

Country/entity	Ethiopia Kenya
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreed Minutes of the Second Meeting between Ethiopian Southern Nations, Nationalities and People's Regional State and Kenya's Rift Valley Province Administrators/Commissioners together with Community Representatives, Hawassa, Ethiopia
Date	2 Nov 2009
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict

Local conflict in the Kenya-Ethiopia border regions (2009)

The conflict between the Turkana people, and the Nyangatom and Dassenach people in Turkana North District, northwestern Kenya, is rooted in access to shared natural resources, especially water and grazing rights. This longstanding source of conflict in the Ethiopian-Kenyan border areas is now characterised by a continuous sequence of equivalent retaliation between the pastoralist groups, oftentimes in the form of cattle raiding. Increased pressure on natural resources in the region combined with the influx of automatic weapons in the 1970s have contributed to an increasingly violent conflict between the communities, resulting in wide displacements and many deaths. Indeed, the presence of assault rifles has also led to individuals acting outside the framework of community-sanctioned raids, turning communal cattle raiding into a form of organized crime. A meeting in Nakuru between representatives in October 2009 saw the resolution of recovering the 800 Nyangatom herds of cattle which were held by Turkana pastoralists. However, this resolution fell through as five days later the Nyangatoms raided the Kibish area in Kenya. The cycle of intermittent violence is persisting.

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Local conflict in the Kenya-Ethiopia border regions (2009)

Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Kenya-Ethiopia local cross-border talks

Parties

KENYAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

1. S.O. WARFA PC RIFT VALLEY AND HEAD OF DELEGATION
2. S.M. MWADIME OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
3. R.A. ONYANGO OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
4. FRANCIS M.MUNYAMBU PPO RIFT VALLEY PROVINCE
5. P.N. NJORE REGIONAL COORDINATOR, RIFT VALLEY
6. DICKSON L. MAGOTSI OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT/NSC CEWERU
7. DOUGLAS G. KARANJA PROVINCIAL AP COMMANDER
8. NDUNGU WA IKONYA OCPD TURKANA NORTH
9. J.O OBUO D.C. TURKANA NORTH
10. F.K. KIPSANG DCIO, TURKANA NORTH
11. HELLEN GICHUHI MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
12. HON. BOAZ KAINO,MP PARLAMENTERIAN
13. HON. JOSHUA KUTUNY,MP PARLAMENTERIAN
14. HON. RAPHAEL LETIMALO,MP PARLAMENTERIAN
15. JOHN WANYOIKE SELECT COMMITTEE SECRETARY
16. GILBERT NG'ENO KENYAN EMBASSY IN ETHIOPIA

KENYAN COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

1. EKAL MERESIA DPC/VICE CHAIR
2. PHILIP LOBOLIA DPC MEMBER
3. NAPEYOK EIPA DPC WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE
4. JOSEPHAT EWOI CHIEF, MEYAN LOCATION
5. GEOFFREY EKAI CHIEF, KAREBUR
6. GEORGE LONYALA ELDER TODONYANG
7. PETER ACHELE PEACE MONITOR
8. JOSEPH LAMEKWI PEACE MONITOR
9. ROBERT ASURUT ELDER
10. EZRA L. LOCHOKA CHIEF, KOKURO

ETHIOPIAN DELEGATES

1. H.E. ATO SHIFERAW SHIGUTIE PRESIDENT OF SNNPRS/HEAD OF DELEGATION.
2. ATO ADMASU ANGO SNNPRS HEAD JUSTICE
3. ATO WODO ATO POLICE COMMISSIONER
4. ATO ASFA ABIYU HEAD OF SECURITY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
5. ATO KASSA G/YOWHANS MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
6. ATO ZELALAME ASIRAT HEAD DIASPORA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE SNNPRS
7. ATO EKAL NETIR CHIEF ADM. NYANGATOM DISTRICT.
8. ATO LOSIYA ERGUDO CHIEF ADM. DASSANECH DISTRICT.
9. ATO TSEGAYE MULUNEHE HEAD OF SOUTH OMO POLICE OFFICER
10. AGEAZI BRHANE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
11. ZELALAEM AMADO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
12. GETACHEW TOROCHI HEAD OF SOUTH OMO ZONE JUSTICE AND SECURITY
13. NIGATU DENISA CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR NYANGATOM DISTRICT
14. TEDIWOS LEBEN DASSANCH DISTRICT JUSTICE AND SECURITY.
15. COM.DEMEKE ENDALE DASSANCH DISTRICT POLICE COMMISSIONER
16. JON ACHIEHIYU JUSTICE & SECURITY NYENGATON
17. SIJIN TEKILU KFILE POLICE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE NYANGATOM
18. HON. MP AWOKE AIKE MP ETHIOPIAN

Third parties	OBSERVERS 1. TIGIST HAILU CEWARN/IGAD 2. TEEMET BEKELE CEWARN/IGAD 3. BELAY G/HIWOT CEWARN/IGAD
Description	Meeting between Kenyan and Ethiopian officials, along with community representatives with a view to ending criminality, including cattle rustling.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Formal structured process
Rationale	Builds on previous initiatives to address cross-border conflict and insecurity, that were run through the CEWARN-IGAD mechanism incorporating local administrative governments, civil society, NGOs, CBOs, FBOs, District Peace Committees and other agencies. This agreement was the result of the CEWERU (Conflict Early Warning Response Unit) of Ethiopia and Kenya, under the auspices of CEWARN in partnership with Enhanced Livelihood for the Mandera triangle (ELMT)/ELTS held the first Somali Cluster cross-border peace meeting to address peace and security concerns along the cross border region.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	No
Link to national process: articulated rationale	There are no references suggesting links to a national peace process in either Kenya or Ethiopia.
Name of Locale	Eastern Province of Kenya, Oromiya Regional State of Ethiopia, North-Eastern Province of Kenya, Somali Regional State of Ethiopia
Nature of Locale	Region
GPS Lat/Long (DD)	3.526772, 39.052795
Participant type	Central state actor Local state actor International or transnational actor Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations Regional state actor

Mediator, facilitator or similar Mediator or similar referred to or similar

Mediator (references) OBSERVERS 1. TIGIST HAILU CEWARN/IGAD 2. TEEMET BEKELE CEWARN/IGAD 3. BELAY G/HIWOT CEWARN/IGAD

Type of mediator/facilitator/similar International or transnational actor

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture) No specific mention.

Grievance List No specific mention.

Cattle rustling/ banditry Page 4,
We the delegates from Ethiopia and Kenya hereby agree to the following;
1. Establishment of a joint cross border administrators committee, including local elders and other actors headed by the Head of South Omo Zone Administration, Ethiopia, and Turkana North District Commissioner, Kenya, to follow up on the verification and recovery of livestock and ensure that the rule of law is upheld. This committee will be expected to attend the meeting during the simultaneous return of livestock scheduled for November 16th 2009 in Kibish.

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2. Recover within 7 days and hand over stolen livestock by 16th November 2009 in Kibish of which 875 goats belonging to Turkana have already been identified and 800 cattle belonging to Nyangatom have also been identified.

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4. Jointly apprehend and hand over culprits involved in cattle rustling and other related crimes.

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6. Sustain political support in addressing cattle rustling.

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8. Jointly work towards stamping out cattle rustling.

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4. Jointly apprehend and hand over culprits involved in cattle rustling and other related crimes.
