

“Conformance to Norms and Status Attribution by the Community of States: The Effects of Contested versus Uncontested Norms”

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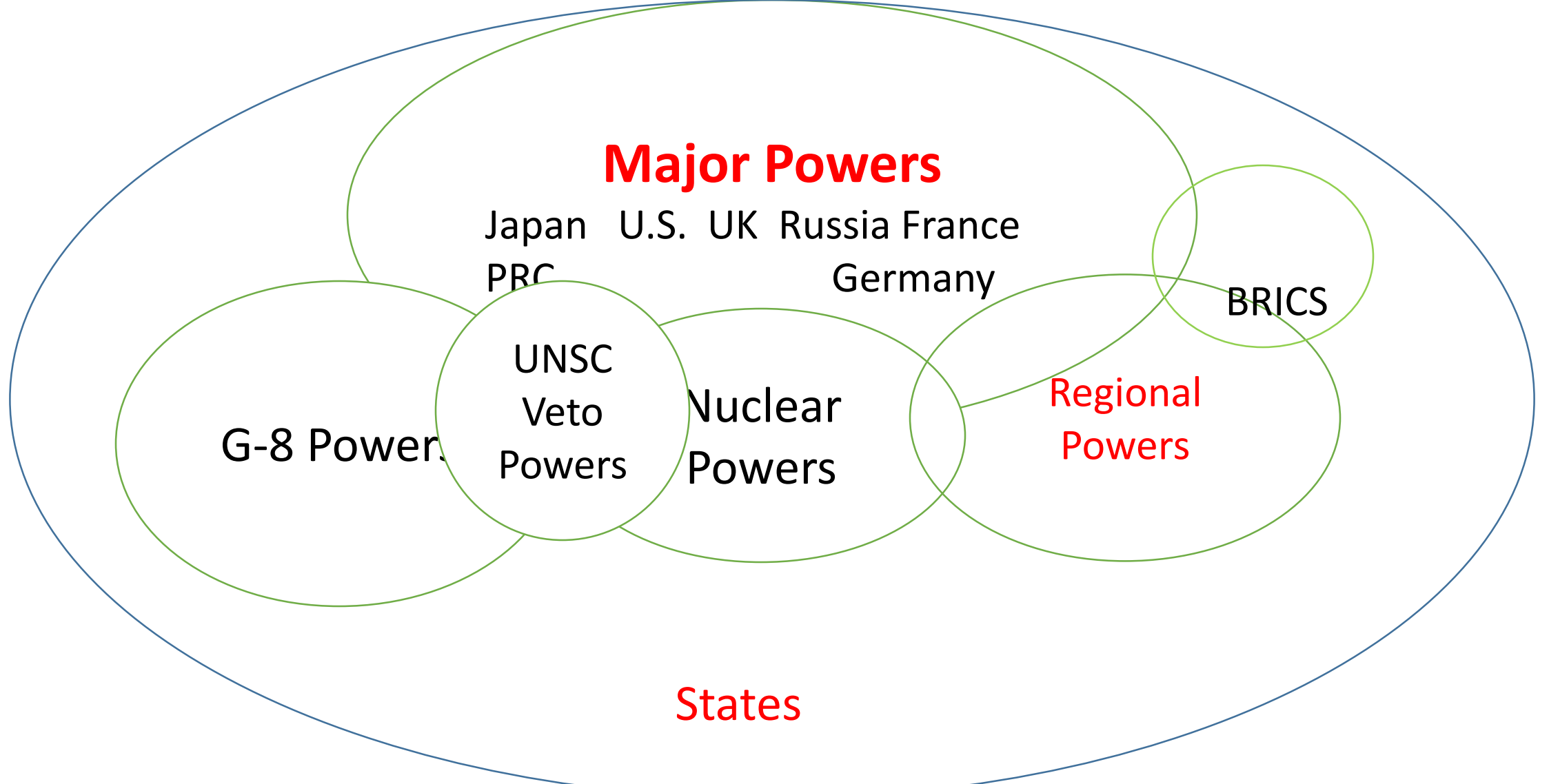
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What do we mean by Status and its Attribution?

“Based on social comparisons, status attribution is the overtly recognized hierarchical ranking within the community of states that conveys standing different from those ranked higher or lower in the group”

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1) Membership; and 2) Hierarchical ranking

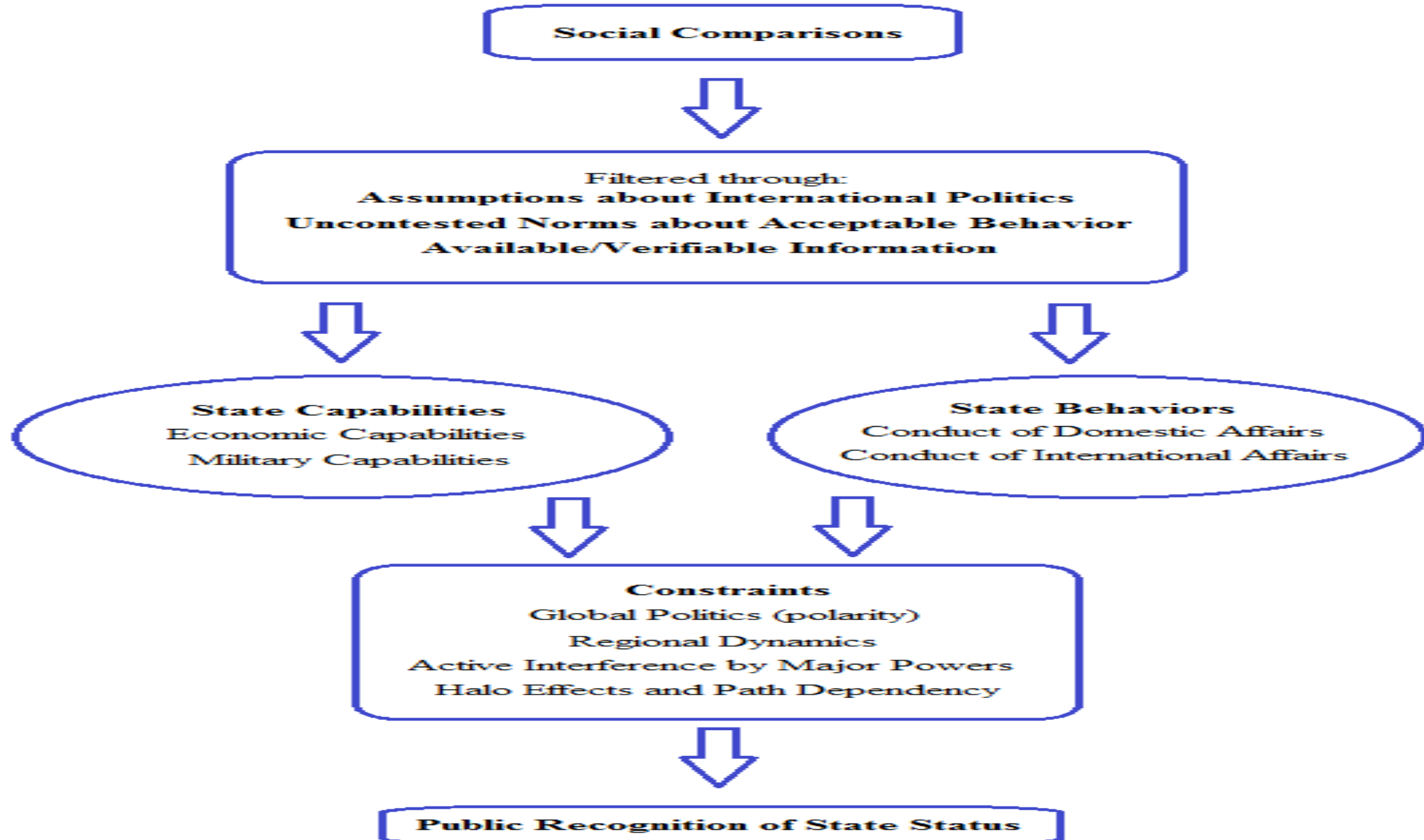


A Variety of Status Clubs In International Politics

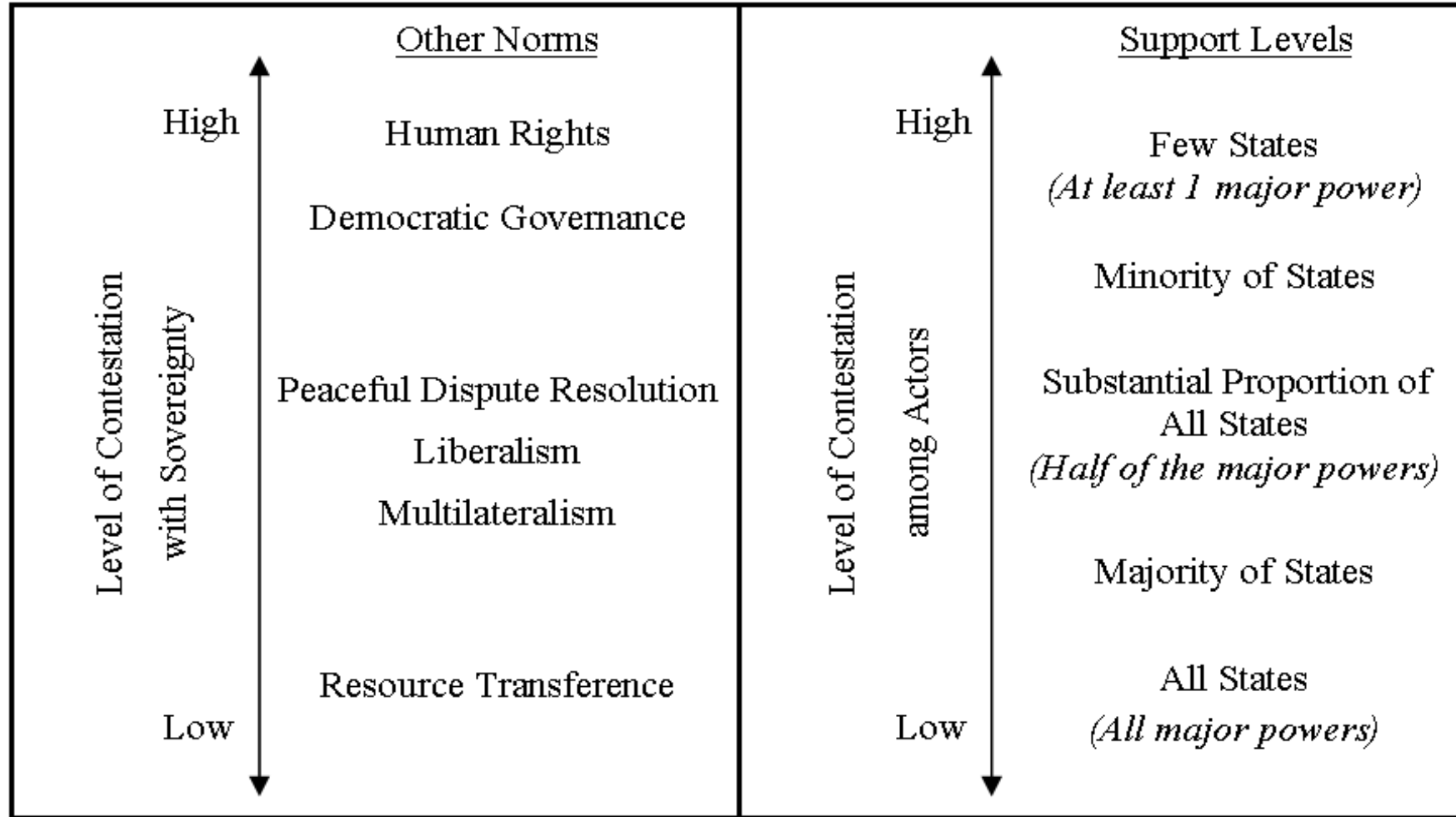
Why Do We Care?

Instrumental Consequences Ideational Consequences

A Theoretical Framework for Status Attribution.



Norm Contestation across Structure and Actors.



We examine three key hypotheses:

All else being equal:

- 1) Behavioral conformance with the foundational principles of widely accepted norms will be rewarded with additional status;
- 2) Behavioral conformance with the foundational principles of contested norms will not be rewarded with additional status;
- 3) Neither conformance with contested procedural aspects of widely accepted norms, nor conformance with the procedural aspects of contested foundational principles of norms will be rewarded with additional status.

Correspondence between each of Six Norms (Foundational Principles) and Behavior reflecting Conformance to each Norm.

Norm

Behavioral Conformance w/ Norm

Resource Transference

Bilateral Aid Donor

Economic Liberalism

Trade (Exports and Imports)

Multilateralism

Membership in IGOs

Democratic Governance

High Scores on Polity Values

Human Rights

5-Year Average <2 on Political Terror Scale

Peaceful Dispute Resolution

4, 5 Values on MIDs Initiation

Contested Norms, Uncontested Norms, and Status Attribution, 1975-2010.

	Baseline	Uncontested Norms	Contested Norms	Integrated Model
Resource Transference _{t,s}	-	0.046*	-	0.041**
		(0.018)		(.016)
Economic Liberalism _{t,s}	-	0.082**	-	0.078**
		(0.031)		(.028)
Multilateralism _{t,s}	-	0.002***	-	0.002***
		(.0005)		(.0004)
Democratic Governance _{t,s}	-	-	0.008	0.002
			(.009)	(.008)
Human Rights _{t,s}	-	-	-0.0004	0.009
			(.005)	(0.005)
Peaceful Dispute Resolution _{t,s}	-	-	0.002	0.002
			(.001)	(.001)
GDP _{t,s}	5.19e-05***	4.39e-05***	6.89e-05***	5.35e-05***
	(1.32e-05)	(9.14e-06)	(1.54e-05)	(1.06e-05)
Military Performance _{t,s}	0.459*	0.214	1.190***	.690*
	(.186)	0.136	(.339)	(.334)
Population _{t,s}	3.64e-10***	2.97e-10***	3.74e-10***	3.26e-10***
	(8.07e-11)	(7.8e-11)	(7.17e-11)	(6.8e-11)
Cold War	0.049***	0.054***	0.051***	.058***
	(.004)	(.005)	(.004)	(.005)
Time Counter	0.015***	0.004	0.017***	.005*
	(.001)	(.002)	(.002)	(.002)
Europe*	0.123**	0.079*	.117**	.073*
	(.044)	(.034)	(.043)	(.032)
Middle East*	0.135**	0.132***	.142**	.134***
	(.046)	(.036)	(.045)	(.034)
Constant	0.081	0.018	0.058	-0.016
	(.033)	(.027)	(.032)	(.026)
Observations	1018	953	882	827
Adjusted R ²	0.4672	0.7105	0.5154	0.7401
Standard Errors in Parentheses				

Substantive Impact of Behavioral Conformance to Uncontested Norms.

Norm	Statistical Value	Average Impact (all time periods)	Applied Impact
Resource Transfer (Foreign Aid)	0.046 (dummy)	+7.98 Diplomatic Contacts	1975: +6.30 Dip. Cons 2000: +7.87 Dip. Cons
Liberalism (Trade)	0.082 (dummy)	+10.69 Diplomatic Contacts	1975: +11.23 Dip. Cons 2000: +14.02 Dip. Cons
Multilateralism (IGO membership)	0.002 (per IGO)	+0.32 Diplomatic Contacts per IGO	1975: +0.27 Dip. Cons/org 2000: +0.34 Dip. Cons/org