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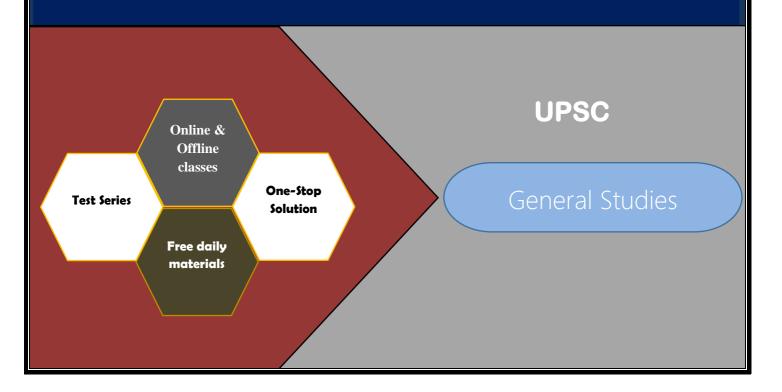


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NATO SUMMIT

Notes for civil services preparation





NATO Summit

Context:

NATO Summit was held recently in Brussels. It brought together the leaders of all 30 Allied nations.

Outcomes of the meet:

- 1. The heads of the NATO countries said they "remain firmly committed to NATO's founding Washington Treaty, including that an attack against one Ally shall be considered an attack against us all, as enshrined in Article 5."
- 2. It included language about **updating Article 5 to include major cyberattacks**, which have become a significant and growing concern.

About North Atlantic Treaty Organization:

- It is an intergovernmental military alliance.
- Established by Washington treaty.
- Treaty that was signed on 4 April 1949.
- Headquarters Brussels, Belgium.
- Headquarters of Allied Command Operations Mons, Belgium.

Composition:

- Since its founding, the admission of new member states has increased the alliance from the original 12 countries to 30. The most recent member state tobe added to NATO was North Macedonia on 27 March 2020.
- NATO membership is open to "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."

