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entity** Philippines

Region Asia and Pacific

**Agreement
name** Joint Statement on the Second Round of Talks between the GRP and the
NDFP

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**Agreement
status** Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim
arrangement** Yes

**Agreement/
conflict level** Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -))

Stage Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict
nature** Government

Peace process Philippines-NDF process

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Member, NDFP Panel

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Asterio B. Palima

Member, NDFP Panel

Third parties Page 4: Expression of Gratitude to RNG Both Panels reiterated their appreciation and gratitude to the Royal Norwegian Government for its steadfast support to the GRP-NDFP peace negotiations and acknowledged the facilitation of Special Envoy to the Philippine Peace Process Elisabeth Slattum and her team. Elisabeth Slattum Third Party Facilitator For the Royal Norwegian Government

Description -

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Groups

Children/
youth Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical
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Disabled
persons Groups→Disabled persons→Rhetorical
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Elderly/age Groups→Elderly/age→Rhetorical

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Migrant workers Groups→Migrant workers→Rhetorical

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Racial/ethnic/national group Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

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Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive

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...

Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	Groups→Indigenous people→Substantive Page 9, ANNEX B: III POLITICAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL REFORMS ... • Self-determination, National Minorities, Indigenous Peoples, and Bangsamoro ...
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/ displaced persons	No specific mention.
Social class	Groups→Social class→Rhetorical Page 7, Annex A GRP AND NDFP RWCs-SER COMMON DRAFT CASER FRAMEWORK AND OUTLINE: Part III. DESIRED OUTCOMES 4. Social, economic and cultural rights (footnote: The rights to self-determination, work, just and favorable work conditions, unionize, social security, of families to protection and assistance, adequate standard of living, food, housing, health, and education are to be included in appropriate parts.) of the working people upheld and discrimination eliminated (footnote: Covering women, children and youth, the urban and rural poor, migrant workers, ethnic and national minorities, the elderly, persons with disability, and other exploited, disadvantaged and discriminated sectors.);

Gender

Women, girls and gender	<p>Women signatories on both the GRP and NDFP side, as well as third party representative.</p> <p>Women are also present as delegation members (see full agreement text).</p> <p>Page 7, Annex A GRP AND NDFP RWCs-SER COMMON DRAFT CASER FRAMEWORK AND OUTLINE: Part III. DESIRED OUTCOMES 4. Social, economic and cultural rights (footnote: The rights to self-determination, work, just and favorable work conditions, unionize, social security, of families to protection and assistance, adequate standard of living, food, housing, health, and education are to be included in appropriate parts.) of the working people upheld and discrimination eliminated (footnote: Covering women, children and youth, the urban and rural poor, migrant workers, ethnic and national minorities, the elderly, persons with disability, and other exploited, disadvantaged and discriminated sectors.);</p> <p>PART IX. GENDER EQUALITY AND REPRESENTATION</p>
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general)	No specific mention.
State configuration	No specific mention.

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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.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references
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Electoral No specific mention.
commission

Political parties reform Governance→Political parties reform→Other political parties reform
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Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/
religious
leaders No specific mention.

Public
administration 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	Page 3, section d: ... The JMC likewise agreed to develop the monitoring system and promote human rights by conducting fora and trainings which will be planned by the Joint Secretariats.
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The JMC will recommend the inclusion of the study of human rights and international humanitarian law in the curriculum of schools.

Bill of rights/similar	No specific mention.
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Treaty incorporation	No specific mention.
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Civil and political rights	No specific mention.
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Socio-economic rights

Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Work

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Health

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Education

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Adequate standard of living

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Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Shelter/housing

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Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention No specific mention.
procedures

Media and No specific mention.
communication

Mobility/ No specific mention.
access

Protection No specific mention.
measures

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or No specific mention.
international
human
rights
institutions

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts Page 9, ANNEX B:
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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
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Section 1. The Parties forge this comprehensive agreement on social and economic reforms with the overall objective of eradicating Philippine poverty and reducing inequality in all their aspects and dimensions to have productive, decent and dignified lives. Towards achieving this, the outcomes of the comprehensive reforms shall include:

1. Rural equality and development to achieve food self-sufficiency and security;
2. A sovereign, self-reliant and Industrialized national economy;
3. Protected and rehabilitated environment, just compensation for affected populations, and sustainable development;
4. Social, economic and cultural rights (footnote: The rights to self-determination, work, just and favorable work conditions, unionize, social security, of families to protection and assistance, adequate standard of living, food, housing, health, and education are to be included in appropriate parts.) of the working people upheld and discrimination eliminated (footnote: Covering women, children and youth, the urban and rural poor, migrant workers, ethnic and national minorities, the elderly, persons with disability, and other exploited, disadvantaged and discriminated sectors.);
5. Sustainable living Incomes for all;
6. Affordable, accessible and quality social services and utilities;
7. Sovereign foreign economic policies and trade relations supporting rural development and national Industrialization; and
8. Monetary and fiscal policy regime for national development.

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PART V. NATIONAL INDUSTRIALIZATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PART XII. FOREIGN ECONOMIC AND TRADE RELATIONS

PART XIII. MONETARY AND FISCAL POLICIES

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Other
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Banks Socio-economic reconstruction→Banks→Central bank
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Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights	<p>Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management</p> <p>Page 7, Annex A GRP AND NDFP RWCs-SER COMMON DRAFT CASER FRAMEWORK AND OUTLINE: PART III.DESIRED OUTCOMES</p> <p>Section 1. The Parties forge this comprehensive agreement on social and economic reforms with the overall objective of eradicating Philippine poverty and reducing inequality in all their aspects and dimensions to have productive, decent and dignified lives. Towards achieving this, the outcomes of the comprehensive reforms shall include:</p> <p>1. Rural equality and development to achieve food self-sufficiency and security;</p> <p>PART IV. AGRARIAN REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Other land rights</p> <p>Page 7, Annex A GRP AND NDFP RWCs-SER COMMON DRAFT CASER FRAMEWORK AND OUTLINE: PART III.DESIRED OUTCOMES</p> <p>Section 1. The Parties forge this comprehensive agreement on social and economic reforms with the overall objective of eradicating Philippine poverty and reducing inequality in all their aspects and dimensions to have productive, decent and dignified lives. Towards achieving this, the outcomes of the comprehensive reforms shall include:</p> <p>1. Rural equality and development to achieve food self-sufficiency and security;</p>
Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	<p>No specific mention.</p>
Cultural heritage	<p>No specific mention.</p>
Environment	<p>Page 7, Annex A GRP AND NDFP RWCs-SER COMMON DRAFT CASER FRAMEWORK AND OUTLINE: Part III. DESIRED OUTCOMES</p> <p>3. Protected and rehabilitated environment, just compensation for affected populations, and sustainable development;</p> <p>PART VI. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, REHABILITATION AND COMPENSATION</p>

Water or riparian rights or access

No specific mention.

Security sector

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Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments

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e. Respective ceasefire committees

The Parties renewed their commitment to work through their respective ceasefire committees to reconcile and develop their separate unilateral ceasefire orders into a single unified bilateral document within 60 days from August 26, 2016.

The Parties engaged in preliminary discussions on different drafts for a potential bilateral ceasefire, took note of concerns on issues related thereto, and relayed alleged incidents vis-a-vis their separate unilateral ceasefire orders.

The Parties stressed that they are exerting best efforts to develop a single unified document of a bilateral ceasefire agreement within a desired period.

The Parties have likewise reaffirmed their declarations of their respective unilateral indefinite ceasefires.

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GRP-NDF Common Outline on EHDF

7 October 2016

I. Preamble

II. Declaration of Principles

III. Bases, Scope and Applicability

IV. Definition of Terms

V. End of Hostilities

VI. Disposition of Forces

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Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR	<p>Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions</p> <p>Page 10: ANNEX C GRP-NDF Common Outline on EHDF 7 October 2016</p> <p>I. Preamble II. Declaration of Principles III. Bases, Scope and Applicability IV. Definition of Terms V. End of Hostilities VI. Disposition of Forces VII. Mechanisms VIII. Concluding Provisions</p>
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 Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper
Page 2, Section 2:
2. Amnesty Proclamation

The Panels reviewed the circumstances and status of the proposed amnesty proclamation since the first round of talks on August 27, 2016.

The GRP Panel said that the amnesty proclamation has already been drafted and endorsed to the Office of the President. The NDFP Panel requested a copy of the said proclamation. The GR Panel assured the NDFP that it shall have a copy in due time.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release Page 2, section 1

The Parties reviewed the Joint Oslo Statements dated June 15 and August 26, 2016 on the issue of the immediate release of detained prisoners listed by the NDFP, giving premium on those prisoners who will be released based on humanitarian grounds. They also reviewed the circumstances and status of JASIG-protected NDFP consultants.

They took good note of the positive steps so far taken, including the finalization of the Revised Guidelines on the Presidential Committee on Bail, Recognizance and Pardon, and agreed to accelerate the process consistent with the Parties' common resolve.

They also agreed that the presidential clemency for and release of three remaining JASIG-protected consultants, Eduardo Sarmiento, Emeterio Antalan and Leopoldo Caloza, shall be expedited. The GRP shall release the prisoners who are listed by the NDFP in accordance with the CARHRIHL pending the approval of the proposed amnesty for their benefit.

The GRP Panel affirms its commitment to work for the release of these prisoners in expeditious and acceptable modes.

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 Page 3, section d:
d. Joint Monitoring Committee

The JMC discussed and agreed to undertake joint activities including the distribution of CARHRIHL in several local languages, brochures, poster-making contest and calendar.

The JMC likewise agreed to develop the monitoring system and promote human rights by conducting fora and trainings which will be planned by the Joint Secretariats.

The JMC will recommend the inclusion of the study of human rights and international humanitarian law in the curriculum of schools.

They had extended discussions and clarifications on documentation and investigation.

The Joint Secretariat shall finalize the coverage of the Joint Education and Capacity Building.

The JMC shall correspondingly amend the budget to cover the various joint activities and submit it to the RNG.

The JMC discussed the Draft Common Supplemental Guidelines initiated in April 2011 including further amendments by the NDFP MC to which the GRP MC asked for more time to study and comment.

The JMC discussed its budget and agreed that the coverage is for fifteen months, beginning October 2016 to December 2017.

Related cases No specific mention.

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