

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 2302

2. COW Alliance # (if applicable): N/A.

3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):
February 16, 1933.

4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):
315 Czechoslovakia
360 Romania
345 Yugoslavia.

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. Indefinitely (Art.11).

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.
No.

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

14. Termination date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances) and source(s) for termination dates(s):
March 15, 1939.

15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.
Czechoslovakia loses its independence.

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.

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

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

Every political treaty of any state of the Little Entente, every unilateral act changing the existing political situation of one of the states of the Little Entente in relation to an outside state, and every economic agreement involving important political consequences shall henceforth require the unanimous consent of the Council for the Little Entente. The existing political treaties of each state of the Little Entente with outside states shall be progressively unified as far as possible (Art.6).

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.

Yes. Every political treaty of any state of the Little Entente, every unilateral act changing the existing political situation of one of the states of the Little Entente in relation to an outside state, and every economic agreement involving important political consequences shall henceforth require the unanimous consent of the Council for the Little Entente (Art.6).

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.)

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.

Yes. A Permanent Council, and Economic Council and a Secretariat of the Permanent Council is created.

A Permanent Council composed of the Foreign Ministers or of special delegates is created (Art.1). Decisions are made unanimously (Art.1). The Permanent Council meets at least three times a year (Art.2). The Foreign Minister of the state where the obligatory annual meeting is held is the President and will draw up the agenda (Art.3). The Permanent Council can establish other stable or temporary organs, commissions or committees (Art.8). An Economic council which deals with the coordination of the economic interests of the states is also created (Art.7). A Secretariat of the Permanent Council shall be established. Its headquarters will change once a year but there shall be a permanent section at the seat of the League of Nation in Geneva (Art.9).

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:

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.

Yes. The treaty renews the alliances between Romania and Czechoslovakia of April 23, 1921, between Romania and

Yugoslavia of June 7, 1921, and between Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia of August 31, 1922, which were extended on May 21, 1929, and are supplemented by the provisions of the present pact (...) for an indefinite period (Art.11).

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. The parties shall have an ordinary optional meeting during the Assemblies of the League of Nations (Art.2). A section of the Secretariat of the Permanent Council shall be located in Geneva at the seat of the League of Nations (Art.9). The common policies of the Permanent Council shall be inspired by the principles of the Covenant of the League of Nations and nothing in this pact shall be regarded as contrary to the League of Nations (Art.10).

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.

Yes. The treaty renews the alliances between Romania and Czechoslovakia of April 23, 1921, between Romania and Yugoslavia of June 7, 1921, and between Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia of August 31, 1922, which were extended on May 21, 1929, and are supplemented by the provisions of the present pact (...) for an indefinite period (Phase 2, Art.11).

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 creates an Economic Council for the coordination of economic policies (Art.7).

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:

This treaty provides for three-way consultation among states already linked by defense pacts.

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

59. Treaty citation: LNTS, vol.139, p.235.

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: 02/27/05.

61. Coder: Michaela Mattes, Ashley Leeds.