



Source 1

Extracts from the Treaty of London, 1839

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How to use this source:

Study this source carefully. There are details in this source that will help you to answer the key question. As you study the source, ask yourself:

- Which countries have signed and agreed the treaty?
- Why were France and Germany interested in Belgium?
- Why did Britain see Belgian neutrality as an advantage?
- Why would Russia and Austria-Hungary be interested in Belgium?



Source 1a

Annexe

au Traité signé à Londres le 19 Avril 1839,
entre la Grande Bretagne, l'Autriche, la France,
la Prusse, et la Russie, d'une part, et la
Belgique, de l'autre part.



Source 1b

Article VII.

La Belgique, dans les limites indiquées aux Articles I, II, et IV, formera un Etat indépendant et perpétuellement neutre... Elle sera tenue d'observer cette même neutralité envers tous les autres Etats.



Source 1c

