

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)  
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 3844
2. COW Alliance # (if applicable): 3585
3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):  
February 19, 1979
4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):  
German Democratic Republic (265)  
Angola (540)
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.  
This treaty shall be valid for a period of 20 years
11. Are there conditions under which members may renounce the treaty? If Yes, describe these conditions.  
Probably no
12. Are there specific provisions in the treaty concerning renewal of the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.  
Probably renewable automatically for 5 year periods
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):  
October 3, 1990
15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.  
German unification

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.)  
Nonaggression Pact
17. Type of alliance as coded in COW data (if applicable): Neutrality/Nonaggression Pact
18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.  
No primary text available – see # 57. Probably states something like: “The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare that neither will enter into any alliance or participate in any step or action directed against the other High Contracting party.”
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.

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.

Most likely yes

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.

Probably states something like: All questions arising between the High Contracting Parties with regard to the interpretation or application of this Treaty shall be settled by bilateral negotiation in a spirit of friendship, understanding and mutual respect.

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.)

No

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.

No

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 but the parties shall continue to make active contributions to achieve general and complete disarmament, including nuclear disarmament

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.  
No
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.  
Probably UN
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.  
Yes.  
The treaty called for all-round cooperation in the fields of economic relations, trade, science, technology and culture.
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.  
Probably yes

#### SECTION V: DOCUMENTATION

57. Additional coder comments on this alliance treaty:  
We do not have the text of the treaty. Since GDR signed similar treaties with other African and Middle Eastern countries in similar dates, we code this alliance based on the obligations of those treaties whose texts are available.
58. Source of coding information (e.g., treaty, treaty and secondary sources, secondary sources only, etc.): Secondary Sources

59. Treaty citation: Keesing's Record of World Events, July 1979  
LexisNexis. BBC Summary of World Broadcasts. February 21, 1979
60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: August 18, 2004
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