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Country/ entity	Nigeria
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement Reached this Day 7th of January, 2017 Between Agatu People of Benue State and Fulani Herdsmen of Nasarawa State of Nigeria
Date	6 Jan 2017
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict ( Nigerian Civil War (1967), Delta Unrest (1990 - ), Communal Conflicts (1978 - ), and Boko Haram Insurgency (2009 - ) )
Stage	Framework/substantive - comprehensive
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Nigeria - local agreements
Parties	Agatu People of Benue State Fulani Herdsmen of Nasartawa State
Third parties	-
Description	An agreement between two groups dealing with inter-communal conflict and providing for mutual access to Adepati Island, with provisions on access to grazing and fishing, and providing that the agreement may from time to time be monitored by the military.

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## Groups

Children/ youth	Groups→Children/youth→Other Page 1, Article 9 That soldier shall invade the Island on hearing of any gun shot by either Agatu youth or Fulanu herdsmen.  Page 2, Article 10 That both Agatu youth and Fulanu herdsmen should not deploy any armed group to any location except directed by the military.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.

Racial/  
ethnic/  
national  
group

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

Page 1, Untitled preamble

An agreement reached on this day 6th of January, 2017 between Agatu people of Benue state and Fulani Herdsmen of Nasartawa State.

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive

Page 1, Article 1

That Adepati Island is by this agreement opened to Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of grazing only and not for resident.

Page 1, Article 3

That the Island is opened to both Agatu and Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of their economic practices. Hitherto, the Island is also opened to Agatu for fishing without threat.

Page 1, Article 5

That Fulani herdsmen shall be held accountable for any destruction.

Page 1, Article 7

That only the indigenous Fulani that their identity are known that should be allowed to graze on Adapati Island.

Page 1, Article 8

That Neither Agatu nor Fulani herdsmen are allowed to carry about any dangerous Arm.

Page 1, Article 9

That soldier shall invade the Island on hearing of any gun shot by either Agatu youth or Fulanu herdsmen.

Page 2, Article 10

That both Agatu youth and Fulanu herdsmen should not deploy any armed group to any location except directed by the military.

Religious  
groups

No specific mention.

Indigenous people	<p>Groups→Indigenous people→Rhetorical          Untitled preamble          An agreement reached on this day 6th of January, 2017 between Agatu people of Benue state and Fulani Herdsmen of Nasartawa State.</p> <p>Groups→Indigenous people→Substantive          Page 1, Article 1          That Adepati Island is by this agreement opened to Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of grazing only and not for resident.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 3          That the Island is opened to both Agatu and Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of their economic practices. Hitherto, the Island is also opened to Agatu for fishing without threat.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 5          That Fulani herdsmen shall be held accountable for any destruction.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 7          That only the indigenous Fulani that their identity are known that should be allowed to graze on Adapati Island.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 8          That Neither Agatu nor Fulani herdsmen are allowed to carry about any dangerous Arm.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 9          That soldier shall invade the Island on hearing of any gun shot by either Agatu youth or Fulanu herdsmen.</p> <p>Page 2, Article 10          That both Agatu youth and Fulanu herdsmen should not deploy any armed group to any location except directed by the military.</p>
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 No specific mention.

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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 Page 1, Article 1  
That Adepati Island is by this agreement be opened to Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of grazing only and not for residence.

Page 1, Article 3  
That the Island is opened to both Agatu and Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of their economic practices.

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 Page 1, Article 1  
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Page 1, Article 3  
That the Island is opened to both Agatu and Fulani herdsmen for the purpose of their economic practices.

Page 1, Article 4  
That No herdsmen is allowed to grazing beyond the said Island.

Page 1, Article 7  
That only the indigenous Fulani that their identity are known that should be allowed to graze on Adapati Island.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access Page 1, Article 3  
Hitherto, the Island is also opened to Agatu for fishing without threat.

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## Security sector

Security Guarantees Page 1, Article 8  
That Neither Agatu nor Fulani herdsmen are allowed to carry about any dangerous Arm such as Gun, Matchet and Explosives.

Page 1, Article 9  
That soldier shall invade the Island on hearing of any gun shot by either Agatu youth or Fulani herdsmen.

Page 2, Article 10  
That both Agatu youth and Fulani herdsmen should not deploy any armed group to any location except directed by the military.

Page 2, Article 11  
That any armed group from either side that cross over illegally will be engaged by 72 SFBN and 177 BN.

Page 2, Article 12  
That this agreement shall be monitored by the military from time to time.

Page 2, Article 13  
Any breach of this agreement shall lead to the withdrawal of this agreement and the military shall take over the occupation of the Island.

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.

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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

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 No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Article 13  
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Related cases No specific mention.

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