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| <b>Country/entity</b>           | Ireland<br>United Kingdom<br>Northern Ireland                                    |
| <b>Region</b>                   | Europe and Eurasia   |
| <b>Agreement name</b>           | Combined Loyalist Military Command Ceasefire Statement                           |
| <b>Date</b>                     | 13 Oct 1994  |
| <b>Agreement status</b>         | Unilateral document  |
| <b>Interim arrangement</b>      | Yes  |
| <b>Agreement/conflict level</b> | Intrastate/intrastate conflict<br><b>Northern Ireland Conflict (1968 - 1998)</b> |

Commonly referred to as ‘the Troubles’, the most recent conflict over the territory of Northern Ireland can be framed as beginning in 1968 and ending with the Belfast Agreement (also known as the Good Friday Agreement) in 1998. While the genesis of the conflict was closely related to pressures for the state to reform with relation to discrimination against the (minority) Catholic population, the core issue of the conflict as it proceeded was the constitutional status of Northern Ireland, which was contested between the unionist/loyalist (mostly Protestant) majority, who wanted the territory to remain as part of the United Kingdom, and the nationalist/republican (mostly Catholic) minority, whose goal was to unite the six provincial counties with the Republic of Ireland. The thirty years prior to the Belfast or Good Friday Agreement were marked by inter-communal violence, active paramilitary groups, and the deployment of the British army in the province. Mediation by international actors, and dialogue between the British and Irish governments, and between the IRA and its representatives and the British Government eventually resulted in a ceasefire respected by the majority of combatants. Talks led to the Belfast or Good Friday Agreement which established a power-sharing system of governance between nationalist and unionist communities.

Close  
Northern Ireland Conflict (1968 - 1998)

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| <b>Stage</b>           | Ceasefire/related  |
| <b>Conflict nature</b> | Government/territory   |
| <b>Peace process</b>   | Northern Ireland peace process   |
| <b>Parties</b>         | Combined Loyalist Military Command (CLMC)  |
| <b>Third parties</b>   | -  |
| <b>Description</b>     | In this short agreement the Combined Loyalist Military Command agrees to a universal and permanent ceasefire. The statement includes an apology for the innocent victims of loyalist violence. |

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**Agreement document**

[UK\\_IE\\_941013\\_CLMC Ceasefire Statement.pdf \(opens in new tab\)](#) | [Download PDF](#)

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**Groups**

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| <b>Children/youth</b>                    | Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical<br>Page 1-2,<br>...We are on the threshold of a new and exciting beginning with our battles in future being political battles, fought on the side of honest, decency and democracy against the negativity of mistrust, misunderstanding and malevolence, so that, together, we can bring forth a wholesome society in which our children, and their children, will know the meaning of true peace. |
| <b>Disabled persons</b>                  | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Elderly/age</b>                       | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Migrant workers</b>                   | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Racial/ethnic/<br/>national group</b> | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Religious groups</b>                  | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Indigenous people</b>                 | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Other groups</b>                      | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Refugees/displaced<br/>persons</b>    | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Social class</b>                      | No specific mention.  |

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## Gender

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| <b>Women, girls and gender</b> | Page 1,<br>...To our physically and mentally wounded who have served Ulster so unselfishly, we wish a speedy recovery, and to the relatives of these men and women, we pledge our continued moral and practical support... |
| <b>Men and boys</b>            | No specific mention.   |
| <b>LGBTI</b>                   | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Family</b>                  | No specific mention.   |

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## State definition

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| <b>Nature of state (general)</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>State configuration</b>       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Self determination</b>        | No specific mention. |
| <b>Referendum</b>                | No specific mention. |
| <b>State symbols</b>             | No specific mention. |
| <b>Independence/secession</b>    | No specific mention. |
| <b>Accession/unification</b>     | No specific mention. |
| <b>Border delimitation</b>       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Cross-border provision</b>    | No specific mention. |

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## Governance

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| <b>Political institutions (new or reformed)</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Elections</b>                                | No specific mention. |

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| <b>Electoral commission</b>          | No specific mention. |
| <b>Political parties reform</b>      | No specific mention. |
| <b>Civil society</b>                 | No specific mention. |
| <b>Traditional/religious leaders</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Public administration</b>         | No specific mention. |
| <b>Constitution</b>                  | No specific mention. |

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#### **Power sharing**

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| <b>Political power sharing</b>   | No specific mention. |
| <b>Territorial power sharing</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Economic power sharing</b>    | No specific mention. |
| <b>Military power sharing</b>    | No specific mention. |

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#### **Human rights and equality**

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| <b>Human rights/RoL general</b>   | No specific mention. |
| <b>Bill of rights/similar</b>     | No specific mention. |
| <b>Treaty incorporation</b>       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Civil and political rights</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Socio-economic rights</b>      | No specific mention. |

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## **Rights related issues**

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| <b>Citizenship</b>             | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Democracy</b>               | Page 1-2,<br>...We are on the threshold of a new and exciting beginning with our battles in future being political battles, fought on the side of honest, decency and democracy against the negativity of mistrust, misunderstanding and malevolence, so that, together, we can bring forth a wholesome society in which our children, and their children, will know the meaning of true peace. |
| <b>Detention procedures</b>    | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Media and communication</b> | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Mobility/access</b>         | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Protection measures</b>     | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Other</b>                   | No specific mention.  |

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## **Rights institutions**

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| <b>NHRI</b>  | No specific mention. |
| <b>Regional or international human rights institutions</b> | No specific mention. |

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## **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.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or socio-economic reconstruction** No specific mention.

**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.

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## **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.

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**Security sector**

**Security Guarantees** No specific mention.

**Ceasefire** Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision  
Page 1,  
After a widespread consultative process initiated by representations from the Ulster Democratic and Progressive Unionist Parties, and after having received confirmation and guarantees in relation to Northern Ireland's constitutional position within the United Kingdom, as well as other assurances, and, in the belief that the democratically expressed wishes of the greater number of people in Northern Ireland will be respected and upheld, the CLMC will universally cease all operational hostilities as from 12 midnight on Thursday 13th October 1994. The permanence of our ceasefire will be completely dependant upon the continued cessation of all nationalist/republican violence, the sole responsibility for a return to War lies with them...

**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.

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## Transitional justice

**Transitional justice general** No specific mention.

**Amnesty/pardon** No specific mention.

**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** No specific mention.

**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** Page 1,  
...To our physically and mentally wounded who have served Ulster so unselfishly, we wish a speedy recovery, and to the relatives of these men and women, we pledge our continued moral and practical support...

Page 1,  
...In all sincerity, we offer to the loved ones of all innocent victims over the past twenty years, abject and true remorse. No words of ours will compensate for the intolerable suffering they have undergone during the conflict...

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** No specific mention.

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## Implementation

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international signatory** No specific mention.

**Referendum for agreement** No specific mention.

**International mission/force/similar** No specific mention.



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| <b>Enforcement mechanism</b> | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Related cases</b>         | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Source</b>                | CAIN Web Service<br><a href="https://cain.ulster.ac.uk/events/peace/docs/clmc131094.htm">https://cain.ulster.ac.uk/events/peace/docs/clmc131094.htm</a> |

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