

<b>Country/entity</b>	Democratic Republic of Congo
<b>Region</b>	Africa (excl MENA)
<b>Agreement name</b>	Unilateral ceasefire agreement signed between the ARDPC for peace in Ituri province
<b>Date</b>	14 Aug 2020
<b>Agreement status</b>	Unilateral document
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

### **Congo Civil Wars (1996 - )**

The overthrow of the long-term dictator Mobutu Sese Seko by a rebel Tutsi army backed by Uganda and Rwanda in 1997 acted as a catalyst for a war with regional dimensions, mainly fought in the eastern Kivu provinces. The conflict escalated in 1998, when President Laurent Kabila, then backed by Zimbabwean and Angolan troops, ordered Rwanda and Uganda to leave. After Kabila's assassination in 2001, his son Joseph took over the presidency and won in the 2006 democratic elections.

In the eastern provinces, Tutsi-led militias, mainly organised in the National Congress for the Defense of the People (CNDP), fought the remnants of the Rwandan Hutu force FDLR, with further involvement of Rwandan and Ugandan troops. Other regionally operating militia groups, like the Lord's Resistance Army from Northern Uganda, the so-called Mai Mai groups or short-lived guerrilla outfits like the March 23 Movement (M23) further contributed, and still contribute, to the complexity of the situation in eastern DRC.

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Congo Civil Wars (1996 - )

<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	DRC: Eastern DRC processes
<b>Parties</b>	Pour l'ARDPC RR'ISA-KPALO DEOGRATACE [signature] NGABU-NGAWI-OLIVIER [signature]

**Third parties**

Les Témoins:

1. Pour la délégation envoyée par le Chef de l'État  
Floribert Ndjabu Ngabu [signature]

2. Les chefs des Groupements et des villages  
LOMBUMI-BLEKPA-GABRIEL [signature]  
Chef de groupements Nobjukpo. LODY ANGE DUANI-WILLY [signature]  
Chef de groupement MBR'BU. Ayyub DHEKAMA [signature]

3. Les Responsables et Représentants de l'Église Locale  
MBSIDZA-MALORIE Pasteur yo Zambe [illegible] [signature]  
pasteur CECA yo MDJARR-KPABAMEA [signature]  
gilbert Bbleka Catholique [signature]

4. Les Organisations de la Société Civile et de la Jeunesse  
LoPA-TEMBETE-PASCAL.F.E.L LB [signature]  
GODKA-MASTABI-PASCAL.F.E.L.R.N.D.R.A [signature]  
MAKI MASTARI FLORIBERT Societe civ. [signature]  
NGABU MAWA ALIAMINI Pres. de J. Groupes DZ'NA [signature]  
BUSI LOVE ESTELLA Rep. Mamans [signature]

**Description**

Unilateral ceasefire declaration in which ARDPC, a non-state armed group active in Djugu territory, commits itself to put an end to hostilities in Ituri Province. The group provides for the safe movement of people (including displaced people), goods and humanitarian aid. It also calls on the Congolese government to provide humanitarian assistance and implement a mechanism to oversee the enforcement of the truce. Finally, the group conditions its commitment to the DDR process to the outcome of tasks with the Congolese government. This unilateral ceasefire is part of a pacification mission in Djugu territory initiated by the President of the Republic on July 13, 2020. In this context, 6 different militias have agreed to join the peace process. These are ALC/CODECO (Armée de Libération du Congo/Coopérative pour le Développement Économique du Congo), URDPC/CODECO (Union des Révolutionnaires pour la Défense du Peuple Congolais), ARDPC/CODECO (Armée des Révolutionnaires pour la Défense du Peuple Congolais), FDBD (La Force pour la Défense de la Balkanisation du Congo), Gutsi's assailants and the FDBC.

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**Agreement document**

[CD\\_200814\\_Unilateral ceasefire agreement signed between the Army of Revolutionaries for the Defense of the Congolese People \(ARDPCCODECO\) and the presidential delegation on 14 August 2020.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#) | [Download PDF](#)

**Agreement document (original language)**

[CD\\_200914\\_Unilateral ceasefire agreement signed between the Armée des révolutionnaires pour la défense du peuple congolais \(ARDPCCODECO\) and the presidential delegation on 14 August 2020.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#)

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## **Women, girls and gender**

**Participation** No specific mention.

**Equality** No specific mention.

**Particular groups of women** No specific mention.

**International law** No specific mention.

**New institutions** No specific mention.

**Violence against women** No specific mention.

**Transitional justice** No specific mention.

**Institutional reform** No specific mention.

**Development** No specific mention.

**Implementation** Implementation→Signing or witnessing agreement  
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**Other** No specific mention.

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