

Country/entity	Ethiopia Kenya
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreed Minutes of the Second Meeting between Ethiopian Southern Nations, Nationalities and People's Regional State and Kenya's Rift Valley Province Administrators/Commissioners together with Community Representatives, Hawassa, Ethiopia
Date	2 Nov 2009
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict

Local conflict in the Kenya-Ethiopia border regions (2009)

The conflict between the Turkana people, and the Nyangatom and Dassenach people in Turkana North District, northwestern Kenya, is rooted in access to shared natural resources, especially water and grazing rights. This longstanding source of conflict in the Ethiopian-Kenyan border areas is now characterised by a continuous sequence of equivalent retaliation between the pastoralist groups, oftentimes in the form of cattle raiding. Increased pressure on natural resources in the region combined with the influx of automatic weapons in the 1970s have contributed to an increasingly violent conflict between the communities, resulting in wide displacements and many deaths. Indeed, the presence of assault rifles has also led to individuals acting outside the framework of community-sanctioned raids, turning communal cattle raiding into a form of organized crime. A meeting in Nakuru between representatives in October 2009 saw the resolution of recovering the 800 Nyangatom herds of cattle which were held by Turkana pastoralists. However, this resolution fell through as five days later the Nyangatoms raided the Kibish area in Kenya. The cycle of intermittent violence is persisting.

Close

Local conflict in the Kenya-Ethiopia border regions (2009)

Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Kenya-Ethiopia local cross-border talks

Parties

KENYAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

1. S.O. WARFA PC RIFT VALLEY AND HEAD OF DELEGATION
2. S.M. MWADIME OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
3. R.A. ONYANGO OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
4. FRANCIS M.MUNYAMBU PPO RIFT VALLEY PROVINCE
5. P.N. NJORE REGIONAL COORDINATOR, RIFT VALLEY
6. DICKSON L. MAGOTSI OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT/NSC CEWERU
7. DOUGLAS G. KARANJA PROVINCIAL AP COMMANDER
8. NDUNGU WA IKONYA OCPD TURKANA NORTH
9. J.O OBUO D.C. TURKANA NORTH
10. F.K. KIPSANG DCIO, TURKANA NORTH
11. HELLEN GICHUHI MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
12. HON. BOAZ KAINO,MP PARLAMENTARIAN
13. HON. JOSHUA KUTUNY,MP PARLAMENTARIAN
14. HON. RAPHAEL LETIMALO,MP PARLAMENTARIAN
15. JOHN WANYOIKE SELECT COMMITTEE SECRETARY
16. GILBERT NG'ENO KENYAN EMBASSY IN ETHIOPIA

KENYAN COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

1. EKAL MERESIA DPC/VICE CHAIR
2. PHILIP LOBOLIA DPC MEMBER
3. NAPEYOK EIPA DPC WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE
4. JOSEPHAT EWOI CHIEF, MEYAN LOCATION
5. GEOFFREY EKAI CHIEF, KAREBUR
6. GEORGE LONYALA ELDER TODONYANG
7. PETER ACHELE PEACE MONITOR
8. JOSEPH LAMEKWI PEACE MONITOR
9. ROBERT ASURUT ELDER
10. EZRA L. LOCHOKA CHIEF, KOKURO

ETHIOPIAN DELEGATES

1. H.E. ATO SHIFERAW SHIGUTIE PRESIDENT OF SNNPRS/HEAD OF DELEGATION.
2. ATO ADMASU ANGO SNNPRS HEAD JUSTICE
3. ATO WODO ATO POLICE COMMISSIONER
4. ATO ASFA ABIYU HEAD OF SECURITY ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
5. ATO KASSA G/YOWHANS MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
6. ATO ZELALAME ASIRAT HEAD DIASPORA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE SNNPRS
7. ATO EKAL NETIR CHIEF ADM. NYANGATOM DISTRICT.
8. ATO LOSIYA ERGUDO CHIEF ADM. DASSANECH DISTRICT.
9. ATO TSEGAYE MULUNEHE HEAD OF SOUTH OMO POLICE OFFICER
10. AGEAZI BRHANE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
11. ZELALAEM AMADO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
12. GETACHEW TOROCHI HEAD OF SOUTH OMO ZONE JUSTICE AND SECURITY
13. NIGATU DENISA CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR NYANGATOM DISTRICT
14. TEDIWOS LEBEN DASSANCH DISTRICT JUSTICE AND SECURITY.
15. COM.DEMEKE ENDALE DASSANCH DISTRICT POLICE COMMISSIONER
16. JON ACHIEHIYU JUSTICE & SECURITY NYENGATON
17. SIJIN TEKILU KFILE POLICE COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE NYANGATOM
18. HON. MP AWOKE AIKE MP ETHIOPIAN

Third parties	OBSERVERS 1. TIGIST HAILU CEWARN/IGAD 2. TEEMET BEKELE CEWARN/IGAD 3. BELAY G/HIWOT CEWARN/IGAD
Description	Meeting between Kenyan and Ethiopian officials, along with community representatives with a view to ending criminality, including cattle rustling.

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Groups

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

**Women, girls and
gender** Page 5, LIST OF PARTICIPANTS, KENYAN COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES
...
3. NAPEYOK EIPA DPC WOMEN REPRESENTATIVE

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.

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 Page 4, D: WAY FORWARD
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3. The joint cross border administrators committee holds meetings every 15 days.
...
7. Establish and strengthen joint cross border peace structures with a view to improving coordination and response to issues of conflict.

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 Page 4, D: WAY FORWARD
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Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

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.

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.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

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 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.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/nomadism rights Summary: The agreement in its entirety addresses cross-border cattle rustling between several pastoral communities.

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3. The joint cross border administrators committee holds meetings every 15 days.

4. Jointly apprehend and hand over culprits involved in cattle rustling and other related crimes.

5. Enhance contact among the various structures through improved, reliable, timely, and credible information sharing.

6. Sustain political support in addressing cattle rustling.

7. Establish and strengthen joint cross border peace structures with a view to improving coordination and response to issues of conflict.

8. Jointly work towards stamping out cattle rustling.

9. The Omo Zone Administrator, Ethiopia, and Turkana North District Commissioner to give monthly reports on the implementation of the peace process to the President of SNNPRS and the PC, Rift Valley.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

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	<p>Page 4, D: WAY FORWARD</p> <p>We the delegates from Ethiopia and Kenya hereby agree to the following;</p> <p>...</p> <p>4. Jointly apprehend and hand over culprits involved in cattle rustling and other related crimes.</p> <p>...</p> <p>6. Sustain political support in addressing cattle rustling.</p> <p>...</p> <p>8. Jointly work towards stamping out cattle rustling.</p>
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

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Prisoner release

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Vetting

No specific mention.

Victims

No specific mention.

Missing persons

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Reparations

Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations

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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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