**Introduction**

Welcome to NAC, this committee is slightly different to most as NAC is not a United Nations committee meaning its priorities are slightly different: NAC’s focus is mostly military and humanitarian so when making decisions in this committee delegates should think of their countries position on the issue and work out what military action would advance those goals the most. NAC is also debated clause by clause this means no resolutions need to be submitted, we recommend writing a number of clauses that can then be suggested individually.

**This is the debate for the Friday.** This means that only delegates attending both days need to prepare for this debate and that Security Council delegates attending on the Friday should prepare for this debate as a pair with the delegate from NAC

NATO has a number of partners and allies around the globe chosen and worked with due to the belief that these partners can help to further the goals of NATO in the area they operate in. NATO also has a number of partnership programs that help to increase cooperation between NATO and some of these regions. The different partners and partnership groups that NATO has are:

**Partnership for Peace**

The Partnership for Peace is a programme of practical bilateral countries, between NATO and individual partners in the Euro-Atlantic area. Including 16 partner countries and two former countries with which NATO no longer works.

**Mediterranean Dialogue**

The Mediterranean dialogue is a partnership that aims to contribute too security and stability in the wider Mediterranean region. There are 7 currently involved non-NATO countries in MD.

**Istanbul Cooperation Initiative**

The Istanbul cooperation initiative is a partnership allowing Middle East region non-NATO countries the opportunity to cooperate with NATO. This organisation currently has four member countries, all part of the gulf cooperation council.

**Partners across the globe**

Partners across the globe are a range of countries that NATO also cooperates with decided upon and negotiated on an individual basis. These partnerships are becoming increasingly more important to NATO due to the complex security environment present in our world today and the challenges beginning to surpass geographic boundaries and are instead global issues.

**Partnership objectives**

Through these partner programmes NATO hopes to improve the safety and stability in partner and member countries while also through this cooperation maintaining international laws and NATOs principles. On the NATO website they state their objectives for the partnership programmes to be improved euro-Atlantic security peace and stability; the promotion of regional security and cooperation; facilitate mutually beneficial cooperation on issues of common interest; prepare interested, eligible countries for NATO membership; promote democratic values and institutional reforms, especially in the defence and security sector; enhance support for NATO led operations and missions; enhance awareness of security developments, including through early warning, with a view to preventing crises; Build confidence and achieve better mutual understanding, including about NATOs role and activities, in particular through enhanced public diplomacy. Each partner also may have their own goals, delegates may look into the ITPPs or IPAPs, however I could not find any location where these were public.

**Additional Information**

Article 10

The Parties may, by unanimous agreement, invite any other European State in a position to further the principles of this Treaty and to contribute to the security of the North Atlantic area to accede to this Treaty. Any State so invited may become a Party to the Treaty by depositing its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America. The Government of the United States of America will inform each of the Parties of the deposit of each such instrument of accession.

**Advice for delegates**

Consider whether these partnership programs could be improved to fit these goals better,

Think about whether there are some countries that could or should be integrated further into NATO through further programs.