

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 7045
2. COW Alliance # (if applicable): N/A
3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):
September 25, 2018
4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):
Russia (365)
Belize (80)
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.
Yes – Section 10 – "The Agreement is concluded for 5 years and will be automatically renewed every time for subsequent 5-year periods, unless one of the Parties at least one year before the expiration of the next period notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate this Agreement."
11. Are there conditions under which members may renounce the treaty? If Yes, describe these conditions.
No
12. Are there specific provisions in the treaty concerning renewal of the treaty? (Yes, No) If Yes, describe these provisions.
Yes – Section 10 – "The Agreement is concluded for 5 years and will be automatically renewed every time for subsequent 5-year periods, unless one of the Parties at least one year before the expiration of the next period notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate this Agreement."
13. Number of times alliance renewed, dates of renewal, and means by which alliance was renewed (Do not include automatic renewals):
N/A
14. Termination date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances) and source(s) for termination dates(s):
Still in effect as of 6/04/2020 as per Russian MFA:
<https://www.mid.ru/ru/maps/bz/?currentpage=main-country>
15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.
N/A

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.)
Non-aggression pact

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

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

Section 1 – “The parties develop their relations on the basis of...the settlement of disputes by peaceful means, the non-use of force or the threat of force”

Section 9 – “The parties shall resolve any disputes and disagreements that may arise between them, exclusively by peaceful means”

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?
No

20. Describe the nature of the limits to obligations listed in #19.
No

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:
N/A

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.
Section 9 – “The parties shall resolve any disputes and disagreements that may arise between them, exclusively by peaceful means and in accordance with applicable International Law”

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

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:

N/A

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.

Yes –

United Nations – Principles of Charter of UN references in preamble. Section 1 commits parties to develop relations in strict accordance with the Charter of the United Nations. Section 2 commits to cooperate in the framework of the UN. Section 5 references cooperation in accordance with the Declaration of the UN Conference on Environment and Development of 1992.

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)

Yes –

Section 3 – Economic cooperation, particularly in developing markets

Section 4 – Scientific cooperation, particularly in satellite technology

Section 5 – Environmental cooperation based on UN Conference on Environment and Development

Section 6 – Transnational terrorism and crime

Section 7 – Broad cooperation in culture, education, healthcare, the media, tourism, youth exchange, sports, and emergency situations

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.

Yes – Section 1 – “The parties develop their relations on the basis of...non-interference in the internal affairs of States”

SECTION V: DOCUMENTATION

57. Additional coder comments on this alliance treaty: Text of treaty coded based on translation from Google Translate.

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

59. Treaty citation: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russia: https://www.mid.ru/ru/foreign_policy/international_contracts/2_contract/-/storage-viewer/bilateral/page-16/53382

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: 6/04/2020

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