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1948 – Brussels Treaty

In March 1948, Britain, France, Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg signed a mutual defense treaty. At the same time Truman asked congress to prepare a military alliance with Europe. Senator Vandenburg also proposed a security treaty which would abide by the UN charter but exist outside it so that the Soviet Union could not use its veto. His resolution passed and negotiations began.

1948 –

1948-49

1949 – NATO is formed

The US wanted not just the Brussels Treaty nations but Canada, Iceland, Denmark, Italy, Norway and Portugal to help facilitate any military action. Greece and Turkey joined in 1952. After the outbreak of the Korean War in 1950 the command was centralized. Colonial wars were not part of the mutual defense.

What were the impacts of NATO:

Inclusion of Germany

Increased Tensions

Warsaw Pact (1955)

Mutual Defense Assistance Program

Nuclearisation of Europe

