

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 3758

2. COW Alliance # (if applicable): 3575

3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):
July 15, 1976

4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):
Egypt 651
Sudan 625

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.
"The duration of the pact shall be 25 years, and it will be automatically renewed every 5 years as long as neither of the contracting countries notifies the other of its wish to withdraw from the pact 1 year before its due date of expiration." (Art.7)

11. Are there conditions under which members may renounce the treaty? If Yes, describe these conditions.
See 10.

12. Are there specific provisions in the treaty concerning renewal of the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.
See 10.

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):
May 22, 1985 (The Associated Press – May 22, 1985)

15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.
Sudanese coup leads Sudan to seek rapprochement with Libya and to abrogate treaty with Egypt

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.)
defense pact, consultation pact

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

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

“The two contracting parties consider any armed aggression against either of them or their armed forces an aggression against both of them. Therefore, in accordance with the legitimate right of single or group defense stipulated in the UN charter and the Arab League Charter, each of them is committed to assist the other state in case of aggression against it. The two states shall immediately take all measures together and will use all the means they possess, including the use of the armed forces, to deter and repulse the aggression.” (Art.1)

“The two states shall exchange information and consult each other at the request of either of them in case of the danger of the outbreak of war, or when a sudden aggression occurs, or in the case of an emergency portending danger. The two states shall immediately unify their plans and movements.” (Art. 2)

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)

No.

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

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.

No.

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.)

“The two contracting countries have decided to establish bodies which shall insure the implementation of the pact. The bodies should include: a) a joint defense council and b) a joint staff command.” (Art.4) The joint defense council which consists of the foreign and war ministers of the two countries shall meet once every 6 months and the joint staff command shall meet every 3 months in peace time. (Art. 5 and 6)

32. Does the treaty include provisions for military aid? (e.g., grants, loans, transfer of technology, training) (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.
No.
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.
No.
35. Does the treaty establish any organizations? (include provisions for regularly scheduled meetings) (Yes, No) If Yes, describe.
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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.
The Defense Council which consists of the foreign and war ministers of the two countries and will meet every 6 months is to a) draw up general principles for cooperation in order to ward off aggression, b) draw up recommendations for directing and coordinating joint war efforts, and c) endorse resolutions of the joint staff command. (Art.5) The Joint staff command which consists of the armed forces chiefs of staff and an equal number of staff officers from each of the two countries and which will meet every 3 months is to draw up plan and studies that raise the armed forces’ combat competency of the two countries, develop them in armament and training fields, and submit any of these plans to the Defense Council for endorsement. (Art.6)
To guarantee the effectiveness of the pact, the two sides shall coordinate plans and methods for developing their armed forces in manner that will insure the mastery of the most sophisticated weapons (Article 3)
43. Additional coder comments regarding references to alliance institutionalization:

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.

In its preamble it refers to the joint defense and economic cooperation treaty (June 17, 1950) in Arab League and the OAU Charter.

Article 1 refers to the UN Charter and the Arab League Charter

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.

In the preamble it refers declares the two countries' intention to deepen the cooperation that was the aim of the joint defense and economic cooperation treaty (June 17, 1950) of the Arab League members. In article 1 it refers to the right to self-defense and group defense as stipulated in the Arab League Charter.

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.

No.

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

59. Treaty citation: FBIS-MEA 22 July 1976 D1

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: July 24, 2004

61. Coder:

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