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The National Codification Bureau of Saudi Arabia
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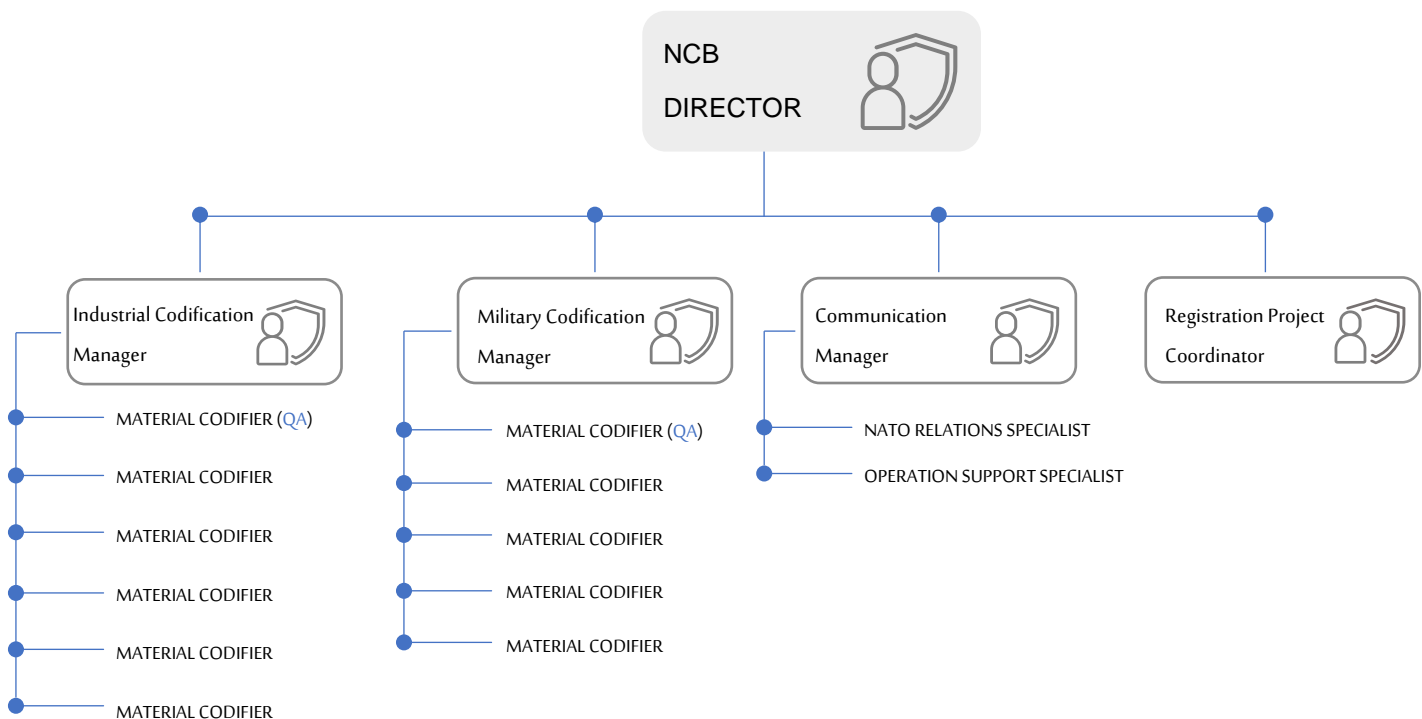
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AIM:

- To manage the Saudi Arabia Codification System in conformity with the NATO Codification System (NCS) based on rules and regulations established in AC/135.
- To identify and codify items of supply produced by Saudi Arabia manufacturers and used by military services and NATO countries/sponsored non-NATO countries.
- To maintain a Total Item Record (TIR) that stores identification data for each codified item of supply.
- To manage all CAGE codes related to entities within the jurisdiction of the kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- Conduct lectures and briefings to users on the policies, principles and concepts of the NCS and their applications.

ORGANISATION:

The Saudi NCB is responsible for NCS codification policy and the coordination of all codification activities for the armed forces and other organizations.



HISTORY:

1978: Establishment of the Saudi Catalog Center (SCC) within the ministry of finance and National Economy.

1997: Signature of Sponsorship agreement with the NATO Group of National Directors on Codification - AC/135 on October 3rd 1997.

2015: Transfer the functions and duties of the Saudi Catalog Center from the Ministry of Finance to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and activating the Saudi National Coding Office.

2019: Configuration and installation of cataloguing tool (SICAD) in the National Codification Bureau within the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources. As well as preparing the processes and procedures.

CODIFICATION TOOL:

Saudi Arabia NCB uses SICAD as a codification tool specifically designed to meet NATO Codification System policies and principles. SICAD allows Armed Forces to identify items of supply, as well as to retrieve codification information from National Items of Supply Catalogues.

STANAGS:

Saudi Arabia has adopted the principles of the NCS as set out in the standardization agreements below:

- 3150 Uniform System of Supply Classification
- 3151 Uniform System of Item Identification
- 4177 Uniform System of Data Acquisition
- 4438 Uniform System of Dissemination of Data Associated with NATO Stock Numbers

In addition; the Implementation of policies and procedures contained in the NATO Manual on Codification (ACodP-1)