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Country/entity Uganda

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Agreement on Implementation and Monitoring Mechanisms

Date 29 Feb 2008

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

Ugandan Conflicts (1970 -)

Uganda has long experienced tensions along ethnic, religious and national lines. On independence in 1962, Ugandan politics were defined by smaller monarchies, among which the Southern Kingdom of Buganda dominated the national sphere. Resistance to this system was the campaign platform of the Uganda People's Congress (UPC) led by Milton Obote, who won the 1962 elections. Tension between the Buganda's ruler King Mutesa II and Obote with his then-ally Idi Amin, led to Obote changing the constitution, abolishing the monarchic system and thus, centralizing power. However, a split between Obote and Amin eventually led to a military coup d'état in 1970, which brought Amin the presidency where he instituted his genocidal regime.

Despite economic collapse, President Amin was only removed from power following a failed attempt at invading Tanzania in 1979, whereby the Tanzanian counter-attack alongside forces loyal to former-President Obote toppled Amin. Authoritarianism continued under the new regime, after Obote won the 1980 elections under dubious circumstances, and in 1985, Obote was once again deposed in a coup. Out of the fray, Yoweri Museveni and the National Resistance Army (NRA) captured the presidency in 1986 and began instituting economic and democratic reforms.

Resistance to Museveni, however, continued with various insurgencies across the country including by former-supporters of President Obote or President Amin. Other insurgencies based on chiliastic beliefs based on the return of Jesus Christ, most notably the Holy Spirit Movement, fought in the late 1980s before splintering into several smaller factions. One such faction later became the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) led by Joseph Kony. Many of the 22 or more insurgency groups estimated to contain more than 40,000 insurgents, operate from across the Ugandan border and are based in either South Sudan or the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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Ugandan Conflicts (1970 -

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Stage Implementation/renegotiation

Conflict nature Government

Peace process Uganda peace process

Parties Hon. Ruhakana Rugunda (Dr) Minister of Internal Affairs and Head of GoU Delegation.

Dr David Nyekorach Matsanga, Leader of the LRA/M Delegation.

Third parties Witnessed by:

H.E. Lt. General Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon (PhD), Vice President, Government of Southern Sudan and Chief Mediator of the Peace Talks.

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H.E. Bryan E. Burton, for the Government of Canada.

Mr Timothy R. Shortley, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, for the Government of the United States of America.

Description

This agreement concerns the monitoring and implementation mechanisms of the Final Peace Agreement. Implementation mechanisms include, an Oversight Forum and a Joint Liaison Group, supported by the chief mediator. A transitional period of one month shall start immediately after the signing of the Final Peace Agreement. Finally, on the basis of the steps taken under clause 36, the Government shall request the UN Security Council to adopt a resolution under Chapter VII of the Charter of the UN, requesting the ICC to defer all investigations and prosecutions against the leaders of the Lord's Resistance Army.

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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 No specific mention.

persons

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and Page 2, Implementation Commitments and Monitoring

gender

5. In the monitoring and verification, gender sensitive mechanisms shall

be adopted.

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/

No specific mention.

secession

Accession/ No specific mention.

unification

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision

No specific mention.

Governance

Political No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral No specific mention.

commission

Political parties

reform

No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/ No specific mention. **religious leaders**

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Public No specific mention.

administ ration

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power

No specific mention.

sharing

Territorial power

sharing

No specific mention.

Economic power

No specific mention.

sharing

Military power

No specific mention.

sharing

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL 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

No specific mention.

communication

Mobility/access

No specific mention.

Protection

No specific mention.

measures

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 Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Criminal Justice System **emergency law** reform

Page 6, The Government's Obligations

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division of the High Court.

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

Judiciary and courts

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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 rights or access

No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees

No specific mention.

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Page 6-7, the LRA's Obligations

40. During the Transitional Period, the LRA shall observe the Permanent Ceasefire agreed

upon and fully assemble in Ri-Kwang-Ba.

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

No specific mention.

DDR

Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes

Page 6, Transitional Period

35. Immediately upon the signing of the Final Peace Agreement a Transitional period of one (1) month shall commence, during which the Parties shall prepare for the DDR

process and for accountability in Uganda.

Page 6-7, the LRA's Obligations

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41. The DDR process shall begin after the Transitional Period.

Page 7, Dissolution of the LRA/M

 $48. \ Upon \ the \ Disarmament \ and \ Mobilisation \ of LRA \ members \ under \ the \ Agreement \ on$

DDR, the LRA/M shall stand dissolved.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

Page 6-7, the LRA's Obligations

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42. The LRA in Uganda shall surface in accordance with clause 8.3 of the Agreement on

Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration.

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 No specific mention.

general

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts Transitional justice→Courts→International courts

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37. On the basis of the steps taken under clause 36 of this Agreement, the Government shall request the UN Security Council to adopt a resolution under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, requesting the International Criminal Court to defer all investigations and prosecutions against the leaders of the Lord's Resistance Army.

38. The Government shall give to the ICC a comprehensive report on the Juba Peace Process, the progress on the implementation of the Agreement on Accountability and Reconciliation.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting

No specific mention.

Victims

Page 7, Miscellaneous Provisions

46. The Provision of clauses 26, 27, and 28 of the Protocol to the Agreement on Comprehensive Solutions (relating to victims and vulnerable groups) shall not be subject

to clause 34 of that agreement (relating to commencement of implementation).

Missing persons

No specific mention.

Reparations

No specific mention.

Reconciliation

Page 4, The Chief Mediator

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23. The office of the Chief Mediator shall provide the LRA with legal advice and support on issues relevant to the implementation of the Final Peace Agreement, in particular on questions of accountability and reconciliation.

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Implementation

UN signatory

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Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

International mission/force/ similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

The Agreement deals with implementation and enforcement mechanisms in its entirety.

Page 2, Implementation Commitments and Monitoring

- 3. The Parties agree that mechanisms are required for the implementation and monitoring of the Final Peace Agreement.
- 4. The Parties shall agree an Implementation Schedule which shall be attached to the Final Peace Agreement. The Schedule shall set out the dates and timeframes within which the Parties and any implementers of the Final Peace Agreement should undertake their commitments.
- 5. In the monitoring and verification, gender sensitive mechanisms shall be adopted.
- 6. The Government will solicit additional resources for implementing the Final Peace Agreement.

Page 3, The Oversight Forum

- 7. There shall be established an Oversight Forum to oversee and monitor the implementation of the Final Peace Agreement and to provide advice and support to the Parties and any relevant institutions established under the Final Peace Agreement.
- 8. The Oversight Forum shall be responsible for addressing any disputes arising between the Parties and in the work of the JLG or generally in the implementation of the Final Peace Agreement.
- 9. The Forum may, as appropriate, request reports from the Parties, the JLG, the Ceasefire Monitoring Team, and any other institutions or actor implementing the Final Peace Agreement.
- 10. The Oversight Forum shall promote confidence-building measures between the Parties and the Parties undertake to cooperate with these measures.
- 11. The Forum shall operate for a period of nine (9) months which may be extended in consultation with the Government.

Page 3, Composition

- 12. The Oversight Forum shall be composed of the following Members:
- (a) The Chief Mediator, who shall chair the Forum; and,
- (b) the Special Envoy of the United Nations Secretary General (SESG) for LRA affected areas, who shall speak on behalf of the Forum.
- 13. The following shall be invited to join the Forum:
- (a) One (1) representative from each of the African Union observer countries; and,

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(b) One (1) representative from the European Union and one (1) representative from each

Related cases No specific mention.

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