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Country/ entity	Liberia
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Communique Issued at the Conclusion of the Peace Talks on Liberia, Geneva
Date	17 Jul 1993
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Liberian Civil Wars (1989 - 1997) (1999 - 2005) )
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Liberia peace process
Parties	Signed: G. Baccus Matthews Momolu Sirleaf Alhaji Kromah
Third parties	Not signed by third parties but preamble notes that the talks were facilitated and chaired by the UN, ECOWAS and the OAU.  Page 1, Untitled Preamble: At the invitation of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, on behalf of H.E. President Nicephore Soglo, current Chairman of ECOWAS, and Dr. Salim A. Salim, Secretary-General of OAU, the parties to the Liberian conflict met in Geneva, Switzerland from 10th to 17th July, 1993 to take part and fully participate in Liberia Peace Talks aimed at ending three (3) and a half years of civil war. These talks were held under the co-chairmanship of Mr. Trevor Gordon-Somers, Special Representative of UN Secretary-General on Liberia, President Canaan Banana, Eminent Person, OAU and Dr. Abbas Bundu, Executive Secretary of ECOWAS.
Description	A short agreement summarising the issues agreed for inclusion in the agreement to be signed at Cotonou on 24 July 1993.

## Groups

Children/ youth	Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical Page 1, Humanitarian Assistance: The Parties agreed that every effort should be made to deliver humanitarian assistance to all Liberians particularly children, who are malnourished and suffering from related diseases. Convoys of humanitarian assistance should travel to all areas of Liberia through the most direct routes.
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      Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive  
Page 1, Untitled Preamble, Para 4: The Parties adopted an Agreement  
containing decisions with respect to political, military, humanitarian and  
refugee repatriation issues. This Agreement will be signed by the leaders of  
the Parties during the ECOWAS Summit in Cotonou, Benin, on 24th July, 1993.

Page 2, Repatriation of Refugees: UNHCR presented to the Parties a summary  
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UNHCR called specific attention to the need for security and protection of  
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resource mobilisation to facilitate a speedy return of refugees to Liberia.

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)      No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

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## **Governance**

Political institutions (new or reformed) Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→Temporary new institutions  
Page 1, Political: The Agreement on political issues reaffirmed that the Yamoussoukro Accords provide the best framework for peace. It was agreed that Liberia would be unified under a civil Transitional Government to run for a period of seven months. Various proposals were made with respect to the Executive, Judiciary and Legislative branches of government, with decisions in some cases deferred for consultation among the leaders of the parties.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society Page 1, Humanitarian Assistance: The Parties agreed that every effort should be made to deliver humanitarian assistance to all Liberians particularly children, who are malnourished and suffering from related diseases. Convoys of humanitarian assistance should travel to all areas of Liberia through the most direct routes.

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Traditional/  
religious  
leaders No specific mention.

Public  
administration No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

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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 No specific mention.

Mobility/access Page 1, Humanitarian Assistance: The Parties agreed that every effort should be made to deliver humanitarian assistance to all Liberians particularly children, who are malnourished and suffering from related diseases. Convoys of humanitarian assistance should travel to all areas of Liberia through the most direct routes.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

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## **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→Humanitarian assistance  
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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, Military: The Agreement on military issues contained conditions for a cease-fire, the establishment of a supervisory and monitoring authority, bringing together representatives of the three parties, ECOMOG, and UN Observer Mission. Attention was given to monitoring of cease-fire violations and the process of disarmament, encampment and demobilization consistent with the terms and conditions of the ECOWAS Peace Plan and the Yamoussoukro Accords.

Police No specific mention.

Armed  
forces Page 1, Untitled Preamble, Para 4: The Parties adopted an Agreement containing decisions with respect to political, military, humanitarian and refugee repatriation issues. This Agreement will be signed by the leaders of the Parties during the ECOWAS Summit in Cotonou, Benin, on 24th July, 1993.

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DDR	Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes Page 1, Military: The Agreement on military issues contained conditions for a cease-fire, the establishment of a supervisory and monitoring authority, bringing together representatives of the three parties, ECOMOG, and UN Observer Mission. Attention was given to monitoring of cease-fire violations and the process of disarmament, encampment and demobilization consistent with the terms and conditions of the ECOWAS Peace Plan and the Yamoussoukro Accords.
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.
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Amnesty/ pardon	No specific mention.
Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	No specific mention.
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 international signatory	No specific mention.
Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.

International mission/  
force/similar Page 1, Military: The Agreement on military issues contained conditions for a cease-fire, the establishment of a supervisory and monitoring authority, bringing together representatives of the three parties, ECOMOG, and UN Observer Mission. Attention was given to monitoring of cease-fire violations and the process of disarmament, encampment and demobilization consistent with the terms and conditions of the ECOWAS Peace Plan and the Yamoussoukro Accords.

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Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

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