

ALLIANCE TREATY OBLIGATIONS AND PROVISIONS (ATOP)  
CODING SHEET

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SECTION I: FORMATION, MEMBERS, AND DURATION

1. ATOP ID: 4095
2. COW Alliance # (if applicable): N/A.
3. Signature date(s) (may vary for members in multilateral alliances):  
October 11, 1991.
4. Members of alliance (use COW country codes):  
290 Poland  
325 Italy
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 treaty is to last 20 years.
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.  
The treaty shall be automatically renewed for five year terms unless one of the sides notifies the other that it wants to end the treaty one year before the end of the term.
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):  
Still in effect.  
Version 4.0: In effect as of December 20, 2017 according to Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland  
([http://www.msz.gov.pl/pl/p/msz\\_pl/polityka\\_zagraniczna/europa/stosunki\\_z\\_panstwami\\_europy/wlochy](http://www.msz.gov.pl/pl/p/msz_pl/polityka_zagraniczna/europa/stosunki_z_panstwami_europy/wlochy))
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.)  
Consultation Pact.

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

18. Describe the obligations of the alliance partners.

In the event of a situation or dispute that one side believes could threaten peace or international security, the sides take a common position, as much as possible, in taking the most appropriate actions to lessen tension. If one side decides that the situation or dispute threatens its highest security interests, it can turn to the other side for immediate two-sided consultation for the purpose of finding, if it is necessary, the most appropriate forms of aid for the side which feels threatened (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.

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.)

Only for confidence building

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.  
There will be regular and periodic consultations on important international problems that are of interest to both sides, especially regarding disarmament and security in Europe. Meetings at the highest level will take place each year. Foreign ministers will meet at least once a year and other members of the governments (cabinets) will consult periodically. Regular meetings will also take place on the level of representatives of the foreign ministers (Art.2). The sides will develop military contact on different levels through regular visits of defense ministers, chiefs of general staffs, delegations and different units and students at Polish and Italian military academies (Art.5).

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 sides will develop military contact on different levels through regular visits of defense ministers, chiefs of general staffs, delegations and different units and students at Polish and Italian military academies (Art.5) (confidence building)

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.  
The parties will consult on matters regarding Poland and the EU (Art.2). The sides favor strengthening the UN (Art.3). The sides wish to strengthen the European Communities (Art.8). The obligations of Italy respect the competence of the EU

(Art.13).

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. CSCE. (Article 7)

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.

The signatories cooperate on deepening the process of European integration and arms limitation. They cooperate on economic, environmental, scientific, cultural matters, immigration rights, organized crime and tighten the contacts between areas, regions and other territorial divisions.

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 But parties will sign further agreements and treaties if necessary (Art.1).

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: Translation from Polish by Kasia Hebda.

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

59. Treaty citation: provided by Italian MFA.

60. Date of last revision of this coding sheet: July 5, 2004

61. Coder: Michaela Mattes and Ashley Leeds.

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