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The following Prowords, found in Appendix B of CGTTP 6-01.1A Radiotelephone Handbook:

PROWORD	EXPLANATION
ACKNOWLEDGE	Instructs the addressee to acknowledge the message.
ALL AFTER	The portion of the message to which I refer is all that precedes (word/ number).
ALL BEFORE	The station called is to answer after call sign (...) when answering transmissions.
ANSWER AFTER	The station called is to answer after call sign (...) when answering transmissions.
ASSUME CONTROL	Assume control of this net until further notice.
AUTHENTICATE	The station called is to reply to the challenge that follows.
AUTHENTICATION IS (...)	The message's transmission authentication is (...).
BREAK	Indicates the separation of text from other portions of the message.
CALL SIGN	The group that follows is a call sign.
CLOSE DOWN	Stations are to close down when indicated. (Note: Requires acknowledgments.)
CORRECT	You are correct. What you have transmitted is correct.
CORRECTION	An error was made in this transmission. Transmission will continue with the last word correctly transmitted. An error was made in this transmission (or message indicated). The correct version is (...). In answer to your request for verification, that which follows is a corrected version.
DISREGARD THIS TRANSMISSION - OUT	This transmission is in error, disregard it. (Note: This proword shall not be used to cancel any message that has been completely transmitted and receipted for.)

PROWORD	EXPLANATION
DO NOT ANSWER	Called stations are not to answer, receipt for, or otherwise transmit in connection with this transmission. (Note: When this proword is used, the transmission is ended with the proword OUT.)
EXECUTE	Carry out the intention of the message or signal to which this applies. (Note: Use only with the executive method.)
EXECUTE TO FOLLOW	Carry out the action on the following message or signal on receipt of the proword EXECUTE. (Note: Use only with the delayed executive method.)
EXEMPT	The station(s) immediately following this proword is (are) exempted from the collective call or collective address.
FIGURES	Numerals or numbers follow.
FLASH	FLASH message precedence.
FROM	The message originator.
GRID	The following message portion is a grid reference.
GROUPS	This message contains the number of groups indicated by the numeral following.
GROUP NO COUNT	The groups in this message have not been counted.
I AM ASSUMING CONTROL	The transmitting station is assuming control of this net until further notice.
I AUTHENTICATE	The group that follows is the reply to your authenticate challenge.
IMMEDIATE	IMMEDIATE message precedence.
IMMEDIATE EXECUTE	Carry out action on the following message or signal on receipt of the proword EXECUTE. (Note: Use only with the immediate executive method.)
INFO	The addressees immediately following this proword are addressed for information purposes only.
I READ BACK	The following is my response to your instructions to read back.
I SAY AGAIN	Use to repeat all or a portion of a transmission.
I SPELL	Precedes a word spelled phonetically.

PROWORD	EXPLANATION
I VERIFY	I verify and repeat the following at your request. (Note: Use only in response to VERIFY.)
MESSAGE	The following message requires recording. (Note: Do not use this proword on nets used primarily for conveying messages, but when passing messages on tactical or reporting nets.)
MORE TO FOLLOW	The transmitting station has additional traffic for the receiving station.
NEGATIVE (NEGAT)	No. Cancel message(s) sent by the delayed executive method. (Note: NEGAT can be used to cancel a single message or a group of messages awaiting execution.)
NO PLAY	During exercises, use the proword NO PLAY to distinguish real world activity from messages relating to exercise play (e.g., an actual emergency or casualty). To use, precede NO PLAY with the exercise's code name.
NOTHING HEARD	Use when you receive no reply from a called station.
NUMBER	Station serial number.
OUT	Use to end a transmission when no reply is required or expected. (Do not use with the proword OVER).
OVER	Use to end a transmission when a response is required. Go ahead and transmit your reply. (Do not use with the proword OUT).
PRIORITY	PRIORITY message precedence.
READ BACK	Repeat this entire transmission exactly as received.
RELAY (TO)	Transmit this message to all addressees immediately after this proword. (Note: The address component is mandatory when using this proword.)
ROGER	I have satisfactorily received your last transmission. NOTE: Use only once per transmission (e.g. ROGER, OUT, not ROGER ROGER ROGER).
ROUTINE	ROUTINE message precedence.

PROWORD	EXPLANATION
SAY AGAIN	Repeat all of your transmission.  Note: You can modify this proword to request a repeat of message portions (e.g., SAY AGAIN ALL AFTER (...)/SAY AGAIN ALL BEFORE (...)).
SEND YOUR (...)	I am ready to receive your message, report, etc. (Note: Use only in reply to the offer of a message, report, etc. on tactical or reporting nets.)
SERVICE	The following message is a SERVICE message
SIGNALS	The following groups are from a tactical signal book. (Note: Do not use this proword on nets used primarily for conveying tactical signals, but when passing tactical signals on non-tactical nets.)
SILENCE (Repeated three or more times)	Immediately cease transmissions on this net. Maintain silence until lifted. (Note: This transmission must be properly authenticated.)
SILENCE LIFTED	Silence is lifted. (Note: This transmission must be properly authenticated.)
SPEAK SLOWER	Your transmission is too fast. Reduce the speed at which you are speaking.
THIS IS (...)	This transmission is from the station whose designator immediately follows.
THIS IS A DIRECTED NET	This net is directed from now until further notice.
THIS IS A FREE NET	This net is free from now until further notice.
THROUGH ME	Relay your message through me.
TIME	The following is the time, or this message's date time group (DTG).
TO	The addressees immediately following are addressed for action.
(...) TO (...)	The portion of the message to which I refer is all that appears between the groups (...) and (...).

PROWORD	EXPLANATION
UNKNOWN STATION	Use when trying to establish communications with a station whose designation or call sign is unknown.
USE ABBREVIATED CALL SIGNS	Abbreviate call signs until further notice.
USE ABBREVIATED PROCEDURE	As conditions are normal, all stations must use abbreviated procedures until further notice.
USE FULL CALL SIGNS	Use full call signs until further notice.
USE FULL PROCEDURE	As conditions are not normal, all stations must use full procedures until further notice.
VERIFY	Verify entire message (or portion indicated) with the originator, then send the correct version. (Note: Use only at the discretion of the addressee to which the questioned message was directed.)
WAIT	I must pause for a few seconds.
WAIT - OUT	I must pause for longer than a few seconds.
WILCO	I have received your signal, understand it, and will comply. (Note: Used only by the addressee.)  Since the meaning of ROGER is included in that of WILCO, never use these two prowords together.
WORD AFTER	The message word to which I refer follows (...).
WORD BEFORE	The message word to which I refer precedes (...).
WORDS TWICE	Normally used when communications are difficult. Transmit each phrase (or code group) twice. (Note: You can use this proword as an order, request, or as information.)
WRONG	Your last transmission was incorrect. The correct version is (...).