

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID:3205

2. COW Alliance # (if applicable):
3523

3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):
June 17, 1950

4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):

1950	6	17	Egypt	651	BFSP 157	669	
1950	6	17	Lebanon	660	BFSP 157	669	
1950	6	17	Saudi Arabia	670	BFSP 157	669	
1950	6	17	Syria	652	BFSP 157	669	
1950	6	17	Yemen Arab Republic	678	BFSP 157	669	
1952	2	16	Jordan	663	MacDonald,		
					1965		
1951	2	2	Iraq	645	MacDonald,		
					1965		
1964	9	11	Tunisia	616			
1971	12	6	United Arab Emirates	696			
1961	6	13	Morocco	600	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1961	8	12	Kuwait	690	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1964	9	11	Algeria	615	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1964	9	11	Libya	620	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1964	9	11	Sudan	625	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1971	11	14	Bahrain	692	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1971	11	14	Qatar	694	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1971	11	23	Yemen People's Republic	680	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1974	5	20	Somalia	520	Rengger 95	390	**Ratification date
1971	9	29	Oman	698			Oman becomes system member one week after entry
1977	9	4	Djibouti	522			
1993	11	20	Comoros	581			

Egypt exits March 31, 1979 and re-enters May 22, 1989

Yemen (679) replaces YAR(678) and YPR(680)- May 22, 1990

Syria suspended November 13, 2011 until present (<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/11/13/world/middleeast/arab-league-votes-to-suspend-syria-over-its-crackdown-on-protesters.html>)

Note: The Arab League website notes that all members have joined this treaty. Some entry dates (Comoros, Oman, Djibouti, UAE) are Arab League entry dates. Others may be ratification dates.

5. Was the alliance signed during war? If so, which war, and which member(s) was at war? (check COW data)
No

6. Means by which alliance was established (e.g., treaty, executive agreement, diplomatic notes, etc.): (Only select "treaty" if the agreement requires ratification.)
Treaty

7. Was the treaty public, public but with secret articles, or secret? If secret articles, describe the content of secret articles.
Public

8. Are there provisions for adding additional members mentioned in the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.

No

9. Are specific state(s) mentioned as possible future members of the alliance? (Yes, No) If Yes, which state(s)?

No

10. Are there specific provisions in the treaty concerning the length of time the treaty is to last? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

Article 12 implies 10 years

11. Are there conditions under which members may renounce the treaty? If Yes, describe these conditions.

State may withdraw with 1 year notice after 10 years.

12. Are there specific provisions in the treaty concerning renewal of the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.

Implication is that the treaty will continue for states that do not renounce after 10 years.

13. Number of times alliance renewed, dates of renewal, and means by which alliance was renewed (Do not include automatic renewals):

14. Termination date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances) and source(s) for termination dates(s):

Still in force. Egypt was suspended on March 31, 1979 and reentered in May 22, 1989. Republic of Yemen assumed the positions of Yemen Arab Republic and Yemen People's Republic on May 22, 1990. Syria suspended on November 13, 2011.

V4: Still in effect as of 5/13/2018 as per Arab League – Washington DC website. (<http://arableague-us.org/wp/charter-of-the-arab-league/>)

15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.

Egypt was suspended due to members' dissatisfaction with Egypt-Israeli peace.

Syria suspended due to members' dissatisfaction with Assad regime's handling of protests.

SECTION II: OBLIGATIONS

16. Type of alliance (defense pact, neutrality pact, nonaggression pact, consultation pact, offense pact): (List all that apply to any member of the alliance.)

Consultation pact, defense pact, nonaggression pact

17. Type of alliance as coded in COW data (if applicable):

Defense pact

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

Consultation:

Article III: "The (parties) shall consult together at the request of any one of them, whenever the integrity of the territory, independence or security of any one of them is exposed to danger.

In the event of imminent risk of war or the advent of a sudden international development believed to be dangerous, the (parties) shall at once hasten to co-ordinate their plans and efforts in adopting such preventive and defensive measures as the situation may require."

Defense:

Article II: "The (parties) agree that an armed aggression, directed against any one or more of them or against their forces, shall be considered as directed against all of them. For this reason, they agree, in virtue of the right of legitimate self-defence, both individual and collective, to assist at once the State or States so attacked and to adopt immediately, both individually and collectively, all the measures and means at their disposal, including employment of armed force, to repulse the aggression and restore peace and security."

Nonaggression:

Article I: "Desirous of maintaining peace and security, the Contracting states declare their determination to settle all their international disputes by peaceful means, whether in their relations with each other or in the those with other States."

19. Are any of the obligations contingent upon any of the following: specific adversary, specific location, specific ongoing conflict, number of adversaries, noncompliance with a specific demand, attack, nonprovocation of enemy, or prior agreement among partners? (List all that apply)

None

20. Describe the nature of the limits to obligations listed in #19.

N/A

21. Are there any additional provisions for assistance in the event of war? (e.g., promise not to participate in economic sanctions against partner, promise not to aid internal or external enemies, etc.) (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

22. Are there any additional limits to the alliance obligations or conditions under which treaty obligations do not apply that were not listed in #19? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

23. Is a specific target/threat mentioned as the object of the treaty? (Yes, No) (Answering Yes to this question does not necessarily mean that obligations are limited only to this adversary.) If Yes, list the target nation(s) (using COW country codes if possible) and describe the general nature of the reference to the target of the treaty.

No

24. Are the treaty obligations symmetric? (That is, do all members commit to the same obligations?) (Yes, No) If No, describe.

Yes

25. Does the treaty prohibit members from settling conflicts independently (no separate peace)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

26. Does the treaty have provisions requiring that the contracting parties consult before making commitments to third parties (excluding no separate peace provisions discussed above)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.

No

27. Does the treaty specify that the contracting parties must not enter into any other alliances that are directed against the alliance in question? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

Article X: "Each of the (parties) is bound not to conclude any agreement in contradiction to this Treaty and not to adopt, in its international relations, an attitude contrary to the purposes of this Treaty."

28. Additional coder comments regarding treaty obligations:

SECTION III: INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE ALLIANCE

29. Does the treaty make reference to the potential for conflict among members of the alliance? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

30. Does the treaty discuss mediation/arbitration or other means of settling disputes among the signatories? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

31. Does the treaty require official contact among the military forces of the participating states? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe. (Note whether official contact is required only in the event of hostilities or also during peacetime.)

Article V: "A permanent military committee shall be formed of representatives of the Chiefs of Staff of the (parties) to co-ordinate the plans..."

Protocol: "A Consultative Military Organization composed of the Chiefs of Staff of the (parties) shall be set up to supervise the Permanent Military Committee..."

32. Does the treaty include provisions for military aid? (e.g., grants, loans, transfer of technology, training) (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.

Military Annex. Article I(e): "(Permanent Military Committee shall be in charge of) organization of the exchange of military training missions and preparation of plans for combined manoeuvres of forces of the (parties);"

33. Does the treaty provide for integrated command of military forces while the alliance is in effect (peacetime as well as wartime)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

34. Does the treaty require subordination of the forces of one or more member states to another in the event of hostilities? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

Yes. Military Annex Article 5: “ The chief command shall be vested in the State having the largest number of military forces in the field, in number as well as in equipment, unless the choice of a Commander-in-Chief should be made through a different procedure with the unanimous approval of the Contracting States.”

35. Does the treaty establish any organizations? (include provisions for regularly scheduled meetings) (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
Article V: “A permanent military committee shall be formed of representatives of the Chiefs of Staff of the (parties)”
Article VI: “Under the control of the Council of the League shall be constituted a Council of Common Defence (in charge of executing defense and consultation provisions).”
Article VIII: “ An Economic Council shall be created...”

36. Does the treaty provide for joint military bases, or for one or more states to place troops in the territory of one or more other states? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
No

37. Does the treaty specify contribution levels (funds, troops, etc.)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
No

38. Does the treaty contain any provisions regarding coordinated increase of armaments, reduction of armaments, prohibition of weapons, or rules of warfare? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe such provisions.
No

39. Does the treaty explicitly permit or prohibit the acquisition of territory not currently held by either ally? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe reference.
No

40. Does the treaty include discussion of the division of gains from any future conflict? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
No

41. Does the treaty include discussion of demobilization/withdrawal following conflict? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
No

42. Are there any other provisions in the treaty that describe the means through which the states will coordinate their military efforts and policies? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
Article IV: “...the (parties) declare their intention to co-operate amongst themselves in developing and strengthening their military forces and to participate, each one according to its own needs and resources, in the preparation of individual and collective measures to resist armed aggression.”

Military Annex. Article I (a): “Preparation of military plans to meet all foreseeable dangers or any armed aggression which might be attempted against one or more of the (parties) or their forces.”

43. Additional coder comments regarding references to alliance institutionalization:
No

SECTION IV: TREATY CONTEXT

44. Does the treaty state that it nullifies any existing treaties signed by one or more of the contracting parties? (Yes, No) If Yes, list the treaties/agreements that are nullified and describe the treaty reference.
No

45. Does the treaty state that it modifies any existing treaties signed by one or more of the contracting parties? (Yes, No) If Yes, list the treaties/agreements that are modified and describe the treaty reference.
No

46. Does the treaty state that it includes any existing treaties signed by one or more of the contracting parties? (Yes, No) If Yes, list the treaties/agreements that are included and describe the treaty reference.
No

47. Does the treaty make any references to international organizations? (Yes, No) If Yes, list the international organization and describe the nature of the reference.
United Nations–Security Council shall be informed of any armed aggression and steps and measures taken as a result, terms of the treaty are not in conflict with rights and obligations of parties according to UN charter.
Arab League - Treaty is in accordance with the Pact of the League of Arab States (Preamble)

48. Does the treaty make any references to other existing alliances? (Yes, No) If Yes, list the alliance and describe the nature of the reference.

No

49. Are there any companion agreements referenced in the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe the agreements.

No

50. Does the treaty include statements regarding non-military cooperation (e.g., economic, cultural, scientific exchange)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

Articles 7 pledges cooperation in economics, use of natural resources, and trade, and article 8 establishes an Economic Council.

51. Does the treaty resolve other conflicts among the parties to the alliance? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

52. Does the treaty propose/enforce settlement of a conflict not involving parties to the alliance? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

53. Does the treaty propose other agreements among the contracting parties? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

54. Does the treaty mention unresolved conflicts among the contracting parties? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

55. Does the treaty include provisions for economic aid or other enticements (include trade concessions, post war recovery, etc.)? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.

No

56. Does the treaty describe circumstances under which one party may intervene in the internal politics of another party or specifically commit the states to non-intervention? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.

No

SECTION V: DOCUMENTATION

57. Additional coder comments on this alliance treaty:

58. Source of coding information (e.g., treaty, treaty and secondary sources, secondary sources only, etc.): Treaty and Protocol

59. Treaty citation: BFSP 157:669
Protocol: BFSP 158:771

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: July 16, 2004

61. Coder: Andrew Long, Ashley Leeds

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