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(1b) Aggressive power “behaviors” of Country A

Country A

(1) Increased power motivation expressed

Increased sense of threat

(4) Exaggeration of power motivation perceived

Country B

Distorted attribution process

(2) Exaggeration of power motivation perceived

Increased sense of threat

(3) Increased power motivation expressed

Distorted attribution process

(3b) Aggressive power “behaviors” of Country B

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