

Country/entity Kenya

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Kenya National Dialogue and Reconciliation: Public Statement

Date 4 Feb 2008

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim arrangement Yes

Agreement/conflict level Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Kenyan Post-Electoral Violence (2007 - 2008)

The conflict emerged as post-election violence. After the incumbent President Kibaki was declared the winner of the Kenyan presidential elections in December 2007, complaints of fraud and a structural disadvantage affecting his competitor Raila Odinga lead to outbreaks of severe ethno-political violence. After the first incidents in the Rift Valley region, mainly directed against the Kikuyu ethnic group – the traditional powerbase of Kibaki – the fighting spread to the cities of Nairobi and Mombasa. After two months, Kibaki and Odinga agreed on a power-sharing agreement that granted Odinga the post as a Prime Minister and ended the violence.

Close

Kenyan Post-Electoral Violence (2007 - 2008)

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict nature Government

Peace process Kenya peace process

Parties Government (PNU-Party National Unity) and ODM (Orange Democratic Movement); Government (PNU-Party National Unity) signed by Hon. Martha Karua, Hon. Sam Ongeru, Hon Tutula Kilonwo, Hon. Moses Wetang'ula
ODM signed by Hon. Musalisa Mudavidi, Hon. William Ruto, Hon. Sally Kosgei, Hon. James Orengo

Third parties Witnessed by: For the Panel of Eminent African Personalities, H.E. Kofi A. Annan, Chairperson

Description This short agreement provides for a number of short terms measures to deal with political crisis arising from the disputed elections in 2007. 1. Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis, 2. Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration, 3.Recommendation to Parliamentarians, 4. Briefing on Progress to the Principals, 5. Implementation of Recommendations.

Agreement document

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Groups**Children/youth**

Groups→Children/youth→Substantive

Page 1, With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis:

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· Ensure all children have access to education. This will involve reconstruction of schools; encouraging return of teaching staff and provision of teaching materials, and assistance for children to return to their learning institutions.

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Disabled persons

Groups→Disabled persons→Substantive

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Elderly/age

Groups→Elderly/age→Substantive

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Migrant workers

No specific mention.

**Racial/ethnic/
national group**

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive
Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing
and Restoration:

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ethnicity.

Religious groups

No specific mention.

Indigenous people

No specific mention.

Other groups

No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive
Page 1, 1. With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis:

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- d) Provide information centres where the affected can get easy access to information regarding the assistance that is available to them and how to access it, for example, support for reconstruction of livelihoods, or tracing of family members.
- e) Operationalise the Humanitarian Fund for Mitigation of Effects and Resettlement of Victims of Post 2007 Election Violence expeditiously by establishing a bi-partisan, multi-sectoral Board with streamlined procedures to disburse funds rapidly.
- f) The Fund is open to public contributions and all citizens and friendly countries, governments and international institutions to donate generously.
- g) Ensure close linkages with the ongoing national and international assistance to enhance the effectiveness of delivery.
- h) Ensure that victims of violence in urban areas are not neglected in the implementation of the above.
- i) In order to promote food security, displaced farmers should be assisted to return to their farms. All farmers affected by the crisis should be assisted and encouraged to safely resume their farming activities.

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Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	<p>Page 1, Part 1: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis: ... b) Provide adequate security and protection, particularly for vulnerable groups, including women and children in camps. c) Provision of basic services for people in displaced camps: [...] - Provide medical assistance with a special focus for women, children, people living with HIV and AIDS and the disabled, currently in displaced camps. [...]</p> <p>Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration d) All-inclusive Reconciliation and Peacebuilding Committees at the grassroots level should be established. The committees should involve the provincial administration, council of elders, women, the youth, conflict resolution/civil society organisations.</p>
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	<p>Page 1, Part 1: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis: ... d) Provide information centres where the affected can get easy access to information regarding the assistance that is available to them and how to access it, for example, support for reconstruction of livelihoods, or tracing of family members.</p>

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.

Governance

**Political
institutions (new or
reformed)** No specific mention.

Elections Page 1, Preamble:
Goal:
To ensure that the National Dialogue and Reconciliation is carried out in a continuous and sustained manner towards resolving the political crisis arising from the disputed presidential electoral results as well as the ensuing violence in Kenya, in line with the agreement between His Excellency Mwai Kibaki and Honourable Raila Odinga, as publicly announced on 24th January and reaffirmed on 29th January 2008 at County Hall in Nairobi.

**Electoral
commission** No specific mention.

**Political parties
reform** No specific mention.

Civil society Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration
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**Traditional/
religious leaders** No specific mention.

**Public
administration** No specific mention.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitution affirmation/renewal
Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration:
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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.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general Page 1, Preamble:
The final goal of the National Dialogue and Reconciliation is to achieve sustainable peace, stability and justice in Kenya through the rule of law and respect for human rights.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of association
Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration:
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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Thought, opinion, conscience and religion
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Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

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→Media roles Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration: ... b) Ensure that the freedom of expression, press freedom and the right to peaceful assembly are upheld.
Mobility/access	Page 1, Part 1: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis: a) Assist and encourage displaced persons to go back to their homes or other areas and to have safe passage and security throughout
Protection measures	Rights related issues→Protection measures→Protection of groups Page 1, With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis: ... b) Provide adequate security and protection, particularly for vulnerable groups, including women and children in the camps.
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
Regional or international human rights institutions	Rights institutions→Regional or international human rights institutions→Body tasked Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration: ... i) Welcome and encourage the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights investigatory team

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.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 1-2, Part 1: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis:

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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.

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.

Security sector

**Security
Guarantees** Page 1, Part 1: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Address the Humanitarian Crisis:
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Ceasefire No specific mention.

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 Page 2, Part 2: With Respect to Immediate Measures to Promote Reconciliation, Healing and Restoration:
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Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims

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Missing persons

No specific mention.

Reparations

No specific mention.

Reconciliation

[Summary: The whole agreement provides for National Dialogue and Reconciliation. The section 2 has a more specific focus on National Reconciliation - See below].

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Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory Witnessed by: For the Panel of Eminent African Personalities, H.E. Kofi A. Annan, Chairperson

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 3, Part 5. Implementations of Recommendations:
Weekly progress reports on implementation of these and other recommendations to be made to the Committee by the relevant parties/institutions.

Related cases No specific mention.

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