

CENTRAL TREATY ORGANIZATION



CENTO

BAGHDAD PACT



WHAT IS CENTO?



- ❑ Stands for Central Treaty Organization.
- ❑ Also known as Baghdad pact and METO(Middle East Treaty Organization).
- ❑ CENTO was mutual defense and economic cooperation pact between five countries.
- ❑ the main purpose was to prevent communist incursions and foster peace in the Middle East.
- ❑ It was determined to keep Soviet Russia away from the Middle East.
- ❑ This was also a warning to Soviet Russia and other Arab Countries.

Principles of CENTO:

- ❑ The members of this organization were to pay attention for their own security and to make the defense of other countries strong.
- ❑ A member country would not interfere in the affairs of other country.
- ❑ The member countries would not keep relation with other countries of the world.
- ❑ This organization would remain in force for five years.
- ❑ This organization would be given new shape after the expiry of five years.

History of CENTO:

- ❑ **1954 February:** Turkey signed a Pact of Mutual Cooperation with Pakistan.
- ❑ **24 February 1955:** A military agreement was signed between Iraq and Turkey, and the term "Baghdad Pact" started to be used. Iran, Pakistan, and the United Kingdom join the Baghdad Pact.
- ❑ **1959 March:** The new republican regime of Iraq withdrew the country from the alliance.
- ❑ **19 August 1959:** METO renamed CENTO.

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- ❑ **1965:** Pakistan tried to get help from its allies in its war against India. The United Nations Security Council passed Resolution 211 on September 20 and the United States and the United Kingdom supported the UN decision by cutting off arms supplies to both belligerents.
 - ❑ **1971:** In a new war with India, Pakistan again tried unsuccessfully to get allied assistance. (The U.S. provided limited military support to Pakistan, but not under the rubric of CENTO.)
 - ❑ **1979:** The new government of Islamic Republic of Iran and Islamic republic of Pakistan withdrew the country from CENTO.

Members of CENTO:



Islamic republic of
Pakistan



Republic of Turkey



Iran




Iraq



United kingdom



Headquarters of CENTO:

- The organization's headquarters were in Baghdad, Iraq, in 1955 to 1958
 - in Ankara, Turkey, in 1958 to 1979.
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Deformation of CENTO:

- ❑ The Iranian revolution brought the end of the organization in 1979 along with Iran, Pakistan also left CENTO.
 - ❑ Spontaneous withdrawal of Pakistan and Iran in 1979 caused the collapsed of Central Treaty Organization (CENTO).
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