

TABA2 - ASCII-to-EBCDIC Translation

This Natural profile parameter allows you to overwrite the definitions in the translation table NTTABA2 as contained in the configuration module NATCONFG. This table is used for ASCII-to-EBCDIC translation.

TABA2 corresponds to the NTTABA2 macro in the Natural parameter module and can be used to dynamically specify the same options which you can specify statically with the NTTABA2 macro in the parameter module.

Possible settings	See TABA2 Parameter Syntax below.	
Default setting	As specified within macro NTTABA2 in NATCONFG. In the Natural parameter module NATPARM, the macro NTTABA2 must be used instead.	
Dynamic specification	YES	This parameter can only be specified dynamically.
Specification within session	NO	

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TABA2 Parameter Syntax

The TABA2 parameter is specified as follows:

```
TABA2=(a1,a2,b1,b2,c1,c2,...)
```

You specify pairs of characters, the first character of a pair being an ASCII character to be translated, the second character of a pair being the EBCDIC character into which the ASCII character is to be translated.

You can specify each character either as the one-byte character itself (enclosed in apostrophes) or as the two-byte hexadecimal representation of that character.

NTTABA2 Macro Syntax

The NTTABA2 macro is specified as follows:

```
NTTABA2 a1,a2,b1,b2,c1,c2,...
```

Example of NTTABA2 Macro

```
NTTABA2 5E,'Ä','ö',78,FF,00,'ü','Ü'
```

In this example, the character represented by H'5E' is translated into "Ä", "ö" into the character represented by H'78', the character represented by H'FF' into the character represented by H'00', and "ü" into "Ü".

Example of TABA2 Parameter

With the TABA2 parameter, you must enclose the entire string of character pairs in parentheses, for example:

```
TABA2=(5E,'Ä','ö',78,FF,00,'ü','Ü')
```