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MID Story Sample 2

Which of the following best characterizes the action(s) described in the story?

- ( ) Use of Force
  - - Violent use of military forces (armies, warships, planes, etc) by one country against another country
  - - Intentional damage to the territory, military, citizens, or goods of another country
- ( ) Display of Force
  - - A non-violent action taken by the military of one country as a show of strength against another country
- ( ) Threat to Use Force
  - - Verbal statements by one country declaring that an action by another country will result in violent or damaging consequences.
- ( ) None of the Above

In the sample story, did the military forces of one country fire upon or cause damage to the military, population, or territory of another country?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No

Did the regular military forces of the two countries exchange fire with each other?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No

The following two questions are general knowledge questions and are not related to the story you have just read.

Which of the following is NOT a country?

- Pakistan
- India
- United Nations

Which of the following is NOT considered official military forces?

- air force
- navy
- local militia

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The following questions are being asked to collect information on military actions taken by one country directed against the military, population, or territory of another country.

While these incidents may involve non-state actors such as armed rebel groups or terrorist organizations as a target, we are not directly concerned with the actions these groups take.

The following questions, therefore, pertain to conflicts between political and/or military personnel of two countries.

What country or countries (or their military personnel) initiated the action? If civilians or non-state actors (NSA) initiated an action, focus instead on the action a country took in response.

A non-state actor is an entity that is not an official representative of any country. Examples of non-state actors include Al Qaeda, Tamil Tigers, and the Red Cross. Insurgents, rebel groups, and terrorist organizations are all NSAs, as are individuals acting independent of a country, religious and humanitarian organizations.

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- [ ] Other, please enter the name of the initiating country:

Who is the target of the action by the country/countries selected above? The target may be a country, its civilians, its territory, or a non-state actor (NSA) operating within the country.

Either way, please name the country that the action has been directed against.

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- ○ ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}
- ○ ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}
- ○ Other, please enter the name of the target country:

What is the specific geographic location of the incident?

In what country did the incident take place?

- ○ ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_0}
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- ○ ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}

- ○ ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}
- ○ Location is unclear
- ○ Other, please enter the name of the country where the action occurred:

In 2-3 sentences, please summarize the actions taken by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} targeting ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}.

Please focus on the most recent or most important events that took place involving the military. Do not go into detail.

Are the events involving the military action best described as physical, material actions (such as an attack by military forces) or verbal statements and comments (such as a meeting among military officials)?

- ○ Physical, material actions
- ○ Verbal statements and comments

Are the events involving the military best described as conflictual and confrontational, or friendly and cooperative?

- ○ Conflictual and confrontational
- ○ Friendly and cooperative

Which of the following best characterizes the military action(s) described in the story? <u>If more than one option applies, select the first of the options listed below.</u>

- ○ **Physical, violent use of military force** Sample use of force stories
  - Active (possibly violent) use of military forces (armies, warships, troops, planes, etc.) by one country against another country
  - Intentional damage or harm to the territory, military, citizens, or goods of another county
  - Intentional capture of the territory, military, citizens, or goods of another country
  - Land or border violation of a country's territory by the military of another country
- ○ **Show or display of military force** Sample display of force stories
  - A non-violent action taken by the military of a country as a deliberate show of strength against another country
  - Physical violation of another country's national waters or airspace by military forces
  - A country fortifying its border region or sending additional troops to its border
  - A country putting its military forces on alert or a heightened state of readiness
  - A country activating or mobilizing reserve or irregular military forces

- ◯ **Verbal threat to use military force** Sample threat to use force story
  - Verbal statements by one country declaring that an action or actions by another country will result in violent or damaging consequences
- ◯ **None of the above**

Use of Force Block round4

You've defined ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} as the initiator of military action and ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} as the target.

We're now going to ask some questions pertaining to uses of military force.

Did the armed forces of one country fire upon or cause damage to the military, population, or territory of another country?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Did the attacking country use chemical, biological, or radiological weapons? If unsure, or if the story does not state, answer "no."

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

This story is about the tactical use of chemical, biological, or radiological weapons by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} against the territory or forces of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} . Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No
- ◯ Yes, but the actors are reversed

This sounds like a conventional attack. Did the military of the target country return fire in any capacity? If unsure, or if the story does not state, answer "no." If a non-state actor returned fire, answer "no."

A non-state actor is an entity that is not an official representative of any country. Examples of non-state actors include Al Qaeda, Tamil Tigers, and the Red Cross. Insurgents, rebel groups, and terrorist organizations are all NSAs, as are individuals acting independent of a country, religious and humanitarian organizations.

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

This story is about a clash between ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} and ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A clash is defined as the outbreak of sustained military hostilities or an exchange of fire between the regular armed forces of two or more countries. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} attacked ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Were civilians the target of this attack? If so, was this action protested or responded to militarily by ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Civilians were not the target of the attack. **Note: if the territory or military personnel were targeted in the attack choose this option.**
- Civilians were the target of the attack and ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} **did not** protest or respond militarily in any capacity.
- Civilians were the target of the attack and ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} **did** protest and/or respond militarily.

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} attacked ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesText Was there any evidence that ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} condoned the attack or that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} and ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntr cooperating militarily?

- Yes, ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} condoned the attack and/or the two countries were cooperating militarily
- No, the attack was not condoned by ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} and there was no evidence of military cooperation.

You have indicated that the military forces of ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} attacked ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. An attack is defined as the use of regular armed forces of a country to fire upon the armed forces, population, or territory of another country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Did the armed forces or official personnel of one country capture or seize the goods, citizens, or property of another country? If yes, which of the following best characterizes what is being seized?

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Official Material Goods (weapons, military equipment, or government financial assets, papers, or documents)

- Official Personnel (government officials or military personnel)
- Unofficial Goods/Personnel (a country's citizens or the property of those citizens)
- No seizure took place

Did the target country respond militarily or say anything to protest the seizure of its unofficial goods? If unsure, or if the story does not state, answer "no."

- Yes
- No

Were the official goods or personnel held by the seizing country for a period of at least 24 hours? If the story does not explicitly state the length of the seizure, use your best judgment.

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} captured ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s official goods or personnel and held them for a period of 24 hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Were the unofficial goods or personnel held by the target country for a period of at least 24 hours? If the story does not explicitly state the length of the seizure, use your best judgment.

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} captured ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s unofficial goods or personnel, ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} protested the seizure, and the unofficial goods or personnel were held for a period of at least 24 hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Did the military of one country violate the airspace, land, or sea border of another country? If yes, select whether the violation was by air, land, or sea. Otherwise, select no.

- Yes, by air
- Yes, by land
- Yes, by sea
- No violation occurred

Were the military forces trespassing for a period longer than 24 hours? If the story does not explicitly state the length of the violation, use your best judgment.

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has occupied ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. An occupation is defined as the use of military force by one country to occupy all or part of another country's territory for a period of at least twenty-four hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has violated the border of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A border violation is defined as the crossing of a border by military forces of one country or the occupation of all or part of another country's territory for a period of less than twenty-four hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has violated the border of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} by sea or by air. Such a border violation is non-violent but is meant to be threatening or as a show of strength. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Did the military forces of one country blockade another country? A blockade is an attempt to inhibit or impinge upon the flow of goods or personnel into our out of a country?

- Yes
- No

The military of ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} set up a blockade against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A blockade is defined as the use of military forces by one country to partially or completely seal off the territory of another country to prevent the entry or exit of goods or personnel. Stopping or inspecting ships or vehicles or the confiscation of goods in transit is evidence of the erection of a blockade. A formal declaration is not required. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Did one country explicitly declare or join a war against another country? To join a war, the target country must already be at war with another country.

- Yes, declared war
- Yes, joined a war
- No

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has joined an ongoing war against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, who had already been at war with at least one other country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has declared war against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} had not previously been at war with any other country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Display of Force Block round4

Great, thanks for your work. It looks like there is not a physical use of violent, military force in this story. We are now going to ask a few questions about non-violent displays of military force.

Did a country fortify its border region, either by constructing new fortifications or sending additional troops to the border region?

- Yes
- No

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has fortified its border with ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A border fortification is defined as an explicit attempt to publicly demonstrate control over a border area through the construction or non-routine reinforcement of military outposts in or near the border area. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- No
- Yes, the country fortifying its border is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_0}
- Yes, the country fortifying its border is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_1}
- Yes, the country fortifying its border is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}
- Yes, the country fortifying its border is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}

Did a country place its military on alert? In other words, did it increase the readiness of its regular military (not its military reserves)? If yes, the story will usually mention the words "alert" or "heightened readiness" of military forces.

- Yes
- No

Did this increased readiness mention an increased readiness of nuclear forces? If unsure, or if the story does not state, answer "no."

- Yes
- No

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} activated a nuclear alert. A nuclear alert is defined as an increased readiness of a state's nuclear armed forces. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- No
- Yes, the country on nuclear alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_0}
- Yes, the country on nuclear alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_1}

- Yes, the country on nuclear alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}
- Yes, the country on nuclear alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} activated a military alert. An alert is defined as an increased readiness of a state's regular armed forces. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- No
- Yes, the country on alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_0}
- Yes, the country on alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_1}
- Yes, the country on alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}
- Yes, the country on alert is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}

Did one country mobilize its military? That is, it activated all or part of its previously inactive or reserve military forces?

- Yes
- No

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} engaged in a mobilization. A mobilization is defined as the activation by a state of all or part of its previously inactive (reserve) armed forces. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- No
- Yes, the country that mobilized is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_0}
- Yes, the country that mobilized is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_1}
- Yes, the country that mobilized is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_2}
- Yes, the country that mobilized is ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_entity_3}

Did any country use its military to make a public demonstration in order to intimidate others? This might be a non-routine military exercises near a target country's border and/or violating another country's waters or airspace.

- Yes
- No

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} engaged in a show of force against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A show of force is defined as a public demonstration by a state of its military forces intended to intimidate another state but not involving actual combat. Examples include non-routine military maneuvers and military exercises, naval patrols immediately outside the territorial waters of another state, and then intentional violation of

another state's territorial waters or air space. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Threat of Force Block round 4

Focus only on verbal statements and disregard all physical actions. Did one country verbally threaten another?

A threat is an explicit statement where a ranking official clearly states that his/her country will take physical action if another state engages in a specified type of behavior.

An example of threat would be U.S. President Bush stating, "If Saddam Hussein does not allow weapons inspectors into Iraq, then the U.S. will attack."

An example of a statement that IS NOT a threat would be U.S. President Bush stating "Saddam Hussein must allow weapons inspectors into Iraq.

- Yes
- No

What did the country threaten to do? Select the best choice.

- Use military force
- Blockade
- Occupy territory
- Declare war
- Use chemical, biological, or radiological weapons
- Join a war against the target
- Actually, there is no threat!

${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No
- Yes, but the actors are reversed

Random Test Question Block

Which of the following is not a country's regular military?

- Air force
- Rebel group
- Coast guard
- Navy

Which of the following would you describe as a ranking government official?

- General
- Businesswoman
- Priest
- Soldier

Which of the following is an internationally recognized country?

- Gaza
- Kashmir
- Sweden
- Puerto Rico

Who is the president of the United States?

- Barry Sanders
- Barack Obama
- Genghis Khan
- Hillary Clinton

Which of the following is not a religion?

- Islam
- Hinduism
- Christianity
- Amnesty

Which of the following is an ocean?

- Atlantic

- American
- United
- JetBlue

Aux Questions

As described in this particular story, did the actions taken by either ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} or ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} result in any fatalities among the military personnel of either country (non-civilian fatalities)?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure

How many non-civilian fatalities did ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} suffer? Please enter the exact number. If no exact number is provided, please the box that best estimates the number.

- If exact, enter here:
- None
- 1-25
- 26-100
- 101-250
- 251-500
- 501-999
- >999

How many non-civilian fatalities did ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} suffer? Please enter the exact number. If no exact number is provided, please the box that best estimates the number.

- If exact, enter here:
- None
- 1-25
- 26-100
- 101-250
- 251-500
- 501-999
- >999

This news report was reported on ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_date}, is this the same date on which the militarized incident described occurred?

- Yes
- No

On which date did this militarized incident occur?

Year
Month
Day

Did the militarized incident last longer than one day?

- Yes
- No

On which date did this militarized incident end?

Year
Month
Day

According to the news report, did the military or political officials from ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} issue an apology over the incident? Did they make conciliatory remarks of any kind towards ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Yes
- No

Are there any non-state actors involved in the incident? Otherwise, enter "none." Examples include international organizations such as the United Nations or rebel groups and terrorist organizations such as Al-Qaeda. Please separate the names of actors with a semi-colon (e.g. United Nations ; Al-Qaeda)

- Yes
- No

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Difficult Test Block

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Difficult test story

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Which of the following best characterizes the action(s) described in the story?

- ○ Use of Force
  - - Violent use of military forces (armies, warships, planes, etc) by one country against another country
  - - Intentional damage to the territory, military, citizens, or goods of another country

- Display of Force
  - - A non-violent action taken by the military of one country as a show of strength against another country
- Threat to Use Force
  - - Verbal statements by one country declaring that an action by another country will result in violent or damaging consequences.
- None of the Above

What country was the initiator of the military action?

- TUR
- IRQ
- PKK
- PAK

What country or countries was the target of the military action?

- [ ] TUR
- [ ] PKK
- [ ] PAK
- [ ] IRQ

Were there any non-state actors, such as terrorist groups or multi-national groups, present during the event?

- Yes
- No

Were any uniformed military personnel killed during the event?

- Yes
- No

First Set -- Bypass

If you're here, then you've either answered our test questions correctly or you have already answered them correctly in a previous survey. Congratulations! You will be directed to a new story by clicking the link below. Thank you for participating!

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Thank you!

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Use of Force Block

You have indicated that the military forces of ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} attacked, raided, or bombed ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. This is defined as the use of regular armed forces of a country to fire upon the armed forces, population, or territory of another country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that the military forces of ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} have engaged in a violent clash or battle ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A clash is defined as the outbreak of sustained military hostilities between the regular armed forces of two or more countries. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

Were chemical, biological, or radiological weapons used? If unsure, answer "No."

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has seized goods or personnel of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Which of the following best characterizes the type of property that was seized:

- Weapons, military equipment, or government financial assets, papers, or documents
- Government officials or military personnel
- A country's citizens or the property of those citizens

Did ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} protest this seizure? Methods of protest include filing a complaint with ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} or an international organization, making public statements indicting ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, or taking military action against ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} in response to their seizure.

- Yes
- No

Were the seized goods or personnel captured and held by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} for a period of at least 24 hours?

- Yes
- No

Were the seized goods or personnel captured and held by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} for a period of at least 24 hours?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} captured or seized ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s goods or personnel and held them for a period of 24 hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has blockaded ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A blockade is defined as the use of military forces by one country to partially or completely seal off the territory of another country to prevent the entry or exit of goods or personnel. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that the military forces of ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} illegally crossed the border of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, either as a border violation or as an occupation of territory. Was this for a period of less than 24 hours?

- Yes
- No

This is a border violation. A border violation is defined as the use of military force by one country to occupy all or part of another country's territory for a period of less than twenty-four hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

This is an occupation of territory. An occupation is defined as the use of military force by one country to occupy all or part of another country's territory for a period of at least twenty-four hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

Display of Force Block

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has fortified its border with ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A border fortification is defined as an explicit attempt to publicly demonstrate control over a border area through the construction or non-routine reinforcement of military outposts in or near the border area. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has mobilized its troops or placed them on alert with ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} as the target. As part of this mobilization or alert, were previously inactive or reserve troops activated by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Yes
- No

You have identified a mobilization by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}

against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A mobilization is defined as the activation by a country of all or part of its previously inactive or reserve forces. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have identified an alert by ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. An alert is defined as an increase in the military readiness of a country's regular armed forces. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

A nuclear alert is defined as an increased readiness of a country's nuclear armed forces. Is this an accurate description of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has made a public demonstration intended to intimidate ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, but not involving physical combat. This includes border violations by air or sea, naval patrols immediately outside the territorial waters of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, and non-routine or controversial military maneuvers or exercises. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

Did ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} respond with a public demonstration intended to intimidate ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}? In other words, are ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} and ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} engaging in mutual standoff-ish behavior?

- Yes
- No

Threat of Force Block

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A threat is an explicit statement where a ranking official clearly states that his/her country will take violent, physical action if another state engages in a specified type of behavior.

An example of a threat would be U.S. President Bush stating "If Saddam Hussein does not allow weapons inspectors into Iraq, the U.S. will attack."

An example of a statement that is not a threat would be U.S. President Bush stating "Saddam Hussein must allow weapons inspectors into Iraq."

In light of this definition of a threat, is it accurate to say that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to use military force against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. This is defined as the threat by one country to use its regular armed forces to fire upon the armed forces or violate the territory of another country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to declare war against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Is ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} currently at war with a country other than ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to join an ongoing war against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. In other words, ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} is at war with another country and ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to join that other country against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to declare war against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}, who is not at war with any other country. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

Did ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} verbally threaten to use chemical, biological, or radiological (nuclear) weapons against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to occupy the territory of ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. An occupation of territory is defined as the use of military force to occupy all or part of another country's territory for at least 24 hours. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to blockade ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. A blockade is defined as the use of military forces to partially or completely seal off the territory of another country to prevent the entry or exit of goods or personnel. Is this an accurate depiction of the event?

- Yes
- No

You have indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} in some way that does not fit into our schema. Please describe the threat and be specific.

Aux Questions -- Bypass

The attached story does not detail any threats, displays or uses of military force between two or more countries. Which of the following, then, best characterize the context of the story?

- A country is engaged in routine military operations
- Two or more countries are holding joint military operations
- One or several countries are engaged in combat operations against non-state entities (i.e. rebel groups or terrorist organizations)
- A sporting event is taking place
- None of the above

This news report was reported on ${e://Field/channel.item.mid:meta_date}, is this the same date on which the militarized incident described occurred?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

On which date did this militarized incident occur?

Year
Month
Day

Did the militarized incident last longer than one day?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

On which date did this militarized incident end?

Year
Month
Day

Was the military action described in the story taken to resolve an underlying issue between the countries involved? If so, mark which category best describes the issue below.

- ◯ **Territory**
  - - A country is attempting to gain control of a land-based piece of territory that it does not currently possess.
- ◯ **Regime**
  - -A country is attempting to change or overthrow the government of another country.
- ◯ **Policy** - A country is attempting to change the behavior of another country with respect to a specific policy. This includes issues surrounding maritime and airspace borders. For example a country might use military force to :
  - - Prohibit citizens from another country from engaging in economic activities on its land or waters.
  - - End terrorist/rebel activity taking place in another (usually neighboring) country without the expressed concent of that country.
  - - Prevent another country from entering airspace it claims as its own.
- ◯ Other/None

Is there a secondary issue-type that is also underlying this dispute? If so, please select the

secondary issue type below.

- ◯ Territory
  - - A country is attempting to gain control of a land-based piece of territory that it does not currently possess.
- ◯ Regime
  - -A country is attempting to change or overthrow the government of another country.
- ◯ Policy
  - -A country is attempting to change the behavior of another country with respect to a specific policy. This includes issues surrounding maritime and airspace borders.
- ◯ No secondary issue-type

According to the news report, did the military or political officials from ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} issue an apology over the incident?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

What is the geographic location of the incident? Be as specific as possible.

If there are any non-state actors that are directly involved in the incident detailed in the news report, please enter their name below. Otherwise, enter "none." Examples include international organizations such as the United Nations or rebel groups and terrorist organizations such as Al-Qaeda. Please separate the names of actors with a semi-colon (e.g. United Nations ; Al-Qaeda)

It has been indicated that ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has used military force against ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Did ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} retaliate? In other words, based on your reading of the story, did ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} respond to ${q://QID20/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} with the use, display, or threat of military force? Please describe ${q://QID5/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s response.

It has been indicated that ${q://QID50/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has displayed military force against ${q://QID52/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Did ${q://QID52/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} retaliate? In other words, based on your reading of the story, did ${q://QID52/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} respond to ${q://QID50/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} with the use, display, or threat of military

force? Please describe ${q://QID52/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s response.

You have indicated that ${q://QID40/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} has threatened to use military force against ${q://QID41/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}. Did ${q://QID41/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} retaliate? In other words, based on your reading of the story, did ${q://QID41/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} respond to ${q://QID40/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry} with the use, display, or threat of military force? Please describe ${q://QID41/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoicesTextEntry}'s response.

In 2-3 sentences, please describe the incident you have just read about.