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The Initial Soviet Project of a Mutual Assistance Pact Between Estonia and the Soviet Union (Translated from Russian)

[See also: "[Negotiating in the Kremlin: The Esotnian Experience of 1939](#)".]

With a view to establishing a comprehensive and friendly collaboration between the Soviet Union and the Republic of Estonia, and in the interest of guaranteeing reciprocal security, the government of the Soviet Union and the government of the Republic of Estonia have agreed to the necessity of concluding a mutual assistance pact as stated below:

I.

Both contracting parties undertake to give each other every assistance, including military aid, if one of the contracting parties is menaced or directly attacked by any third European power.

II.

The U. S. S. R. is obliged to render aid to the Estonian army in providing it on favorable terms with arms and other military equipment, also to assist the Republic of Estonia economically and in the field of foreign policy and diplomacy.

III.

The Republic of Estonia grants the Soviet Union the right to have naval bases for its fleet in Estonian ports and some aerodromes for her air force on Estonian islands.

IV.

Both parties will not participate in any agreements or coalitions directed against one of the contracting parties.

V.

This pact will remain in effect for 10 years and if one of the contracting parties dees not find it necessary to give notice it shall continue in effect for the following 5 years.

PROTOCOL

It is agreed that the present agreement in no way shall affect the economic system ~~of~~ or form of government of the contracting parties.