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Country/ Bosnia and Herzegovina entity Yugoslavia (former)

Region **Europe and Eurasia**

Europe and Eurasia

Agreement

name

Agreement on the Passage of Humanitarian Convoys (Makarska Agreement)

10 Jul 1993 Date

Agreement

Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001))

conflict level

Stage Pre-negotiation/process

Conflict nature

Government/territory

Bosnia peace process Peace

process

Parties For the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina - Hadzo

Efendic; For the Croatian Defence Council- Dr. Jadranko Prlic

Third parties Witnessed by representatives of the: Government of the Republic of Croatia-Dr. Mate Granic; International Committee for the Red Cross - C. Von Flue;

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees - Anthony C. Land;

UNPROFOR- William Veennyliet

Description

This agreement provides for the free passage and distribution of humanitarian aid by the UNHCR and the ICRC. The parties commit to not hindering the delivery, including provision to hold uncontrolled armed

elements accountable for any disruption to aid flows.

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Groups

Children/ youth No specific mention.

Disabled

No specific mention.

persons

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers

No specific mention.

Racial/ Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Anti-discrimination

ethnic/

Page 1, 2.

national group

To respect the rules of operation of the International Commitee of the Red Cross and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the organization of the delivery and distribution of humanitarian aid, to facilitate the delivery of such assistance to those for whom it is intended without any

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Religious groups

Groups→Religious groups→Anti-discrimination

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discrimination on the basis of national origin or religion;

Indigenous people

No specific mention.

Other

No specific mention.

groups

Refugees/ displaced

Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive

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persons

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Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender

No specific mention.

Men and boys

No specific mention.

LGBTI

No specific mention.

Family

State definition

Nature of

No specific mention.

state (general)

State

No specific mention.

configuration

Self

No specific mention.

determination

Referendum No specific mention.

State

No specific mention.

symbols

Independence/ No specific mention.

secession

Accession/

No specific mention.

unification

Border

No specific mention.

delimitation

Cross-

No specific mention.

border provision

Governance

Political

No specific mention.

institutions (new or reformed)

Elections

Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political

No specific mention.

parties reform

Civil society Page 1, 2.

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Page 2, 9.

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Traditional/ No specific mention.

religious leaders

Public No specific mention.

administration

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political No specific mention.

power sharing

Territorial No specific mention.

power sharing

Economic No specific mention.

power sharing

Military No specific mention.

power sharing

Human rights and equality

Human No specific mention.

rights/RoL general

Bill of

No specific mention.

rights/ similar Treaty

Page 1, Untitled preamble

incorporation ...taking into account the Agreement signed in Geneva, under the auspices of the International Committee of the Red Cross, 22 May, 1992. and all other

provisions of international humanitarian law;

Page 2, 4.

To undertake all necessary measures to prevent any violations of

international humanitarian law;

Civil and political

No specific mention.

rights

Socio-No specific mention.

economic rights

Rights related issues

No specific mention. Citizenship

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention

No specific mention.

procedures

Media and

No specific mention.

communication

Mobility/ access

Page 1, Untitled preamble

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Page 2, 3.

To undertake all necessary measures to guarantee direct access to the beneficiaries and to ensure the safety and security of all personnel involved, which includes full

responsibility of the parties for acts committed by so called uncontrolled groups, and to guarantee that no duties are required or imposed;

Page 2, 6.

To ensure that the representatives of the Croatian Defence Council and the Army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in their respective zones of responsibility without stopping and controlling guarantee the movement of humanitarian convoys in the most safe and according to the circumstances along the shortest route possible;

Page 2, 7.

To respect the route of movement of a convoy confirmed in the freight documentation;

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Protection

No specific mention.

measures

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international

No specific mention.

human rights

institutions

Justice sector reform

Criminal

justice and emergency

law

emergency

State of

emergency provisions

No specific mention.

No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts

No specific mention.

Prisons and

No specific mention.

detention

Traditional

No specific mention.

Laws

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic

or socio- reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance

economic [Summary] The agreement in its entirety provides for the free flow of

reconstruction humanitarian assistance to areas of Bosnia.

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Page 1, 1.

To create the necessary conditions and assumed full responsibility for the safe and

unhindered delivery and distribution of humanitarian aid;

Page 1, 2.

To respect the rules of operation of the International Commitee of the Red Cross and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the organization of the delivery and distribution of humanitarian aid, to facilitate the delivery of such assistance to those for whom it is intended without any discrimination on the basis of national origin or religion;

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National economic

No specific mention.

plan

Natural resources

No specific mention.

International No specific mention. funds

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land

No specific mention.

reform/ rights

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural

No specific mention.

heritage

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian

No specific mention.

riparian rights or access

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire

No specific mention.

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

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DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces

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Withdrawal No specific mention.

of foreign forces

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/

No specific mention.

organised crime

No specific mention. Drugs

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional No specific mention.

justice general

Amnesty/ pardon

No specific mention.

Courts

No specific mention.

Mechanism

No specific mention.

Prisoner

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release

...Every individual involved with a humanitarian convoy which are unlawfully deprived of their freedom will be released immediately, and unlawfully seized

transported goods will

be returned to their owners no later than thirty days...

Vetting

Victims No specific mention.

Missing

No specific mention.

persons

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN Witnessed by: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees - Anthony C.

signatory Land; UNPROFOR- William Veennvliet

Other No specific mention.

international signatory

Referendum No specific mention.

agreement

International No specific mention.

mission/ force/similar

Enforcement Page 3

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principles of equality and proportionality in the distribution of humanitarian

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Related No specific mention. cases

Source ICTY Court Records, Prlic et. al trial exhibit P10264.E

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