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List of Abbreviations

AO Area of Operations

APEC Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation

CDF Chief of Defence Force
CO Commanding Officer
DGS Dili Guard Ship

DLOC Directed Level of Capability

DoN Degree of Notice

Dr Doctor EM East Timor

FOO Fleet Operations Officer

FPDA Five Power Defence Arrangement

HODSU Hydrographic Survey Unit

HQ Headquarters

NQNORCOM Headquarters Northern Command INTERFET International Force East Timor

IPC Inshore Patrol Craft
ISC Inshore Survey Craft

ISO International Standards Organisation
JOPG Joint Operations Planning Group

LCH Landing Craft Heavy
LCM Landing Craft Minor
LST Landing Ship Tank

MARSAR Maritime Search and Rescue

MCC Maritime Component Commander, INTERFET

MIF Maritime Interception Force
MSE Military Strategic Estimate
NZDF New Zealand Defence Force
OLOC Operational Level of Capability

OPCON Operational Control

OPRES Operational Preparedness and Reporting System

ORBAT Order of Battle

PKO Peace Keeping Operation PWO Principal Warfare Officer RAN Royal Australian Navy

RT Readiness Time

RMN Royal Malaysian Navy

RN Royal Navy

RNZAF Royal New Zealand Air Force RNZN Royal New Zealand Navy RSN Republic of Singapore Navy

SNO (NZ) Senior National Officer (New Zealand)

STG Sea Training Group

STOL Short Take Off and Landing

UN United Nations

UNAMET United Nations Administration East Timor

UNTAET United Nations Transitional Administration for East Timor

VHF Very High Frequency

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