

III. GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

ARTICLE XIII

1. Germany undertakes to recognize the full force of the State Treaty establishing an independent and democratic Austria of May 15, 1955, and the prohibition of Anschluss contained in it.

2. In conformity with this, Germany shall respect the sovereignty and independence of Austria and renounces all territorial and political claims to Austria and Austrian territory.

3. Germany undertakes to recognize and to respect the permanent neutrality of Austria as it is laid down by the Federal Constitutional Law of Austria, adopted by the Austrian Parliament on October 26, 1955.

4. To prevent the threat of an Anschluss, any political or economic alliance between Germany and Austria is prohibited. Germany undertakes fully to recognize its responsibility in this question and shall not enter into a political or economic alliance with Austria in any form whatever.

Germany must not conclude any agreements with Austria, undertake any actions, or carry out any measures directly or indirectly promoting its political and economic alliance with Austria, or jeopardizing the territorial integrity, political or economic independence of Austria. Germany further pledges not to allow any actions on its territory directly or indirectly promoting such an alliance, and must prevent the existence, revival, or activity of any organizations pursuing the aim of establishing a political or economic alliance with Austria, or propaganda in favour of an alliance with Austria.

IV. BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

ARTICLE XIV

1. Germany binds itself to take all measures necessary to secure to all persons under German jurisdiction, without distinction as to race, sex, language, religion, nationality, origin, or political convictions, the enjoyment of human rights and of the fundamental freedoms, including personal freedom, the freedom of expression, of press and publication, of religious worship, of political opinion, of association and of public meetings.