## **Un and Collective Security**

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## Abstract

The concept of collective security has been important since the formation of the United Nations although the concept of collective security was introduced during the League of Nations. However, it failed because the big powers who had the capability to resolve the conflict were not keen to send forces. This led to the failure of the League of Nations. The allies formed the UN and Security Council was formed to promote peace and security in the world. The concept of Collective security was used the Korean crisis and the Gulf War [Iraq Kuwait war].

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The primary purpose for the formation of the United Nations was maintenance of peace and security in the world. This was to be achieved by taking collective measures for the prevention and suppression of breaches of peace and pacific settlement of disputes by peaceful means. The members of the UN agreed not to use force or threat of force against the territorial integrity or political independence of a state. Hence the security council was formed to protect the states. According to the Chapter VII of the UN Charter, Article 51, in case of an armed attack on a member state, the state had a right of self-defence or collective defence. The measures taken by member states in the exercise of this right of self-defence shall be immediately reported to the Security Council and shall not in any way affect the authority and responsibility of the Security Council under the present Charter. When the crisis was reported, the security council would decide to act in consultation with the military staff committee. Under the article 47.

- 1. A Military Staff Committee would be established to advise and assist the Security Council on all questions relating to the military requirements for the maintenance of international peace and security, the employment and command of forces placed at its disposal, the regulation of armaments, and possible disarmament.
- 2. The Military Staff Committee shall consist of the Chiefs of Staff of the permanent

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