

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 4005

2. COW Alliance # (if applicable):
3615

3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):
October 29 1990

4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):
France (220)
Soviet Union (365)

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. The treaty is concluded for a term of 10 years, and will be automatically renewed for periods of 5 years.

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

A party may renounce the treaty in writing at least a year before the respective renewal date but there are no provisions for renunciation during the term.

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

Yes. Treaty will be automatically renewed for periods of 5 years after the initial 10-year term expires.

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):
February 7, 1992

15. Describe what caused the alliance to terminate.

Replaced by new alliance (ATOP ID# 4170)

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

Consultation Pact

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

Entente

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

Nonaggression Pact:

Parties renounce the threat or use of force (Article 3)

Proceeding from the inadmissibility of the threat of force and its use in international relations they shall take advantage of all opportunities they have to settle controversial international problems by peaceful means. (Article 7, 3rd paragraph)

Consultation:

In the event of situations arising which, in the opinion of either side, create a threat to the world or violate peace or which give rise to international tension, the governments of the Soviet Union and France shall immediately contact each other in order to reach accords on all aspects of these situations, harmonize their positions as much as possible and reach agreement on measures that may make it possible to improve the positions or handle the situation and act jointly (Article 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.

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.

Yes. The sides pledge to resolve their disputes by peaceful means (Article 3)

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

Yes. Article 7 describes UN mechanisms

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.)

Yes.

The sides shall develop and deepen contacts and exchanges on military lines. They shall regularly, on bilateral and multilateral basis, exchange opinions on military doctrines.

Meetings at the level of general staff of the USSR armed forces and the staff of the French armed forces as well as the headquarters of the different branches of the armed forces shall be held regularly (Article 24)

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.

The ministers of foreign affairs shall hold consultations as necessary and not less than twice a year and regular meetings of the Ministers of Defense will take place (Article 11)

Intergovernmental commission on economic, scientific and technological cooperation will be established (Article 13)

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 Article 9 states that the sides are convinced of the need to implement in stages universal and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control.

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.

Yes. The sides shall develop and deepen contacts and exchanges on military lines. They shall regularly exchange opinions on military doctrines (Article 24).

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.

Yes.

Parties confirm their obligations to UN and CSCE (Preamble)

UN (Article 7 states that mechanisms of UN will be used to settle conflicts)

European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (Article 8)

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.

CSCE (Preamble, Articles 2 and 10)

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 parties shall develop cooperation in the fields of the economy, industry, science and technology (Article 13), agriculture, the use of nuclear energy for peaceful means, transport and infrastructure, space (Article 14), environment (Article 15), culture, education, information (Article 20), and in the struggle against organized crime (Article 23).

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.

Yes. Article 26 proposes agreements in legal and civic affairs.

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

Yes. Article 12 mentions unsettled boundary issues.

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:

LexisNexis Academic Universe, BBC Summary of World Broadcasts. October 31, 1990

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet:

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