

SEATO TREATY, 1954

ARTICLE III

1. Each Party recognizes that aggression by means of armed attack in the treaty area against any of the Parties¹ or against any State or territory which the parties by unanimous agreement may hereafter designate, would endanger its own peace and safety, and agrees that it will in that event act to meet the common danger in accordance with its constitutional processes. . . .

2. If, in the opinion of any of the Parties, the inviolability or the integrity of the territory or the sovereignty or political independence of any Party in the treaty area or of any State or territory to which the provisions of paragraph 1 of the Article from time to time apply is threatened in any way other than by armed attack or is affected or threatened by any fact or situation which might endanger the peace of the area, the Parties shall consult immediately in order to agree on the measures which should be taken for the common defense.

¹SEATO members: United States, France, England, Australia, New Zealand, Philippines, Thailand, Pakistan