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Central African Republic

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Agreement name

Agreement between the Transitional Government and the armed groups on the principles of disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation and of integration into the uniformed State forces of the Central African

Republic (DDRR Agreement)

Date 10 May 2015

Agreement

Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Central African Republic Conflicts (1996 -))

conflict level

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict

Government

nature

Peace CAR: coups and rebellions process

process

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- Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Babacar Gaye
- Special Representative of the African Union [Illegible signature]
- Special Representative of the President of the Republic of the Congo and International Mediator in the crisis in Central African Republic Basile Ikouebe
- Representative of the Economic Community of Central African States [Illegible signature]

Description

This agreement specifies the modalities and principles or a disarmament, demobilization, reintegration, and repatriation program for armed group in the Central African Republic.

Agreement document

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Groups

Children/ youth Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical

Page 1, Preamble

Bearing in mind the pledge of 5 May 2015, signed by the politico-military groups that participated in the Bangui Forum, to end the recruitment and use of children and other serious violations of the rights of the child;

Groups→Children/youth→Substantive

Page 2, Article 3

The eligibility criteria for participation in the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme are as follows:

[...]

3. Children associated with armed forces and groups are eligible for the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme, whether or not they have weapons.

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Article 5

Bearing in mind the Commitment Agreement between the Government and the politico-military groups, the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme shall comprise the following tasks, to be conducted at the sites to which candidates for the process will report:

1. First, children associated with the politico-military groups will be identified, irrespective of whether or not they have a functioning weapon in their possession, with a view to redirecting them immediately to specific government programmes, with the support of partners;

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Article 6

The national disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme shall be restricted exclusively to eligible combatants. Ineligible combatants, primarily unarmed combatants, shall be transferred to their communities of origin and included in the following specific programmes:

1. The national income-generation programme for combatants and at-risk youth, carried out nationwide and supported by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA), the United Nations Development Programme and other partners;

Disabled persons

No specific mention.

persons

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers

No specific mention.

Racial/

No specific mention.

ethnic/ national group

Religious groups

No specific mention.

Indigenous

No specific mention.

people

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No specific mention.

Other groups

Refugees/

No specific mention.

displaced persons

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women,

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girls and gender

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[...]

3. Eligible combatants will then be identified and registered in a database. They will receive a demobilization card. At this stage, women will be separated from men. Women shall have the same opportunities;

Men and

boys

No specific mention.

LGBTI

No specific mention.

Family

No specific mention.

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/ unification

No specific mention.

Border

No specific mention.

delimitation

Cross-

No specific mention.

border provision

Governance

Political

No specific mention.

institutions (new or reformed) Elections Page 2, Article 4

[...]

Before the elections, and pending the mobilization of the necessary resources for the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation process, the combatants shall present themselves at specific sites, where they will be informed, identified, regrouped, disarmed and cared for during the process.

Electoral No specific mention.

commission

Political

No specific mention.

parties reform

Civil society Page 1, Preamble

Bearing in mind the commitment of all political and civil society actors in the Central African Republic to achieve peace;

Page 1, Preamble

The Transitional Government of the Central African Republic and the aforementioned armed groups, in the presence of the political establishment, civil society and the international community, agree as follows:

Page 4, Article 9

The institutional and coordination framework for the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme shall be set up by the Government and shall include representatives of the armed groups, civil society and the international community.

Traditional/ No specific mention. religious

Public No specific mention.

administration

leaders

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 power

sharing

No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human

Page 1, Preamble

rights/RoL general Firmly resolved to strengthen the rule of law and build a national army

inclusive of all segments of Central African society;

Bill of

rights/ similar No specific mention.

Treaty

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and

political rights

No specific mention.

Socio-

No specific mention.

economic

rights

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention

No specific mention.

procedures

Media and No specific mention.

communication

Mobility/

access

No specific mention.

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

No specific mention.

justice and emergency law

State of emergency provisions

Judiciary and courts

Prisons and detention

Traditional No specific mention.

Laws

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic

or socio- reconstruction→Socio-economic development

economic Page 3, Article 5

reconstruction Bearing in mind the Commitment Agreement between the Government and the politico-military groups, the disarmament, demobilization,

reintegration and repatriation programme shall comprise the following tasks, to be conducted at the sites to which candidates for the process will report:

[...]

5. Combatants who choose to be reintegrated into the community will be transferred to their host communities with a basic support package, and will participate with other community members in community development programmes that generate training and employment opportunities, as part of the community reintegration programme.

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1. The national income-generation programme for combatants and at-risk youth, carried out nationwide and supported by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA), the United Nations Development Programme and other partners;

[...]

3. The reconstruction and development programmes set up by the Government and the international community;

Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance

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- The national income-generation programme for combatants and at-risk youth, carried out nationwide and supported by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA), the United Nations Development Programme and other partners;
- 2. The community violence reduction programmes supported by MINUSCA and development partners;
- 3. The reconstruction and development programmes set up by the Government and the international community;
- 4. The Government and the leaders of the politico-military groups, together with MINUSCA and other partners, will coordinate donor-funded programmes to promote the social reinsertion of former combatants.

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.

rights or access

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments

Page 1, Article 1

The combatants affiliated with all the armed groups agree and solemnly undertake, before the people of the Central African Republic, to put a definitive end to the armed conflicts in the Central African Republic.

The combatants affiliated with those armed groups formally undertake to lay down their weapons, renounce armed struggle as a means of political advocacy, participate in a disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme, and engage in political competition as defined in the present Agreement.

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

Page 3, Article 7

Some former combatants participating in the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme will be integrated into the uniformed State forces. The recruitment capacity of these forces shall be established under the new law on military programming and security sector reform.

Integration into the uniformed forces shall be undertaken gradually and on a case-by-case basis. It shall be governed by criteria of professionalism and fairness and shall be aimed at rebuilding the country's security institutions.

Integration will be possible only after a transparent verification process supported by the international community.

Former combatants who volunteer to join the uniformed forces but do not pass national recruitment tests shall be redirected to the community reintegration programmes.

DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

The entire agreement sets our DDR principles, provisions, and programmes.

Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes

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Intelligence services

Intelligence No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group

The entire agreements sets out the terms of how former combatants in armed

groups will be dealt with through DDR and other programmes.

Withdrawal Page 3-4, Article 8

of foreign

forces

Article 8

Combatants who are identified as foreigners and who have not committed forces

war crimes in the Central African Republic shall be repatriated to their

countries of origin. The Government, with the support of MINUSCA and other partners, shall establish international contacts with a view to the repatriation

of foreign combatants.

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/ organised No specific mention.

crime

Drugs

No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional No specific mention.

justice general

Amnesty/

No specific mention.

pardon

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner

No specific mention.

release

Vetting

No specific mention.

Victims

No specific mention.

Missing

No specific mention.

persons

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN Observers

signatory – Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

(Signed) Babacar Gaye

Other Observers

international – Special Representative of the African Union

signatory (Signed) [Illegible signature]

- Special Representative of the President of the Republic of the Congo and

International Mediator in the crisis in Central African Republic

(Signed) Basile Ikouebe

- Representative of the Economic Community of Central African States

(Signed) [Illegible signature]

Referendum No specific mention.

for

agreement

International Page 3, Article 6

mission/

The national disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation force/similar programme shall be restricted exclusively to eligible combatants. Ineligible combatants, primarily unarmed combatants, shall be transferred to their communities of origin and included in the following specific programmes:

- 1. The national income-generation programme for combatants and at-risk youth, carried out nationwide and supported by the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA), the United Nations Development Programme and other
- 2. The community violence reduction programmes supported by MINUSCA and development partners;
- 3. The reconstruction and development programmes set up by the Government and the international community;
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Page 3-4, Article 8

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mechanism

Enforcement Page 4, Article 9

The institutional and coordination framework for the disarmament, demobilization, reintegration and repatriation programme shall be set up by the Government and shall include representatives of the armed groups, civil society and the international community.

A monitoring and evaluation mechanism shall be established along the same lines.

Related

No specific mention.

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