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| Country/ entity | Yemen |
| Region | Middle East and North Africa |
| Agreement name | Final Decision on the delimitation of the Federal Regions |
| Date | 10 Feb 2014 |
| Agreement status | Unilateral document |
| Interim arrangement | Yes |
| Agreement/ conflict level | Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Yemeni Civil Wars (1994) (2011 -)) |
| Stage | Implementation/renegotiation |
| Conflict nature | Government |
| Peace process | Yemen peace process |

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| Parties | <p>Regional Delimitation Committee (Government of President Hadi):</p> <p>Dr ‘ Abd al-Kariīm ‘ Ali ‘ al-Iryaṅī</p> <p>Muhammad Muhammad Qahtaṅ</p> <p>Abu ‘ Bakr ‘ Abd al-Rizaq Baḏhiḅ</p> <p>Sultaṅ Hizaṅ al- ‘ Atwaṅī</p> <p>Yaṣṣiṅ ‘ Umar Makaṅī</p> <p>Saḻīh Ahmad Hubrah</p> <p>Ghaḻīb ‘ Abd Allah Matliq al-Daḻ ‘ ai</p> <p>Dr ‘ Abd Allah Saḻīm Lamlis</p> <p>Naḏiyyah ‘ Abd al- ‘ Aziḻ al-Saqaf</p> <p>Dr Afraḻ ‘ Abd al- ‘ Aziḻ al-Zuḅah</p> <p>Khaḻīd Abu ‘ Bakr Baḻāṣ</p> <p>‘ Abd al-Qaḏr ‘ Ali ‘ Hilaḻ</p> <p>Muhammad ‘ Ali ‘ Abu ‘ Lahuṅ</p> <p>Dr M ‘ aiṅ ‘ Abd al-Malik S ‘ aiḏ</p> <p>Ahmad Abu ‘ Bakr Baḻr ‘ ah</p> <p>Yaṣṣar Ahmad Saḻīm al- ‘ Awaḏi</p> <p>S ‘ aiḏ Saḻīm Baḻqiḅah</p> <p>Dr al- ‘ Azzi Hibah Allah ‘ Ali ‘ Shariṅ</p> <p>Muqḅil Naṣr Lakrash</p> <p>‘ Awad Muhammad bin al-Waziḻ al-Awlaqi</p> <p>Ahmad Muhammad al-Qard ‘ ai</p> <p>Dr Ahmad ‘ Awad bin Mubaḻak – Rapporteur of the Committee</p> <p>Approved by: ‘ Abdrabbuh Mansuḻ Haḏi, President of the Republic Chairman</p> |
| Third parties | - |
| Description | <p>Agreement outlines the creation of six federal regions as a means of devolving power from Sanaa by the Region Delimitation Committee, which was created by Presidential decree outside the framework of the National Dialogue Conference. The agreement states that six regions will be created - four in the north and two in the south.</p> |

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Groups

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| 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. |

Gender

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| Women, girls and gender | No specific mention. |
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| Men and boys | No specific mention. |
| LGBTI | No specific mention. |
| Family | No specific mention. |

State definition

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| Nature of state (general) | <p>Page 2, Principles: The Committee adopted the principles, agreed on in this document and with the decorum of the Comprehensive National Dialogue Conference, as follows: ... - Positive rivalry between the regions - Integration, which ensures the efficient employment of resources in each region and integration with other regions. - Homogeneity to ensure stability of society and economy to meet the needs of the people for quality of life. - All levels enjoy levels of rule with reforms outlined in the constitution within the framework of a unitary state.</p> <p>Page 2, Committee Work Outcomes: First: Delineate the number of regions Building upon data and political visions that were discussed in depth during the period in which the Comprehensive National Dialogue Conference was held. And enquire in the principles which were decided by Yemenis to adopt in order to create a unitary state that aims to ensure a fair partnership in the revolution and the authority and to preserve the security and confirm unity, security and the stability of Yemen, most members of the committee agreed to adopt 6 options for the regions wherein there will be two regions in the south and four in the north.</p> |
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State configuration Page 1, Preamble:
Building on the Presidential Decision no. 2 for the year 2014 on the matter of creating a Region Defining Committee tasked to study and approve a choice of six regions – four in the north and two in the south – or the option of two provinces, or any decision between these two options which may achieve an effective consensus. The Committee will also delineate a number of provinces and states (governorates) which will be formed taking into account the current situation, geographic delimitations and aspects of culture and history. ...

Page 1, Preamble:
... In light of the special importance of the two city municipalities of Sana'a and Aden, presentations were presented designed to give an overview of the situation of these two cities and the expected central and fundamental role they will play in the unified state. ...

Page 2, Committee Work Outcomes:
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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 Page 3, Secondly: General Provisions
1. The formation of current borders for the governorates, 'states', within each region, constitute the total boundaries of that region.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions ... 3. The law of the regions should determine that the borders of the regions may be reviewed after the election cycle or more, and this is regulated by federal law.

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.

Power sharing

Political power sharing Power sharing→Political power sharing→Proportionality in legislature
State level
Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
... 4. To ensure a true partnership in the legislative authority, each region must ensure rotation of the Head of the Legislative Council, as well as ensure fair representation for each state in the Federal Parliament.

Territorial power sharing Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government
Page 2, Committee Work Outcomes:
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Page 3, [Summary] Table contains the details of the new regions.

Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
... 2. Regional laws must containing the possibility of a return to the internal borders of current constituencies within each Administrative region according to specific rules [to come into force] after the election cycle or more, and this is regulated and issued by the legislature of each region.

Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Local/municipal government
Page 3, Secondly: Delineating the following state (governorate) for each region and the naming of the regions and appointing of their capitals:

... Everyone agreed on:

1. The Capital Sana'a: A federal city not subject to the authority of any region, special arrangements to ensure its neutrality and independence will be included in the Constitution.
2. The City of Aden: an administrative and economic city holding a special situation in the framework of the Aden region, to enjoy legislative powers and executive independence.

Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
... 5. To ensure a true partnership in the executive authority, each region must ensure a lack of state control over the jurisdiction of government formation in the region.

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| Economic power sharing | Power sharing→Economic power sharing→Sharing of resources Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions ... 6. To ensure a fair distribution of the revenues of wealth, in consultation with the regions and the states, [the committee] drafted a standardised and fair distribution of natural and non-natural resource revenues in a transparent manner, fair to all the people and taking into account the needs of the producing region and states, in particular the allocation of revenue from the federal government. |
| Military power sharing | No specific mention. |

Human rights and equality

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| 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. |

Rights related issues

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| Citizenship | Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizens, specific rights Page 1-2, Principles: The Committee adopted the principles, agreed on in this document and with the decorum of the Comprehensive National Dialogue Conference, as follows: - All Yemeni citizens enjoy rights and obligations including equal citizenship. |
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Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
...7. To ensure the freedom of trade and economic activity as a means of promoting integration between the regions and facilitate the movement of citizens, goods, services, and money, either directly or indirectly, and not impose any barriers, obstacles, restrictions, customs [tax], tax, or administrative fees when passing from one region to another.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

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.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
... 8. Each region has a leading role in economic development and to ensure equal living conditions in all regions through the strengthening of cooperation and solidarity between the regions.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
... 6. To ensure a fair distribution of the revenues of wealth, in consultation with the regions and the states, [the committee] drafted a standardised and fair distribution of natural and non-natural resource revenues in a transparent manner, fair to all the people and taking into account the needs of the producing region and states, in particular the allocation of revenue from the federal government.

International funds No specific mention.

Business Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions
...7. To ensure the freedom of trade and economic activity as a means of promoting integration between the regions and facilitate the movement of citizens, goods, services, and money, either directly or indirectly, and not impose any barriers, obstacles, restrictions, customs [tax], tax, or administrative fees when passing from one region to another.

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| Taxation | Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Reform of taxation Page 4, Secondly: General Provisions ...7. To ensure the freedom of trade and economic activity as a means of promoting integration between the regions and facilitate the movement of citizens, goods, services, and money, either directly or indirectly, and not impose any barriers, obstacles, restrictions, customs [tax], tax, or administrative fees when passing from one region to another. |
| Banks | No specific mention. |

Land, property and environment

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| Land reform/ rights | No specific mention. |
| Pastoralist/ nomadism rights | No specific mention. |
| Cultural heritage | Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Other Page 3, Secondly: Delineating the following state (governorate) for each region and the naming of the regions and appointing of their capitals: The Committee adopted the following criteria: ... - Societal, cultural and historical factors |
| Environment | No specific mention. |
| Water or riparian rights or access | No specific mention. |

Security sector

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| Security Guarantees | Page 2, Committee Work Outcomes: First: Delineate the number of regions Building upon data and political visions that were discussed in depth during the period in which the Comprehensive National Dialogue Conference was held. And enquire in the principles which were decided by Yemenis to adopt in order to create a unitary state that aims to ensure a fair partnership in the revolution and the authority and to preserve the security and confirm unity, security and the stability of Yemen, most members of the committee agreed to adopt 6 options for the regions wherein there will be two regions in the south and four in the north. |
| Ceasefire | No specific mention. |
| 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.

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 No specific mention.

Missing
persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

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.

Enforcement
mechanism No specific mention.

Related
cases No specific mention.

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