

<b>Country/entity</b>	Myanmar
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	The Framework for Political Dialogue
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### Myanmar Conflict (1948 - )

Internal conflict, mostly along ethno-political fault lines, has been a constant feature of Myanmar since its independence in 1948. The conflict has two distinct dynamics. First a struggle between an authoritarian government and a pro-democracy opposition which has the characteristics of authoritarian conflicts; and second a struggle between the government and ethnic armed groups which has the characteristics of an identity conflict. The two oldest and strongest militias fighting the government are the Karen National Union (KNU), which has remained active since the late 1940s, and the Kachin Independence Organisation, which was formed in the early 1960s. In total, there are more than a dozen mostly ethnic-based guerrilla groups active throughout the country. Especially in the period of junta dictatorship that lasted until 2011 the government attempted to crush the rebellions, which led to numerous human rights violations. With the start of democratic reforms in the aftermath of the 2010 elections, peace negotiations have taken place and resulted in the signing of various agreements, although conflicts remain active.

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Myanmar Conflict (1948 - )

<b>Stage</b>	Pre-negotiation/process
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Myanmar 21st Century Panglong Process
<b>Parties</b>	Tatmadaw, Government, Armed Ethnic Organizations, Civil Society and stakeholders.
<b>Third parties</b>	-
<b>Description</b>	This Agreement - which remains subject to amendment, lays out the provisions for a national dialogue which will create the clauses that will eventually become the Pyidaungsu Accord.

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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**

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

Page 1, Chapter 1 Aims and Objectives

1. The aims and objectives of the Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... c. Negotiate to find answers to achieving internal peace, national reconciliation, and to ensuring all ethnic nationalities are able to live together in harmony and equality.

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... f. Collectively establish a national identity that embraces the diverse ethnicities and languages by recognizing the distinctive history, cultural practices, literature, language and national characteristics of all ethnic nationalities living within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... g. Hold inclusive political dialogue, attended by all relevant stakeholders, in accordance with the aspirations and desires of all ethnic nationalities in order to achieve lasting and sustainable peace.

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Anti-discrimination

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... d. Guarantee equal rights to all citizens who live within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, and ensure that no citizen shall be discriminated against on the basis of ethnicity, religion, culture, or gender.

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... c. Discuss matters concerning the Pyidaungsu Tatmadaw made up of all ethnic nationalities during political dialogue.

Page 3, Chapter 4, Holding Of National Political Dialogue and Union Peace Conference

... 4.1.2. Representatives of the government, parliament, Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations, registered political parties, ethnic nationalities, civil society organizations, and relevant stakeholders may participate in national political dialogue.

4.1.3. Issues under the six (6) major topics to be discussed during national political dialogue relating to ethnic nationalities, specific regions, or citizens at large may be discussed at the state and region level, or at the nationwide level.

Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

Based on the aims and objectives, and basic principles of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement and the Framework for Political Dialogue, the Union Peace Conference shall held as follows:

4.2.1. There shall be (700) total participants in the Union Peace Conference comprising: (75) representatives of the government, (75) representatives of parliament, (150) representatives of the Tatmadaw, (150) representatives of the ethnic armed organizations, (150) representatives of registered political parties, (50) ethnic representatives, and (50) relevant stakeholders.

Page 5, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

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**Religious groups** Groups→Religious groups→Rhetorical  
Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... b. Social  
... 2. Matters relating to worship and religion.  
Groups→Religious groups→Anti-discrimination  
Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles  
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Groups→Religious groups→Substantive  
Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles  
2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... e. Establish a secular state based on the principle of the separation of religion and state in order to avoid abuse of religion for political interests.

**Indigenous people** No specific mention.

**Other groups** No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced persons** No specific mention.

**Social class** No specific mention.

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## Gender

### Women, girls and gender

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

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... d. Guarantee equal rights to all citizens who live within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, and ensure that no citizen shall be discriminated against on the basis of ethnicity, religion, culture, or gender.

... j. Strive to achieve 30 percent women’s participation in political dialogue.

Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

Based on the aims and objectives, and basic principles of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement and the Framework for Political Dialogue, the Union Peace Conference shall held as follows:

... 4.2.2. The selection process of the representatives shall strive to achieve 30 percent women’s participation.

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Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue

5. ... The topics are:

... b. Social

... 4. Matters relating to human rights, gender equality, and humanitarian issues.

Page 8, Chapter 7 Organization of Political Dialogue

... 10. Topics-based Working Committees

... 10.2. Efforts shall be made to achieve 30 percent women’s participation in the Working Committees.

### Men and boys

No specific mention.

### LGBTI

No specific mention.

### Family

No specific mention.

## **State definition**

### **Nature of state (general)**

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13. Signing of the Pyidaungsu Accord

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**State configuration** [Summary] Agreement stipulates a federal arrangement.

**Self determination** Page 1, Preamble, The Framework for Political Dialogue is drafted with the objective of establishing a Union based on the principles of democracy and federalism in accordance with the outcomes of political dialogue; in the spirit of Panglong, which fully guarantees democratic rights, national equality and the right to self-determination; on the basis of liberty, equality and justice; and upholding the principles of non-disintegration of the union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of national sovereignty.

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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**

<b>Political institutions (new or reformed)</b>	Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references Page 5, Chapter 5 Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue 5. ... The topics are: a. Political ... 3. Matters relating to the practical division of judicial, executive and legislative powers of government, mutual restraint, and reforms. 4. Reforms of Union general administration.
<b>Elections</b>	Page 5, Chapter 5 Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue 5. ... The topics are: a. Political ... 5. Matters related to participation in elections.
<b>Electoral commission</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Political parties reform</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Civil society</b>	Page 3, Chapter 4, Holding Of National Political Dialogue and Union Peace Conference ... 4.1.1. Under the direction of the Working Committees, and in accordance with the roadmap laid out by the UPDJC, state and region governments, ethnic armed organizations, or civil society organizations, either individually or jointly, may hold national political dialogue. 4.1.2. Representatives of the government, parliament, Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations, registered political parties, ethnic nationalities, civil society organizations, and relevant stakeholders may participate in national political dialogue. 4.1.3. Issues under the six (6) major topics to be discussed during national political dialogue relating to ethnic nationalities, specific regions, or citizens at large may be discussed at the state and region level, or at the nationwide level.  Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference Based on the aims and objectives, and basic principles of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement and the Framework for Political Dialogue, the Union Peace Conference shall held as follows: 4.2.1. There shall be (700) total participants in the Union Peace Conference comprising: (75) representatives of the government, (75) representatives of parliament, (150) representatives of the Tatmadaw, (150) representatives of the ethnic armed organizations, (150) representatives of registered political parties, (50) ethnic representatives, and (50) relevant stakeholders.  Page 10, Chapter 8 Ratification and Implementation of the Pyidaungsu Accord 14.2. The government shall implement the provisions of the Pyidaungsu Accord. In so doing, the joint participation level of the public and civil society organizations must be increased.



**Traditional/  
religious leaders**

No specific mention.

**Public  
administration**

Page 5, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
a. Political  
... 4. Reforms of Union general administration.

**Constitution**

Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making  
Page 1, Chapter 1 Aims and Objectives  
1. The aims and objectives of the Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... d. All decisions adopted by the Union Peace Conference shall be the basis for  
amending, repealing and adding provisions to the Constitution and laws, in line with  
procedures.

Page 5, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
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Union Peace Conference.  
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a. Political  
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**Power sharing**

**Political power sharing** No specific mention.

**Territorial power sharing** Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government  
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1. Matters relating to a democratic and federal based constitution.

Page 6, Chapter (6), Decision Making in Political Dialogue,

6. To negotiate and decide in good faith any issues that may arise between and among the dialogue partners in order to achieve lasting and sustainable peace, the following will be undertaken in accordance with paragraph 1 subparagraph (h) of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.

... 6.2. Important matters submitted to the Union Peace Conference by the Working Committees including those related to the establishment of a Union based on federal principles, national security, and security reintegration must be approved by at least 75 percent of the attendees from each group, and by at least 75 percent of all the attendees.

**Economic power sharing** No specific mention.

**Military power sharing** No specific mention.

## **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL general** Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... b. Social  
... 4. Matters relating to human rights, gender equality, and humanitarian issues.

**Bill of rights/similar** No specific mention.

**Treaty incorporation** No specific mention.

**Civil and political rights**

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality

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Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Other

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

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d. Guarantee equal rights to all citizens who live within the Republic of the Union of

**Socio-economic rights** No specific mention.

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**Rights related issues**

**Citizenship** Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizen, general  
Page 3, Chapter 4, Holding Of National Political Dialogue and Union Peace Conference ... 4.1.3. Issues under the six (6) major topics to be discussed during national political dialogue relating to ethnic nationalities, specific regions, or citizens at large may be discussed at the state and region level, or at the nationwide level.

**Democracy** Page 1, Preamble, The Framework for Political Dialogue is drafted with the objective of establishing a Union based on the principles of democracy and federalism in accordance with the outcomes of political dialogue; in the spirit of Panglong, which fully guarantees democratic rights, national equality and the right to self-determination; on the basis of liberty, equality and justice; and upholding the principles of non-disintegration of the union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of national sovereignty.

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**Detention procedures** No specific mention.

**Media and communication** No specific mention.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other  
Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... 2. Matters relating to the protection against environmental and natural hazards.

**Other** No specific mention.

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### **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## Justice sector reform

**Criminal justice and emergency law** Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Reform to specific laws  
Page 3, Chapter 3, Agenda for Political Dialogue

In accordance with the agreed provisions of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement, the agenda for political dialogue is as follows:

... d. Submitting the Pyidaungsu Accord to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw for ratification.

Page 3, Chapter 3, Agenda for Political Dialogue

In accordance with the agreed provisions of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement, the agenda for political dialogue is as follows:

... e. Implementing all provisions contained in the Pyidaungsu Accord. Chapter 4

**State of emergency provisions** No specific mention.

**Judiciary and courts** Page 5, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue

5. ... The topics are:

a. Political

... 3. Matters relating to the practical division of judicial, executive and legislative powers of government, mutual restraint, and reforms.

... 6. Law and order matters.

**Prisons and detention** No specific mention.

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

<b>Development or socio-economic reconstruction</b>	<p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development</p> <p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... b. Social</p> <p>... 3. Matters relating to resettlement, rehabilitation, and development of livelihoods.</p> <p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... b. Social</p> <p>... 5. Matters relating to narcotics and mind altering drugs prevention and education.</p> <p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... c. Economic</p> <p>... 4. Matters related to regional development.</p> <p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... c. Economic</p> <p>1. Matters relating to national economic policy.</p>
<b>National economic plan</b>	<p>No specific mention.</p>
<b>Natural resources</b>	<p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... e. Land and Environmental Policies</p> <p>1. Matters relating to the management and sharing of land and natural resources.</p>
<b>International funds</b>	<p>Page 6, Chapter 5</p> <p>Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue</p> <p>5. ... The topics are:</p> <p>... c. Economic</p> <p>... 2. Matters relating to foreign investment.</p> <p>Page 10, Chapter 9 Miscellaneous</p> <p>... 17. Funding For Political Dialogue</p> <p>The Union government shall be responsible for funding the Union Peace Conference, and the national political dialogue organized by the UPDJC, Working Committees and other committees. Additionally, funding and technical assistance that are unconditional may be sought from local and foreign sources. Funding from the government, and assistance received from foreign and other sources shall be used transparently, accountably, and responsibly.</p>



**Business**

No specific mention.

**Taxation**

Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Reform of taxation

Page 6, Chapter 5

Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue

5. ... The topics are:

... c. Economic

... 3. Taxation and sharing of tax revenues.

**Banks**

Socio-economic reconstruction→Banks→Central bank

Page 6, Chapter 5

Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue

5. ... The topics are:

... c. Economic

... 5. Matters related to banking and monetary policies.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management  
Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... e. Land and Environmental Policies

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

**Cultural heritage** Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Promotion  
Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles  
2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... f. Collectively establish a national identity that embraces the diverse ethnicities and languages by recognizing the distinctive history, cultural practices, literature, language and national characteristics of all ethnic nationalities living within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... b. Social  
1. Matters relating to the promotion and teaching of ethnic nationalities' history; matters relating to ethnic literature, culture, language, and customs; and education and health matters.

**Environment** Page 6, Chapter 5  
Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue  
5. ... The topics are:  
... e. Land and Environmental Policies  
... 2. Matters relating to the protection against environmental and natural hazards.

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

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## **Security sector**

### **Security Guarantees**

Page 1, Chapter 1 Aims and Objectives

1. The aims and objectives of the Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... b. Negotiate to peacefully resolve any political, economic, social and security-related developments.

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles

2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:

... i. Undertake efforts to protect lives and property and improve the livelihoods of all persons living within the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

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Topics To Be Discussed In Political Dialogue

5. ... The topics are:

... d. Security

1. Matters related to national security.
2. Matters related to security reintegration.

### **Ceasefire**

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Page 3, Chapter 3, Agenda for Political Dialogue

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Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

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Page 6, Chapter (6), Decision Making in Political Dialogue,

6. To negotiate and decide in good faith any issues that may arise between and among the dialogue partners in order to achieve lasting and sustainable peace, the following will be undertaken in accordance with paragraph 1 subparagraph (h) of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.

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7. Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee (UPDJC)

The Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee (UPDJC) is formed in accordance with the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement (NCA) with the aim of successfully holding political dialogue.

Page 10, Chapter 9 Miscellaneous

... 18. Amending the Framework for Political Dialogue

If a provision of the Framework for Political Dialogue requires amending, the UPDJC may amend the provision after discussion. Any amendments to the Framework for Political Dialogue shall not contradict the provisions of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement.

### **Police**

No specific mention.

**Armed forces**

Note: Myanmar Armed Forces are known as Tatmadaw.

Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

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7. Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee (UPDJC)

7.1. Formation

The UPDJC is formed with equal numbers of the representatives of the government, parliament, and Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations that are signatories to the NCA, and registered political parties.

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8. Secretariat

The Secretariat shall be formed with representatives of the government, parliament, Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations, and at most (15) representatives of registered political parties. The UPDJC shall prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the Secretariat.

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Ratification and Implementation of the Pyidaungsu Accord

... 15. Implementation

14.1. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Pyidaungsu Accord, Parliament, Tamadaw and government ministries shall, in their respective capacities, pass new laws, and amend or repeal existing laws.

**DDR**

No specific mention.

**Intelligence services**

No specific mention.

**Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces**

Page 3, Chapter 4, Holding Of National Political Dialogue and Union Peace Conference ... 4.1.1. Under the direction of the Working Committees, and in accordance with the roadmap laid out by the UPDJC, state and region governments, ethnic armed organizations, or civil society organizations, either individually or jointly, may hold national political dialogue.

4.1.2. Representatives of the government, parliament, Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations, registered political parties, ethnic nationalities, civil society organizations, and relevant stakeholders may participate in national political dialogue.

4.1.3. Issues under the six (6) major topics to be discussed during national political dialogue relating to ethnic nationalities, specific regions, or citizens at large may be discussed at the state and region level, or at the nationwide level.

Page 4, Chapter 4, 4.2. Union Peace Conference

Based on the aims and objectives, and basic principles of the Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement and the Framework for Political Dialogue, the Union Peace Conference shall held as follows:

4.2.1. There shall be (700) total participants in the Union Peace Conference comprising: (75) representatives of the government, (75) representatives of parliament, (150) representatives of the Tatmadaw, (150) representatives of the ethnic armed organizations, (150) representatives of registered political parties, (50) ethnic representatives, and (50) relevant stakeholders.

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7. Union Peace Dialogue Joint Committee (UPDJC)

7.1. Formation

The UPDJC is formed with equal numbers of the representatives of the government, parliament, and Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations that are signatories to the NCA, and registered political parties.

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8. Secretariat

The Secretariat shall be formed with representatives of the government, parliament, Tatmadaw, ethnic armed organizations, and at most (15) representatives of registered political parties. The UPDJC shall prescribe the duties and responsibilities of the Secretariat.

**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** No specific mention.

**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** No specific mention.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** Page 1, Chapter 1 Aims and Objectives  
1. The aims and objectives of the Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... c. Negotiate to find answers to achieving internal peace, national reconciliation, and to ensuring all ethnic nationalities are able to live together in harmony and equality.

Page 2, Chapter 2, Basic Principles  
2. The basic principles for all stages of political dialogue based on this Framework for Political Dialogue are:  
... b. Reach a negotiated settlement to end protracted armed conflict in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, and establish a new political culture of resolving political conflicts through political dialogue instead of force of arms.

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## **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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