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**Country/entity** Bosnia and Herzegovina

Yugoslavia (former)

**Region** Europe and Eurasia

**Agreement name** General Headquarters of the Army of Bosnia and Herzegovina (ABiH) and General

Headquarters of the Croatian Defense Council (HVO): a signed agreement between the

head of GHQ of the ABiH and head of GHQ of HVO

**Date** 11 Feb 1993

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

## Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001)

#### Former Yugoslavia

The disintegration of former Yugoslavia post cold war saw conflicts which became mediated and produced peace agreements in Slovenia (where the brief independence conflict was mediated by the EC Troika in 1991), Croatia (between Croatian and Serb populations 1991-1995), in Bosnia (between Croatian, Serb and Bosniak populations 1992-1995), in Macedonia (where mediation played a key pre-emptive role in preventing large scale conflict in 2001), in Kosovo (between Kosovar Albanians and Serbian population and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY), but also between FRY and NATO, 1998-1999), and a conflict in the Presevo Valley (between Albanians in South Serbia and FRY, 2000-2001). The continued fall-out of the disintegration of former Yugoslavia also saw mediated agreement and ultimate dissolution of the Union between Serbia and Montenegro.

#### Bosnia-Herzegovina

In 1991, after nationalist parties won the first multi-party elections in the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, a violent process of disintegration commenced. With its mixed population, Bosnia-Herzegovina became the centre of the following civil war that began in 1992 between the newly formed army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (mostly Muslim Bosniacs), and the parastatal forces of self-declared Bosnian Croat (Herzeg-Bosnia) and Bosnian Serb (Republika Srpska) entities within Bosnia-Herzegovina, supported by Croatia and Serbia, with various, often short-lived, coalitions. The General Framework Agreement (Dayton Peace Agreement), signed in 1995, split the country into two ethno-federal entities, the Bosniak-Croat Federation and the Republika Srpska, and included continued peacekeeping and institutional administration by international actors.

#### Kosovo

The conflict between Serbs and Kosovar Albanians has a long history and always involved territorial disputes as well as ethno-political, cultural and linguistic factors. The most recent phase of the conflict began in November 1997 when the Albanian Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA or UCK) began their campaign for the independence of Kosovo from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY – then Serbia and Montenegro). The subsequent war lasted until the NATO intervention, which undertook bombing campaigns of Belgrade and other places in Serbia during spring 1999. The main agreements solving the conflict were internationally driven and, finally, a UNSC resolution imposed a post-conflict arrangement in the wake of what was essentially a NATO military victory. In February 2008, Kosovo's parliament declared independence, but independence is still internationally disputed.

Close

Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001)

**Stage** Implementation/renegotiation

**Conflict nature** Government/territory

**Peace process** Bosnia peace process

**Parties** Head of General Headquarters of ABiH: Sefer Halilovic

Head of General Headquarters of HVO: Milivoj Petkovic

Third parties -

**Description** This agreement establishes a joint command and coordination team between the Army

of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the HVO in Central Bosnia. It also provides for returning

local people to their homes,

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language)

**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 No specific mention.

**Religious groups** No specific mention.

**Indigenous people** No specific mention.

**Other groups** No specific mention.

# **Refugees/displaced** Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive

persons

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governmental authorities).

**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

No specific mention.

(general)

**State configuration** No specific mention.

**Self determination** No specific mention.

**Referendum** No specific mention.

**State symbols** No specific mention.

Independence/
secession

No specific mention.

Accession/

No specific mention.

unification

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

Cross-border

No specific mention.

provision

#### Governance

**Political** No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

**Elections** No specific mention.

**Electoral** 

commission

No specific mention.

Political parties reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** 

No specific mention.

Traditional/

No specific mention.

religious leaders

**Public** No specific mention.

administration

**Constitution** No specific mention.

#### **Power sharing**

Political power sharing

No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing

No specific mention.

Economic power sharing

No specific mention.

# Military power sharing

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Joint command structures Page 1, 1)

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# **Human rights and equality**

 $\textbf{Human rights/RoL} \quad \text{No specific mention}.$ 

general

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

**Treaty** No specific mention.

incorporation

**Civil and political** No specific mention.

rights

**Socio-economic** No specific mention.

rights

#### **Rights related issues**

**Citizenship** No specific mention.

**Democracy** No specific mention.

Detention procedures

No specific mention.

Media and communication

Rights related issues→Media and communication→Other

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All commanders are to implement communication measures in their areas of responsibility so that the lines of communication become open and able to operate normally, as soon as possible. In case of any impediment to free and uninterrupted communications, they are to immediately report to ABiH GHQ and HVO GHQ...

Mobility/access Page 1-2, 5)

...All stopped transports are to be allowed to pass through, and impounded goods to be

returned to their owners.

Protection measures

No specific mention.

**Other** No specific mention.

**Rights institutions** 

**NHRI** No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions

No specific mention.

#### **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and** No specific mention. **emergency law** 

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

**Judiciary and** 

No specific mention.

courts

Prisons and detention

No specific mention.

Traditional Laws

No specific mention.

#### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

Development or

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

National economic No specific mention.

plan

**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/** No specific mention.

 $nomadism\ rights$ 

**Cultural heritage** No specific mention.

**Environment** No specific mention.

Water or riparian

No specific mention.

rights or access

**Security sector** 

**Security** No specific mention.

Guarantees

**Ceasefire** No specific mention.

**Police** No specific mention.

#### Armed forces

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#### **DDR**

No specific mention.

# Intelligence services

No specific mention.

# Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

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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**

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general

**Amnesty/pardon** No specific mention.

**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** Page 1, 1)

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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 No specific mention.

signatory

Referendum for

No specific mention.

agreement

International

mission/force/

similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

No specific mention.

Related cases

No specific mention.

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