Web Appendix

Do-file is provided to replicate the following robustness checks.

*Robustness checks of logit models (see footnotes in Research Design and Results sections)

*including the "rogue states" variable (Cuba; 1961-, Iran; 1979-, Sudan; 1990-, Syria, North Korea, Afghanistan, Iraq; 1990-, Quaddafi Libya): a robustness check upon the Reviewer #1's comment that the results may be biased due to the existence of states that has no chance of obtaining the aid from the US.

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
Balanced Use of Force	1.53	0.59	***
Hostility Level of the Opponent State	2.73	0.52	***
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.54	0.64	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	1.01	0.38	***
Defense Alliance with the US	0.17	0.51	
Contiguity	0.14	0.49	
Rogue States	-0.22	0.63	
Constant	-17.90	2.31	***

*excluding the "balanced" variable: a robustness check upon the Reviewer #3's concern

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
Hostility Level of the Opponent State	2.99	0.54	***
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.48	0.63	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	1.01	0.38	***
Defense Alliance with the US	-0.04	0.53	
Contiguity	0.53	0.45	
Rogue States	-0.22	0.62	
Constant	-18.01	2.25	***

*including the "capability balance " variable: a robustness check upon the Reviewer #3's concern

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
Capability Balance (capA/capB)	-0.02	0.01	**
Hostility Level of the Opponent State	2.98	0.54	***
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.47	0.62	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	0.99	0.38	***
Defense Alliance with the US	0.03	0.53	
Contiguity	0.51	0.46	
Rogue States	-0.27	0.62	
Constant	-17.87	2.25	***

*including the "initiator" variable: a robustness check upon the Reviewer #3's concern

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
State A as Initiator (COW SideA)	0.83	0.31	***
Hostility Level of the Opponent State	2.96	0.54	***
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.52	0.64	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	1.03	0.38	***
Defense Alliance with the US	-0.01	0.52	
Contiguity	0.40	0.46	
Rogue States	-0.40	0.65	
Constant	-18.19	2.25	***

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
State A as Initiator (COW Revisionist)	0.79	0.35	**
Hostility Level of the Opponent State	2.92	0.54	***
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.58	0.66	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	1.00	0.38	***
Defense Alliance with the US	0.03	0.53	
Contiguity	0.36	0.47	
Rogue States	-0.37	0.65	
Constant	-18.03	2.25	***

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	Coef.	Std.Err.	
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.23	0.69	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	0.90	0.37	**
Defense Alliance with the US	-0.04	0.52	
Contiguity	0.76	0.42	**
Rogue States	-0.32	0.64	

*including the "capability balance" variable: a robustness check upon the Reviewer #3's concern

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
Capability Balance (capA/capB)	-0.03	0.01	**
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.29	0.68	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	0.89	0.37	**
Defense Alliance with the US	0.08	0.52	
Contiguity	0.74	0.42	**
Rogue States	-0.36	0.64	

*including the "initiator" variable: a robustness check upon the Reviewer #3's concern

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
State A as Initiator (COW SideA)	0.33	0.26	
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.22	0.69	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	0.90	0.37	**
Defense Alliance with the US	-0.06	0.52	
Contiguity	0.76	0.42	**
Rogue States	-0.40	0.65	

	Coef.	Std.Err.	
State A as Initiator (COW Revisionist)	0.31	0.30	
No Friendly Peacetime Relationship	1.26	0.70	**
US Foreign Military Grant/Sales	0.90	0.37	**
Defense Alliance with the US	-0.05	0.52	
Contiguity	0.74	0.42	**
Rogue States	-0.40	0.66	