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Principle D: The Principle of Sovereign Equality of States

- 1. All States have the right to sovereign equality, which among others, includes the following elements:
 - (a) that each State enjoys the rights inherent in full sovereignty;
 - (b) that the personality of a State is invictable as well as its territorial integrity and political independence;
 - (c) the right to determine their political status, to choose their social, economic and cultural systems and pursue their development as they see fit and to conduct their internal and external policies without intervention by any other State; and
 - (d) the right to the free disposal of their natural wealth and resources.
- Correspondingly, every State has the duty to discharge faithfully its international obligations especially to live in peace with other States.

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