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| <b>Country/entity</b>           | Armenia<br>Azerbaijan<br>Nagorno-Karabakh   |
| <b>Region</b>                   | Europe and Eurasia  |
| <b>Agreement name</b>           | Trilateral Statement of the leaders of Azerbaijan, Russian Federation and Armenia |
| <b>Date</b>                     | 31 Oct 2022   |
| <b>Agreement status</b>         | Multiparty signed/agreed  |
| <b>Interim arrangement</b>      | Yes   |
| <b>Agreement/conflict level</b> | Interstate/interstate conflict  |

### **Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (1991 - )**

The territory of Nagorno-Karabakh has been a long-standing object of dispute between Armenia and Azerbaijan. During the existence of USSR, the territory was assigned to Azerbaijan, starting in 1921. After decades of disagreements over the status of Nagorno-Karabakh, and in the wake of Gorbachev's policies of political openness, the protests by Armenians in the region escalated into violent conflict in 1990, exacerbated by the central government's inability to control the republics as the USSR itself was on the verge of collapse. The Autonomous Region (Oblast) of Nagorno-Karabakh (NKAO) proclaimed independence from Azerbaijan in 1991, after the Parliament of the Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic voted to abolish the Oblast. The territory itself is populated by ethnic Armenians, but surrounded by territories with an Azeri majority. The territory proclaimed independence, with the support of Armenia, and incorporating the areas that surround it, but has never gained international recognition and remains a de jure part of Azerbaijan. The violence intensified, leading to an estimated overall death toll of 30 000. After several attempts at mediation, the opposing sides agreed to a ceasefire in May 1994, but the situation has not been resolved to date and the violence had briefly resumed in the spring of 2016. The initial ceasefire in 1994 was the outcome of the so-called "Minsk process", overseen by OSCE, with the participation of Russia, France, and the US.

Close  
Nagorno-Karabakh Conflict (1991 - )

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| <b>Stage</b>           | Implementation/renegotiation  |
| <b>Conflict nature</b> | Territory   |
| <b>Peace process</b>   | Armenia-Azerbaijan-Nagorno Karabakh: OSCE Minsk Process   |
| <b>Parties</b>         | Page 2. President of the Republic of Azerbaijan I. G. Alityev.<br>Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia, N. V. Pashinyan. |

**Third parties** Page 2. Agreement witnessed by: President of the Russian Federation, V. V. Putin.

**Description** Agreement reaffirming commitment to implement previous tri-lateral statements, including ceasefire.

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**Agreement document** [AM\\_AZ\\_221031\\_Trilateral Statement of the leaders of Azerbaijan, Russian.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#) | [Download PDF](#)

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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** 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.

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### Gender

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

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

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**State definition**

**Nature of state (general)** Page 1, para 4. [We] agreed to refrain from the use of force or the threat of its use, to discuss and resolve all problematic issues solely on the basis of mutual recognition of sovereignty, territorial integrity and inviolability of borders in accordance with the UN Charter and the Alma-Ata Declaration of 1991.

**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.

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| <b>Civil society</b>                      | No specific mention. |
| <b>Traditional/<br/>religious leaders</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Public<br/>administration</b>          | No specific mention. |
| <b>Constitution</b>                       | No specific mention. |

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### **Power sharing**

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| <b>Political power<br/>sharing</b>   | No specific mention. |
| <b>Territorial power<br/>sharing</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Economic power<br/>sharing</b>    | No specific mention. |
| <b>Military power<br/>sharing</b>    | No specific mention. |

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### **Human rights and equality**

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| <b>Human rights/RoL<br/>general</b>   | No specific mention. |
| <b>Bill of rights/similar</b>         | No specific mention. |
| <b>Treaty<br/>incorporation</b>       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Civil and political<br/>rights</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Socio-economic<br/>rights</b>      | No specific mention. |

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### **Rights related issues**

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| <b>Citizenship</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Democracy</b>   | No specific mention. |

**Detention procedures** No specific mention.

**Media and communication** No specific mention.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** No specific mention.

**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** 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.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or socio-economic reconstruction** Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance  
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**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.

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## **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.

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## **Security sector**

### **Security Guarantees**

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### **Ceasefire**

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

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Ceasefire renewal from previous agreements, does not specify date and time on which ceasefire begins, whether the ceasefire is temporary or permanent.

### **Police**

No specific mention.

### **Armed forces**

No specific mention.

### **DDR**

No specific mention.

### **Intelligence services**

No specific mention.

### **Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces**

No specific mention.

### **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** No specific mention.

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## **Implementation**

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international signatory** Page 2. President of the Russian Federation, V. V. Putin.

**Referendum for agreement** No specific mention.

**International mission/force/similar** Page 1, para 3. Noting the key contribution of the Russian peacekeeping contingent ensuring security in the zone of its deployment, the relevance of its efforts to stabilize the situation in the region was emphasized.

**Enforcement mechanism** No specific mention.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

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