

**No. 743**

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**UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS  
and  
HUNGARY**

**Treaty of friendship, co-operation and mutual assistance.  
Signed at Moscow, on 18 February 1948**

*Official texts: Russian and Hungarian.*

*Registered by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on 15 March 1950.*

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**UNION DES REPUBLIQUES SOCIALISTES SOVIETIQUES  
et  
HONGRIE**

**Traité d'amitié, de coopération et d'assistance mutuelle. Signé  
à Moscou, le 18 février 1948**

*Textes officiels russe et hongrois.*

*Enregistré par l'Union des Républiques socialistes soviétiques le 15 mars 1950.*

## TRANSLATION — TRADUCTION

No. 743. TREATY<sup>1</sup> OF FRIENDSHIP, CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE BETWEEN THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND THE REPUBLIC OF HUNGARY. SIGNED AT MOSCOW, ON 18 FEBRUARY 1948

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The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the President of the Republic of Hungary,

With a view to the further development of friendly relations between the USSR and Hungary,

Being convinced that the strengthening of good-neighbourly relations, co-operation and friendship between the peoples of the Soviet Union and Hungary is in accordance with their vital interests and will best serve to promote the economic development of both States,

Being inflexibly resolved to co-operate in the interest of strengthening universal peace and security in accordance with the purposes and principles of the United Nations,

Have decided for this purpose to conclude the present Treaty and to appoint as their plenipotentiaries:

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics: Vyacheslav Mihailovich MOLOTOV, Vice-President of the Council of Ministers and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the USSR;

The President of the Republic of Hungary: Lajos DINNYÉS, President of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Hungary,

Who, having exchanged their full powers, found in good and due form, have agreed on the following provisions:

*Article 1*

The High Contracting Parties agree to take all joint action in their power to obviate any threat of renewed aggression by Germany or any other Power which might be associated with Germany, either directly or in any other way.

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<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 22 April 1948, by the exchange of the instruments of ratification at Budapest, in accordance with article 6.

The High Contracting Parties confirm their intention to participate, in the sincerest fashion, in all international action for ensuring the peace and security of peoples and will fully contribute to the realization of these lofty aims.

#### *Article 2*

Should either of the High Contracting Parties be involved in hostilities with Germany or with any State associated with Germany in acts of aggression in Europe which States might seek to renew their policy of aggression, or with any other State which might be associated with Germany directly or in any other way in a policy of aggression, the other High Contracting Party shall immediately extend to the Contracting Party involved in hostilities military and other assistance with all the means at its disposal.

The present Treaty will be implemented in conformity with the principles of the United Nations Charter.

#### *Article 3*

The High Contracting Parties respectively agree not to enter into alliance or take part in any coalition or in any action or measures directed against the other High Contracting Party.

#### *Article 4*

The High Contracting Parties will consult together on all important international questions involving the interests of both countries.

#### *Article 5*

The High Contracting Parties affirm their resolve to act in a spirit of cooperation and friendship for the further development and strengthening of the economic and cultural ties between the USSR and Hungary; they will act in accordance with the principles of mutual respect for their independence and national sovereignty and of non-interference in the internal affairs of the other State.

#### *Article 6*

The present Treaty will remain in force for twenty years from the date of its coming into force. If neither of the High Contracting Parties gives notice one year before the expiration of the said twenty-year period that it wishes to denounce the Treaty, it will remain in force for a further five years, until such

time as either High Contracting Party gives notice in writing one year before the expiration of the current five-year period of its intention to terminate the Treaty.

The present Treaty shall be subject to ratification in the shortest possible time and shall come into force on the date of the exchange of the instruments of ratification, which will take place at Budapest at an early date.

IN FAITH WHEREOF the plenipotentiaries have signed the present Treaty and attached their seals thereto.

DONE at Moscow on 18 February 1948, in two copies, each in the Russian and Hungarian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

By authorization of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR:	By authorization of the President of the Republic of Hungary:
(Signed) V. MOLOTOV	(Signed) DINNYÉS
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