

ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION CAUSE AND EFFECT

WEAKNESS OF THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION	EFFECT ON PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES
CONGRESS HAD NO POWER TO TAX STATES (Article 8)	THE GOVERNMENT HAD LITTLE MONEY TO SUPPORT THE COUNTRY (schools, roads, bridges)
STATES RULED THEIR OWN TRADE (Article 2)	TRADE BETWEEN STATES WAS DIFFICULT
STATES RULED THEIR OWN CURRENCY (Article 2)	MONEY FROM ONE STATE COULDN'T BE USED IN ANOTHER STATE
CONGRESS COULD NOT CONTROL FOREIGN TRADE (2)	STATES COMPETED WITH EACH OTHER TO TRADE WITH EUROPE
NO NATIONAL COURT SYSTEM (Article 4)	NATIONAL GOVERNMENT COULDN'T SETTLE DISPUTES BETWEEN STATES
AMENDING ARTICLES REQUIRED UNANIMOUS VOTE (Article 9)	NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO AMEND THE ARTICLES
NINE STATES HAD TO AGREE FOR CONGRESS TO PASS NEW LAWS (Article 9)	PASSING NEW LAWS WAS VERY DIFFICULT
EACH STATE GOT ONE VOTE IN CONGRESS (Article 5)	SMALL STATES HAD AS MUCH SAY AS LARGER STATES
CONGRESS HAD NO POWER TO ENFORCE ITS LAWS (Article 2)	STATES DID NOT ALWAYS FOLLOW THE LAWS OF CONGRESS
NO STRONG NATIONAL MILITARY (Articles 2, 6,7)	PROTECTING THE COUNTRY WAS DIFFICULT
NATIONAL POST OFFICE WAS CREATED (Article 9)	AMERICANS COULD MAIL LETTERS FROM ONE STATE TO ANOTHER EASILY
POWER WAS SHARED EVENLY AMONG STATES (Article 5)	NO RULER WAS ABLE TO GET TOO POWERFUL
THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SET FOREIGN POLICY (Article 6)	STATES WERE TREATED EQUALLY WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES. THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT MADE A PEACE TREATY WITH FRANCE.
CONGRESS HAD NO POWER TO TAX STATES (Article 8)	TAXES ARE LOWER. EACH STATE TAXED CITIZENS THE AMOUNT NECESSARY FOR THEIR OWN STATE.