralize this information. There is a lot of interest and we should be engaged in working together. Monthly calls would help to stimulate interest as to not only what happened, but what is in progress.

Next NATO Meeting: Warsaw Poland – July 2-6, 2007 – Michel van der Heijden and Henri Barthel of GS1 will present the GS1 and EPCglobal solution to support asset tracking within the NATO supply chain. The objective of this presentation is to develop military/defense standards for shipping containers and to pilot these standards in a project.

NATO Meeting Schedule: NATO meetings after Warsaw will be in Luxembourg in September; January 2008 will be held in Seattle, WA, followed by Norway, Sweden, and then Luxembourg. By giving advance notice of these meetings, some of the MO's of the hosting country can be participants at the NATO meeting and discuss what they're working on with their respective MOD (Ministry Of Defense) and DOD (Department of Defense).

- **Action Item:** The NATO meeting schedule to be added to the GS1 website.
- **Action Item:** Jim Petragani to schedule these conference calls every 4-6 weeks.
 - Next meeting to be held June 12, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time; meeting notice to be sent out with minutes.

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