

<b>Country/entity</b>	Mali
<b>Region</b>	Africa (excl MENA)
<b>Agreement name</b>	Commitment to a unilateral ceasefire from Youssouf Toloba and his armed group, Dan Nan Ambassagou
<b>Date</b>	27 Sep 2018
<b>Agreement status</b>	Unilateral document
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/local conflict
<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Inter-group
<b>Peace process</b>	Mali Local Processes

<b>Parties</b>	<p>For the Dan Nan Ambassagou group</p> <p>For the general staff</p> <p>Youssouf TOLOBA</p> <p>For national coordination</p> <p>Mamoudou GOUDIENKILE</p> <p>For the Bankass coordination</p> <p>Oumar GUINDO</p> <p>For the Douentza coordination</p> <p>Seydou MAIGA</p> <p>For the Bandiagara coordination</p> <p>Boureima SAGARA</p> <p>For the Koro coordination</p> <p>Alhaty KAMOKO</p>
<b>Third parties</b>	<p>Unsigned, but agreement refers to mediation process undertaken by the Center for Humanitarian Dialogue</p>

**Description** Short unilateral ceasefire declaration in which Dan Nan Ambassagou, a non-state armed group led by Youssouf Toloba, commits itself to immediately stop perpetrating violence. The group declares to sanction violations committed by its members, to oppose theft, and to raise awareness of the benefits of peace. It also calls on the Malian state and its partners to, among other things, provide humanitarian assistance, accelerate the DDR process, and support the families of conflict victims.

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<b>Agreement document</b>	<p><a href="#">ML_180927_Engagement en faveur d'un cessez-le-feu unilateral de Youssouf TOLOBA et son groupe arme de Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU_tr.pdf (opens in new tab)</a>   <a href="#">Download PDF</a></p>
<b>Agreement document (original language)</b>	<p><a href="#">ML_180927_Engagement en faveur d'un cessez-le-feu unilateral de Youssouf TOLOBA et son groupe arme de Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU.pdf (opens in new tab)</a></p>

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**Groups**

**Children/youth**

Groups→Children/youth→Substantive

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- The State of Mali to accelerate the implementation of the Algiers Agreement by completing the Demobilization, Disarmament and Reintegration process (DDR), and to put in place a process to demobilize key armed figures who have links to various parts of the communities.

This DDR process will help to recover a significant number of young people who fuel violence on behalf of their community, and help to catalogue and recover weapons circulating in the area.

**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  
persons** No specific mention.

**Social class** No specific mention.

## Gender

**Women, girls and gender** No specific mention.

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** Page 2, Chapter II: Strengthening the peace process between the Dogon and Peuhl communities

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- The State to provide specific support to the families of the victims (who died during clashes);

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## State definition

**Nature of state (general)** No specific mention.

**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/unification** No specific mention.

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

**Cross-border provision** No specific mention.

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**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**

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- The authorities to strengthen traditional and religious establishments at a local level so that they are able, once again, to work to prevent and manage tensions and conflicts in an impartial manner.

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Section III: Respect of customs by the communities

Article 6:

Youssouf TOLOBA and his armed group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU are committed to restoring the moral authority of traditional and religious establishments, to enable them to play their role effectively in the appeasement of social tensions and aid of peaceful coexistence.

**Public  
administration**

No specific mention.

**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** No specific mention.

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## **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL general** No specific mention.

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

**Treaty incorporation** No specific mention.

**Civil and political rights** No specific mention.

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



## **Rights related issues**

<b>Citizenship</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Democracy</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Detention procedures</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Media and communication</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Mobility/access</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Protection measures</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Other</b>	No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

<b>NHRI</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Regional or international human rights institutions</b>	No specific mention.

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## **Justice sector reform**

<b>Criminal justice and emergency law</b>	No specific mention.
<b>State of emergency provisions</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Judiciary and courts</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Prisons and detention</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Traditional Laws</b>	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→Humanitarian assistance</p> <p>Page 2, Chapter II: Strengthening the peace process between the Dogon and Peuhl communities</p> <p>Section I: Commitment to a ceasefire and negotiations</p> <p>Page 3...</p> <p>Article 3:</p> <p>To support efforts for peaceful coexistence between the communities, Youssouf TOLOSA and his armed group Dan Nan AMSASSAGOU ask:</p> <p>- The State of Mali and its partners to work to provide humanitarian assistance commensurate with the needs of all communities in the area affected by the crisis: food aid, medical care, repair, construction and rehabilitation of basic social infrastructures (health structures, schools, water points, etc.). They also ask for support for economic recovery through the financing of activities such as cattle trade, transport, stock rebuilding, and so on.</p>
<b>National economic plan</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Natural resources</b>	No specific mention.
<b>International funds</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Business</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Taxation</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Banks</b>	No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management  
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Section II: Access to pastoral resources (water points, passage of animals etc.)

Article 4:

Apart from the theft and looting of the cattle, the exclusion of certain users from access to water points is one of the major causes of conflicts in the area. Thus, Youssouf TOLOBA and his armed group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU commit to no longer interfere with conflicts relating to accessing natural resources and to let the authorities manage these. He also states that revitalizing traditional spatial management mechanisms will be an important tool in the peaceful use of pastoral resources.

Article 5:

Youssouf TOLOBA and his group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU ask the national and regional authorities to organize campaigns to promote local pastoral resource management conventions

**Pastoralist/  
nomadism rights**

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Youssouf TOLOBA and his militia group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU recognize that the following events are the origin of the tensions / conflicts in the area:

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- Frustration due to unresolved or badly resolved conflicts regarding access to natural resources that are shared between communities.

**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

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Section I: Commitment to a ceasefire and negotiations

Article 1:

With this commitment, Youssouf TOLOBA and his Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU armed group declare a unilateral ceasefire for the peaceful coexistence of the area's communities.

Article 2:

With a view to the effective implementation of the unilateral ceasefire, Youssouf TOLOSA and his

armed group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU commit themselves to:

- Stop all military clashes for any reason;
- Make a strong appeal to its fighters to immediately stop any violence and to report to the competent military authorities in the event of threats or attacks;
- Sanction any violations of the present ceasefire that may be committed by its members;
- Strongly condemn any acts of aggression and violence committed by members of their community;
- Oppose the theft / plundering of livestock regardless of its ownership;
- Raise awareness among young people and opinion leaders about the benefits of Peace;
- Urge the authorities to take all necessary measures to ensure the security of persons and their property in the area concerned and in the entire region of Mopti;

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- Support legitimate figures at a local level to help find amicable solutions to communities coexisting.

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Chapter III: General Conditions and Recommendations

Article 8:

To ensure the implementation of this commitment, a monitoring committee will be set up. It will meet Youssouf TOLOBA, representatives of his Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU armed group and of communities benefiting from his cause.

This committee will have the following mission:

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- Ensure the implementation of this commitment with by combatants and the communities. Prevent

<b>Police</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Armed forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>DDR</b>	<p>Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes  Page 2, Chapter II: Strengthening the peace process between the Dogon and Peuhl communities</p> <p>Section I: Commitment to a ceasefire and negotiations</p> <p>Page 3...</p> <p>Article 3:</p> <p>To support efforts for peaceful coexistence between the communities, Youssouf TOLOSA and his armed group Dan Nan AMSASSAGOU ask:</p> <p>...</p> <p>- The State of Mali to accelerate the implementation of the Algiers Agreement by completing the Demobilization, Disarmament and Reintegration process (DDR), and to put in place a process to demobilize key armed figures who have links to various parts of the communities.  This DDR process will help to recover a significant number of young people who fuel violence on behalf of their community, and help to catalogue and recover weapons circulating in the area.</p>
<b>Intelligence services</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Withdrawal of foreign forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Corruption</b>	No specific mention.

**Crime/organised crime**

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Youssouf TOLOBA and his militia group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU recognize that the following events

are the origin of the tensions / conflicts in the area:

- Attacks and repeated looting of villages and hamlets by armed individuals;
- Targeted assassinations of hunters and influential personalities; Massive theft of cattle;
- Attacking travellers;

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Article 2:

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armed group Dan Nan AMBASSAGOU commit themselves to:

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- Oppose the theft / plundering of livestock regardless of its ownership;

**Drugs**

No specific mention.

**Terrorism**

No specific mention.

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**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.



<b>Missing persons</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Reparations</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Reconciliation</b>	<p>Page 4, Chapter II: Strengthening the peace process between the Dogon and Peuhl communities</p> <p>Section III: Respect of customs by the communities</p> <p>...</p> <p>Article 7:</p> <p>To build trust between communities and community groups, governments and partners need to increase inter- and intra-community activities in the area.</p>

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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.

**Source** Agreement held on file.

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