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Country/ entity	Mali Azawad
Region	Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Accord d'Alger pour la Restauration de la Paix, de la Sécurité et du Développement dans la région de Kidal
Date	4 Jul 2006
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Tuareg Wars (1962 - ) )
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Mali-Azawad Inter-Azawad peace process
Parties	(Signed) For the Government of the Republic of Mali Gal. Kafougouna KONE Minister of Territorial Administration and Local Collectivities  (Signed) For the Democratic Alliance of May 23 2006 for Renewal Ahmada Ag BIBI
Third parties	(Signed) For the facilitator SE Abdelkrim GHERAIEB Ambassador of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria
Description	This agreement is about the region of Kidal and special measures taken in recognition of its special needs (desert and dependent on farming) for its social and economic development.

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## Groups

Children/ youth	<p>Groups→Children/youth→Substantive Page 4, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 7: A fund for development and socio-economic reinsertion of the civilian population, in particular young people affected by the events of May 23, 2006, shall be created, open also to other young people in the Kidal region, shall be established , supervised by the provisional regional committee for coordination and monitoring. Furthermore the committee shall be widely consulted on who shall manage this fund.</p> <p>Page 5-6, V. Priority measures, Article 5: Establishment by the Monitoring Committee, of the technical security group which shall be charged with, in accordance with the provisions relating to creation of the Committee: [...] - Within the framework for recruiting and training young persons in the region, develop a programme to prepare them to serve, as required by operational needs, in the special security units, units of the national guard, the gendarmerie, the police, the customs and those of water and forests.</p>
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ ethnic/ national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/  
displaced  
persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

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## Gender

Women,  
girls and  
gender No specific mention.

Men and  
boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

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## State definition

Nature of  
state  
(general) Page 1, Untitled preamble:  
• Reaffirming our attachment to the third Republic of Mali;  
• Reaffirming also our respect for territorial integrity and national unity;  
[...]

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 Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 4:  
Exchanges between the regions of neighbouring countries shall be specified  
and coordinated within the cross border framework, in accordance with the  
bilateral agreements signed with these countries;

Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 9:  
An education system which reflects our social, cultural and religious values  
shall be established and grants for study abroad awarded to the best  
performing high school graduates in the region;

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## Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)	<p>Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references</p> <p>Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes, Article 1: A provisional regional monitoring and coordination council shall be established.</p> <p>Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes, Article 4: At the end of its mission its duties shall be assumed by the Regional Assembly.</p> <p>Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes, Article 5: Its remit:</p> <p>It shall be consulted by the Department with administrative responsibility for the development of legislation for the Kidal Region.</p> <p>It shall promote good political governance and help to improve the use of local and regional competences in the machinery of State.</p> <p>It shall support the Regional Assembly in exercising its remit, by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cooperating with the providers of funding for economic, social and cultural development, in accordance with Article 32 of the National Pact.</li><li>• All aspects of regional security, in accordance with bullet points C and D of article 15 of the National Pact.</li><li>• The Regional Budget, in accordance with article 33 of the National Pact.</li></ul> <p>It shall, together with the administrative and political authorities, help to main a good social climate by means of the traditional channels of dialogue and agreement.</p> <p>It shall be consulted an all specific aspects of development and mediation, and help to improve administration by maintaining harmony and social cohesion in the region.</p>
Elections	No specific mention.
Electoral commission	No specific mention.
Political parties reform	No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/  
religious  
leaders No specific mention.

Public administration Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes,  
Article 5:  
Its remit:

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[...]

It shall support the Regional Assembly in exercising its remit, by:

[...]

- The Regional Budget, in accordance with article 33 of the National Pact.

It shall, together with the administrative and political authorities, help to main a good social climate by means of the traditional channels of dialogue and agreement.

It shall be consulted an all specific aspects of development and mediation, and help to improve administration by maintaining harmony and social cohesion in the region.

Page 4, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 6:  
Active participation of persons from the region in State business shall increase in accordance with the spirit of fairness emphasised in the National Pact.

Constitution No specific mention.

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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

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces

Page 3: III Dealing with immediate security concerns, Special security units,  
Article 4:

Outside the urban areas of Kidal, special security units, reporting to the military zone command and composed principally of elements from the nomadic regions, in the right proportions to ensure the efficient execution of Special Security Unit Missions, shall be established.

The act to create these units shall specify their quantity, number of personnel and equipment, their location and their characteristics.

They shall be tasked with the following missions, in particular:

- Protection and caretaking of public buildings.
- Protection of important persons.
- Reconnaissance and patrol.
- Assisting the judicial police.
- Intervention.
- Any other tasks defined in the legislation to set them up.

They shall work in a coordinated manner and complement the work of the national security forces.

They shall report to the command structure of the military zone.

They shall be employed by the Governor of the Region.

They shall be attached to units of the National Guard.

They shall report to the operational command of the special units, whose chief shall be selected from the personnel specified in Chapter II, Point 5, and for whom the second in command shall come from other units of the national army and security forces. The special units' operational command shall report ultimately to the National Guard Chief of Staff.

Officers selected from the personnel specified in Chapter 3, point 5, may serve in the special units. However, if a unit is commanded by an officer from the personnel specified in Chapter 3, point 5, his second in command shall come from other national army and security forces units, and vice versa.

Their personnel requirements shall be met from other national defence and security units.

These units and their operational command shall be provided with personnel and resources in line with the table of staff and equipment decreed by the competent authority, as proposed by the technical security group on the advice of the Monitoring Committee. They shall have access to a specialised structure for social measures to assist their personnel.

On the date to be specified by the Ministry of Internal Security, as proposed by the technical security group, on the advice of the monitoring committee, the personnel who will serve in these units shall start training for the missions to be assigned to these units. The training programmes shall be developed by the competent authority, as proposed by the technical security group on the advice of the Monitoring Committee.

The training location shall be specified by the competent authority, as proposed by the technical security group on the advice of the Monitoring Committee. This shall be subject to the consent of the



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## Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

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## Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication	<p>Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles</p> <p>Page 2-3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 7:</p> <p>In the areas of equipment and communication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the region shall be opened up by surfacing the principal highways between Kidal and Gao, Menaka and Algeria.</li> <li>- an airport at Kidal shall be constructed;</li> <li>- the airport at Tessalit shall be reconstructed;</li> <li>- the main towns of cercles and communes shall be electrified;</li> <li>- a telephone network shall be installed in the main towns of cercles and communes</li> <li>- a regional radio and national telephone network shall be installed in order to promote the cultural values of the region, and disseminate a more positive image of the populations of the region; audio-visual technicians shall be trained and one hour of national radio and television broadcasts each day shall be devoted to coverage of the region.</li> </ul>
Mobility/ access	<p>Page 2-3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 7:</p> <p>In the areas of equipment and communication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the region shall be opened up by surfacing the principal highways between Kidal and Gao, Menaka and Algeria.</li> <li>- an airport at Kidal shall be constructed;</li> <li>- the airport at Tessalit shall be reconstructed;</li> <li>- the main towns of cercles and communes shall be electrified;</li> <li>- a telephone network shall be installed in the main towns of cercles and communes</li> <li>- a regional radio and national telephone network shall be installed in order to promote the cultural values of the region, and disseminate a more positive image of the populations of the region; audio-visual technicians shall be trained and one hour of national radio and television broadcasts each day shall be devoted to coverage of the region.</li> </ul>
Protection measures	<p>Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other</p> <p>Page 3: III Dealing with immediate security concerns, Special security units, Article 4:</p> <p>Outside the urban areas of Kidal, special security units, reporting to the military zone command and composed principally of elements from the nomadic regions, in the right proportions to ensure the efficient execution of Special Security Unit Missions, shall be established.</p> <p>The act to create these units shall specify their quantity, number of personnel and equipment, their location and their characteristics.</p> <p>They shall be tasked with the following missions, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Protection and caretaking of public buildings.</li> <li>- Protection of important persons.</li> </ul>
Other	No specific mention.

## **Rights institutions**

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions 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    Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development  
Page 1, Untitled preamble:  
[...]

- Wishing to preserve peace, security and stability in our country and to devote ourselves to socio-economic development in the Northern Regions and that of Kidal;
- Wishing to create a dynamic to overcome the delays Kidal has experienced in social and economic development;  
[...]
- Recalling the acquis of the national pact of April 1992 [...] and the need for the populations of each region to manage local affairs, to participate in national affairs, and the need to initiate a programme of economic assistance and development with the support of foreign partners;
- Noting the deprivation of the Kidal Region which is entirely desert, in view of its isolation and its serious lack of the infrastructure needed for development and the dependency of the population of this region on livestock farming;
- Convinced that there can be no sustainable development unless all human resources are used and local potential is exploited;
- Noting the interdependence between development, security and stability;  
[...]

Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes,  
Article 5:  
Its remit:

[...]

It shall support the Regional Assembly in exercising its remit, by:

- Cooperating with the providers of funding for economic, social and cultural development, in accordance with Article 32 of the National Pact.  
[...]
- The Regional Budget, in accordance with article 33 of the National Pact.  
[...]

Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 9:  
An education system which reflects our social, cultural and religious values shall be established and grants for study abroad awarded to the best performing high school graduates in the region;

Page 4, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 7:  
A fund for development and socio-economic reinsertion of the civilian population, in particular young people affected by the events of May 23, 2006, shall be created, open also to other young people in the Kidal region, shall be established , supervised by the provisional regional committee for coordination and monitoring. Furthermore the committee shall be widely consulted on who shall manage this fund.

Page 5, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 8:  
Kidal's under-development shall be taken into account when developing and implementing the national budget.

Page 5, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 9:  
Centres for professional training shall be set up, together with any associated measures.

National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	<p>Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 1: A development forum shall be organised at Kidal in order to create a special investment fund to implement a programme of economic, social and cultural development. This programme will address activities such as livestock rearing, education, traditional workmanship, and exploiting natural resources;</p> <p>Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 8: Natural resource research and exploration programmes shall be promoted.</p>
International funds	<p>Page 1, Untitled preamble: [...]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recalling the acquis of the national pact of April 1992, which recognised the specificity of Northern Mali, and the need for the populations of each region to manage local affairs, to participate in national affairs, and the need to initiate a programme of economic assistance and development with the support of foreign partners;</li> </ul> <p>[...]</p>
Business	Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 3: In the area of employment, small and medium-sized enterprises shall be established, loans granted and people trained in management.
Taxation	<p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Reform of taxation Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 11: The preferential taxation regime for the Northern regions defined in the National Pact, shall be extended for ten (10) years, in order to attract and stimulate investment.</p> <p>Page 6, V. Priority measures, Article 6: Enact the law to extend by ten (10) years the preferential fiscal and incentivising regime for the Northern Regions, defined in the National Pact.</p>
Banks	No specific mention.

## Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights	No specific mention.
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Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 5: A health system appropriate for the lifestyle of nomadic peoples shall be established;
Cultural heritage	Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Intangible Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 10: 10. A special programme for the award of diplomas in the Arab language with a view to re-training and specialisation shall be put in place;  Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Promotion Page 1, Untitled preamble: [...] • Underlining the need to promote cultural diversity in Mali, taking into account the specific characteristics of the Northern Regions;  Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 1: A development forum shall be organised at Kidal in order to create a special investment fund to implement a programme of economic, social and cultural development. This programme will address activities such as livestock rearing, education, traditional workmanship, and exploiting natural resources;  Page 2-3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 7: In the areas of equipment and communication: [...] - a regional radio and national telephone network shall be installed in order to promote the cultural values of the region, and disseminate a more positive image of the populations of the region; audio-visual technicians shall be trained and one hour of national radio and television broadcasts each day shall be devoted to coverage of the region.  Page 3, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 9: An education system which reflects our social, cultural and religious values shall be established and grants for study abroad awarded to the best performing high school graduates in the region;
Environment	No specific mention.
Water or riparian rights or access	Page 2, II. Economic, social and cultural development, Article 6: A sustainable system of access to drinking water shall be developed throughout the region, and in particular in major population settlements;

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## Security sector

Security Guarantees	<p>Page 1, Untitled preamble: [...] • Wishing to preserve peace, security and stability in our country and to devote ourselves to socio-economic development in the Northern Regions and that of Kidal; [...] • Noting the interdependence between development, security and stability; [...]</p> <p>Page 1-2, I. Towards better participation in decision-making processes, Article 5: Its remit: [...] It shall support the Regional Assembly in exercising its remit, by: • Cooperating with the providers of funding for economic, social and cultural development, in accordance with Article 32 of the National Pact. • All aspects of regional security, in accordance with bullet points C and D of article 15 of the National Pact. • The Regional Budget, in accordance with article 33 of the National Pact. [...]</p>
Ceasefire	No specific mention.
Police	<p>Page 5-6, V. Priority measures, Article 5: Establishment by the Monitoring Committee, of the technical security group which shall be charged with, in accordance with the provisions relating to creation of the Committee: [...] - Within the framework for recruiting and training young persons in the region, develop a programme to prepare them to serve, as required by operational needs, in the special security units, units of the national guard, the gendarmerie, the police, the customs and those of water and forests.</p>



Armed  
forces

Page 3: III Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 2:  
The process of relocation of military barracks from urban areas in accordance with the provisions in the National Pact shall begin.

Page 3: III Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 3:  
Under the auspices of the facilitator, all weapons and ammunition, and other material seized since the attacks of May 23, 2006, in Kidal, Menaka and Tessalit, shall be returned in accordance with the procedure decreed in the present agreement.

Page 3: III Dealing with immediate security concerns, Special security units, Article 4:

Outside the urban areas of Kidal, special security units, reporting to the military zone command and composed principally of elements from the nomadic regions, in the right proportions to ensure the efficient execution of Special Security Unit Missions, shall be established.

The act to create these units shall specify their quantity, number of personnel and equipment, their location and their characteristics.

They shall be tasked with the following missions, in particular:

- Protection and caretaking of public buildings.
- Protection of important persons.
- Reconnaissance and patrol.
- Assisting the judicial police.
- Intervention.
- Any other tasks defined in the legislation to set them up.

They shall work in a coordinated manner and complement the work of the national security forces.

They shall report to the command structure of the military zone.

They shall be employed by the Governor of the Region.

They shall be attached to units of the National Guard.

They shall report to the operational command of the special units, whose chief shall be selected from the personnel specified in Chapter II, Point 5, and for whom the second in command shall come from other units of the national army and security forces. The special units' operational command shall report ultimately to the National Guard Chief of Staff.

Officers selected from the personnel specified in Chapter 3, point 5, may serve in the special units. However, if a unit is commanded by an officer from the personnel specified in Chapter 3, point 5, his second in command shall come from other national army and security forces units, and vice versa.

Their personnel requirements shall be met from other national defence and security units.

These units and their operational command shall be provided with personnel and resources in line with the table of staff and equipment decreed by the competent authority, as proposed by the technical security group on the advice of the Monitoring Committee. They shall have access to a specialised structure for social measures to assist their personnel.

DDR	<p>Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions</p> <p>Page 3, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 3: Under the auspices of the facilitator, all weapons and ammunition, and other material seized since the attacks of May 23, 2006, in Kidal, Menaka and Tessalit, shall be returned in accordance with the procedure decreed in the present agreement.</p> <p>Page 4, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 4: [...] The operation to return arms, ammunition and other seized material shall take place in the cantonment location, upon admission of the personnel specified in Chapter III, points 4 and 5, and at the same time as the socio-professional situation of these personnel is completed.</p> <p>Page 4, III. Dealing with immediate security concerns, Article 5: There shall be careful management of those officers, junior officers and other ranks who left their units during the events of May 23, 2006, by integrating them as needed in the special security units using the specialised mechanism envisioned above, to facilitate the regularisation of their administrative, financial and working situation, and by involving them in peace maintenance operations.</p>
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 Page 5, V. Priority measures, Article 4:  
Release of all persons detained following the events of May 23, 2006.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing  
persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

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## **Implementation**

UN  
signatory No specific mention.

Other (Signed)  
international For the facilitator  
signatory SE Abdelkrim GHERAIEB  
Ambassador of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria

Referendum No specific mention.  
for  
agreement

International No specific mention.  
mission/  
force/similar

Enforcement No specific mention.  
mechanism

Related No specific mention.  
cases

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