





Independence is a condition of a nation, country, or state in which its residents and population, or some portion thereof, exercise self-governement, and usually sovereignity, over the territory. The opposite of independence is a dependent territory. Independence does not necessarily mean freedom

Political freedom (also known as a political autonomy or political agency) is a central concept in history and political thought and one of the most important features of democratic societies. It was described as freedom from oppression or coercion, the absence of disabling conditions for an individual and the fulfillment of enabling conditions, or the absence of life conditions of compulsion, e.g. economic compulsion, in a society. Although political freedom is often

interpreted negatively as the freedom from unreasonable external constraints on action, it can also refer to the positive exercise of rights, capacities and and possibilities for action, and the exercise of social or group rights. The concept can also include freedom from «☐ internal »

constraints on political action or speech (e.g. social conformity, consistency, or ${\it <\!\!\! < \!\!\! \mid}$ inauthentic ${\it >\!\!\!\! \mid}$ »

behaviour).

The concept of political freedom is closely connected with the concepts of civil liberties and human rights, which in democratic societies are usually afforded legal protection from the state

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