

DECLARATION NO. 01

We, the undersigned

Gal Al-Katim Mahamat, MPC;

Gal Bi-Sidi Soulemane, 3r;

P/Gal d'Armee Ali Darrassa, UPC, p/o Ali Garba;

P/Gal Noueidine Adam, FPRC, p/o Gal Salet Zabadi;

Officer Maxime Mokom, Anti-Balaka/Aile Mokom;

P/Dieudonne Ndomate, Anti-Balaka/Aile Ngaissona, p.o. Sylvain Beorofei,

Leaders of the various Armed Groups occupying almost the entire territory of the Central African Republic,

- a. Being aware that we have, until now, been manipulated by an unscrupulous and visionless government, concerned only with the swift and groundless personal enrichment of its members;
- b. Considering that no country in the world can develop in a “neither war nor peace” environment, nor in the context of perpetual insecurity;
- c. Considering that the suffering the Central African people have endured for seven years of armed conflict and deprivation of liberty is prejudicial to any development;
- d. Being eager to begin a new chapter of peace, stability, inter-community amnesty and participation of all the sons and daughters of the Central African Republic in its economic development, far from the intricacies and intrigues of politics;
- e. Being eager to commit the Central African Republic to both open diplomacy with all allied countries and win-win cooperation, on one hand; and large-scale economic integration in Central Africa, on the other hand;

We solemnly declare as follows:

1. We hereby resolve to merge all our movements into a single entity, known as the COALITION OF PATRIOTS FOR CHANGE (C.P.C. for short), placed under a unified command.
2. We invite all the other armed groups to join this large democratic front in order to take part in the rebuilding of the Central African Republic.
3. We call on all our members to:

fully [r]espect the integrity of civilian populations, prot[ect] them and protect their property;

[make a commitment] to conservation and securing public and private buildings, places of worship and economic infrastructure;

[p]rotect United Nations, MINUSCA, and all international and national NGO vehicles, and all diplomatic processions, and allow them to pass freely;

(text cut off) from now on, all our actions towards the goals of economic develop[ment], social cohesion and making the country safe.

Together we will overcome!

Done in BANGUI, on 17 December 2020

The signatories