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Whereas as a result of the Allied victory Austria was liberated from the
domination of Hitlerite Germany;

Whereas the Allied and Associated Powers and Austria, taking into account
the importance of the efforts which the Austrian people themselves have made
and will have to continue to make for the restoration and economic recovery
of their country, desire to conclude a treaty re-establishing Austria as a
free independent and sovereign State, this continuing to the restoration of
peace in Europe;

Whereas the Allied and Associated Powers desire by means of the present
Treaty to settle in accordance with the principles of justice all questions which
are still outstanding in connection with the events referred to above, including
the question of Austria by Hitlerite Germany and its participation therein in
the war as an integral part of Germany, and as arising in a judicial
process of conciliation, the present Treaty to secure a just and
friendly relations between them, through explicit formalized Association
Powers to support Austria's application for admission to the United Nations
Organization;

Have therefore appointed the undersigned plenipotentiaries who after
presentation of their full powers found in good and due form, have concluded
the following provisions:

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Without prejudice to the
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As plenipotentiary of Austria as a free and independent State
The Allied and Associated Powers recognize that Austria is a sovereign
independent, and democratic State, and therefore they