

<b>Country/entity</b>	Ecuador Peru
<b>Region</b>	Americas
<b>Agreement name</b>	Acuerdo de Bases respecto de la rehabilitación o reconstrucción de la bocatoma y obras conexas del Canal de Zarumilla Grupo de Trabajo sobre el Canal de Zarumilla
<b>Date</b>	26 Oct 1998
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Interstate/interstate conflict

#### Cenepa War (1995)

This brief conflict was fought between Peru and Ecuador in 1995, over the control of the Cenepa valley on Peruvian territory. There had been earlier military confrontations over this area between the two nations, one in 1941 (the Ecuadorian-Peruvian War), resulting in a border treaty later disagreed with by Ecuador, and another brief confrontation in 1981. The war was initiated by Ecuadorian outposts at the Cenepa River that were discovered by a Peruvian patrol. Peru claimed that the existence of these outposts constituted a violation of Peruvian territory and gave Ecuador an ultimatum to withdraw its patrols or they would be dislodged by force. The deadline passed and Peruvian troops were deployed to the area to remove the Ecuadorian posts, followed by a general mobilization by both sides. Heavy air and ground attack were carried out from the end of January until 28 February when a bilateral ceasefire agreement was signed. In March 1995, the Military Observer Mission to Ecuador and Peru came to Cenepa, which was later turned into a demilitarized zone, to supervise the separation of forces. Furthermore, both governments negotiated the final demarcation of the border, resulting in the Rio Protocol, signed 26 October 1998.

Close  
Cenepa War (1995)

<b>Stage</b>	Implementation/renegotiation
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Ecuador-Peru border dispute peace process
<b>Parties</b>	Ecuador, Peru (no signatories listed)
<b>Third parties</b>	Signatories/witnesses: US, Chile, Argentina, Brazil
<b>Description</b>	Constituent Agmt of Acta Presidencial de Brasilia. Parties agree on joint management of the Canal, establishing a Permanent Binational Commission to that end.

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<b>Agreement document</b>	<a href="#">EC_PE_981026_Base_Agreement_with_respect_to_the_rehabilitation_or_reconstruction_Zarumilla_Canal_tr.pdf (opens in new tab)</a>   <a href="#">Download PDF</a>
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## Groups

**Children/youth** No specific mention.

**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)** 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** [Summary] Agreement concerns the joint maintenance and facilitation of the Zarumilla Canal which entails cross border provisions.

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## **Governance**

**Political institutions (new or reformed)** No specific mention.

**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** 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** The whole agreement refers to the reconstruction and maintenance of a canal, allowing for mobility in the previously disputed area.

**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** 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.

<b>Environment</b>	Page 1, I. THE ZARUMILLA Canal ADMINISTRATION A. General Concepts ... 6. For ecological reasons, the minimum amount of flow that will run through the Zarumilla river waters to the sea will be 0.4 m3/s under capacity, when this is possible.
	Page 2, C. Obligations of Ecuador Immediate obligations 22. Remove the buildings located at the edge of the Canal and stop any dumping of sewage or salty water from waste tanks.
	Page 3, D. Joint Obligations 26. Maintain the Canal's path and remove all existing obstacles that will impede the smooth operation of the Canal that may have originated from its settlers' harmful activities and remove all causes of pollution and sand blockages existing on the Canal's path. ... 28. Clean and decontaminate the Canal and its banks.
<b>Water or riparian rights or access</b>	[Summary] The entire agreement concerns water issues.

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#### **Security sector**

<b>Security Guarantees</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Ceasefire</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Police</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Armed forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>DDR</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Intelligence services</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Withdrawal of foreign forces</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Corruption</b>	No specific mention.

<b>Crime/organised crime</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Drugs</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Terrorism</b>	No specific mention.
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## **Transitional justice**

<b>Transitional justice general</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Amnesty/pardon</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Courts</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Mechanism</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Prisoner release</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Vetting</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Victims</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Missing persons</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Reparations</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Reconciliation</b>	No specific mention.
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## **Implementation**

<b>UN signatory</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Other international signatory</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>Referendum for agreement</b>	No specific mention.
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<b>International mission/force/similar</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Enforcement mechanism</b>	A. 4. parties agree permanent Binational Commission to handle management of the canal. II. Repair to the canal to be considered by the Commission for Integration established to agree a joint development plan for the border region.
<b>Related cases</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Source</b>	<a href="http://www4.congreso.gob.pe/comisiones/1999/exteriores/libro1/2avolum/06nota.htm">http://www4.congreso.gob.pe/comisiones/1999/exteriores/libro1/2avolum/06nota.htm</a>

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