

Country/entity	Ethiopia Ogaden
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	The United Western Somali Liberation Front (UWSLF) on the Termination of the State of Insurgency
Date	29 Jul 2010
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Ogaden peace process
Parties	- Dr. Shiferaw Teklemariam, Minister, Ministry of Federal Affairs for the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (FRDE) - Sheik Ibrahim Ahmed Hussein, UWSLF Chairman, for the United Western Somali Liberation Front (UWSLF)
Third parties	-
Description	This short agreement terminates the state of insurgency in between the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the The United Western Somali Liberation Front (UWSLF). It provides for a ceasefire, constitutional rights, integration and rehabilitation for ONLF members, right to return, and acceleration of development.

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Groups

Children/youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.

Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/ national group	<p>Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical Page 1, Untitled Preamble: ... Realizing that article 39 of the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has given full right of self determination up to and including secession to all nations, nationalities and peoples of Ethiopia;... Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive Page 2-3, Article 2: Constitutional Rights: The Parties agree that UWSLF leaders and members shall enjoy the constitutional rights enshrined in the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia that includes: ... F. Rights of Nations, Nationalities and Peoples of Ethiopia, especially the right of self determination up to and including secession according to article 39 of the Ethiopian Constitution.</p>
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/displaced persons	<p>Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical Page 3, Article 4: Right of Return: The Parties agree that, as per Article 32 of the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, this agreement calls upon all the people who have left the country because of the past conflicts between the Parties to return to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and make valuable contributions to the on-going development process.</p>
Social class	No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination Page 1, Untitled Preamble:

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Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/ unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission	No specific mention.
Political parties reform	No specific mention.
Civil society	No specific mention.
Traditional/religious leaders	No specific mention.
Public administration	No specific mention.
Constitution	<p>Governance→Constitution→Constitution affirmation/renewal</p> <p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble: Further convinced of the fact that human and democratic rights enshrined in the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia had given substantial guarantees to the peoples of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to acquire constitution rights in a peaceful manner; Realizing that article 39 of the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has given full right of self determination up to and including secession to all nations, nationalities and peoples of Ethiopia; and full fledged regional government established in the Somali region thereby laying legal and political framework for promoting equitable development and peaceful way of propagating alternative program;</p> <p>Page 2, Article 1: Article 1 Termination of the State of Insurgency: ... 3. The Parties agree that the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia shall be the basis for all rights demanded by the UWSLF. ... 5. ONLF agrees to abide by the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and all other laws of the country.</p>

Power sharing

Political power sharing	No specific mention.
Territorial power sharing	No specific mention.
Economic power sharing	No specific mention.
Military power sharing	No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	<p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble: Further convinced of the fact that human and democratic rights enshrined in the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia had given substantial guarantees to the peoples of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to acquire constitution rights in a peaceful manner;</p> <p>Page 2, Article 1: Article 1 Termination of the State of Insurgency: ... 3. The Parties agree that the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia shall be the basis for all rights demanded by the UWSLF. ... 5. ONLF agrees to abide by the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and all other laws of the country.</p>
Bill of rights/similar	<p>Page 2-3, Article 2: Constitutional Rights: The Parties agree that UWSLF leaders and members shall enjoy the constitutional rights enshrined in the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia that includes: A. Freedom of Religion, Belief and Opinion. B. Right to Development. C. Thought, Opinion and Expression. D. Right to Property. E. Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. F. Rights of Nations, Nationalities and Peoples of Ethiopia, especially the right of self determination up to and including secession according to article 39 of the Ethiopian Constitution.</p>
Treaty incorporation	<p>No specific mention.</p>

Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality
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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Other

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Socio-economic rights

Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Property

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Other

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Rights related issues

Citizenship

Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizens, specific rights

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Democracy

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Detention procedures

No specific mention.

Media and communication

No specific mention.

Mobility/access

No specific mention.

Protection measures

No specific mention.

Other

Page 3, Article 4: Right of Return:

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Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
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Page 3, Article 5: Acceleration of Development:
Recognizing the cumulative effects of underdevelopment, compounded by the destructive effects of insurgency and instabi lity in the Somali region, the Parties agree to fully cooperate in enhancing the all round development of the Somali region.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

**Water or riparian
rights or access** No specific mention.

Security sector

**Security
Guarantees** No specific mention.

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
Page 1, Untitled Preamble:
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Recognizing that the declaration of cease fire was a historic landmark in establishing long lasting peace and stability; and that it paves the way for the further development and advancement in all aspects of life;

Page 2, Article 1: Article 1 Termination of the State of Insurgency:
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Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions
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Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

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3. The Parties agree that the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia shall be the basis for all rights demanded by the UWSLF.
4. The Parties agree that both have fulfilled their commitments in compliance with terms of cease fire agreed upon at Djibouti.
5. ONLF agrees to abide by the constitution of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and all other laws of the country.
6. The ONLF agrees to work together with the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia to bring those the then ONLF remaining elements, who are not part of this process, into the peace agreement.

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Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime

No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release Page 2, Article 1: Article 1 Termination of the State of Insurgency:
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Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

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