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Country/ entity	Philippines Mindanao
Region	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Terms of Reference for the GPH-MILF Joint Communications Committee
Date	14 Dec 2017
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Philippine Insurgencies (1968 - ) )
Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Philippines - Mindanao process
Parties	FOR THE GPH: USEC. NABIL A. TAN Chair, GPH Implementing Panel FOR THE MILF: MOHAGHER IQBAL Chair, MILF Implementing Panel
Third parties	SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF DATO' KAMARUDIN BIN MUSTAFA Malaysian Facilitator and/or Special Adviser
Description	Gives terms for how decisions on communications from both parties should be jointly managed.

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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.

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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.

## II. Mandate

The GPH-MILF Joint Communications Committee shall support the Implementing Panels in performing its mandate of ensuring the efficient and effective implementation of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro and other agreements that may be signed by the Parties.

## III. Tasks

1. Through joint and cooperative endeavors, support the Implementing Panels in carrying out the provisions under Article IV Media Coverage of their TOR.
2. Provide advice and guidance to an implementing structure in the execution of the approved Joint Communications Plan.
3. Ensure that the contents and forms of joint communications initiatives are consistent with the Plan, and do not, in anyway jeopardize the implementation of the CAB.
4. Monitor and evaluate the progress of delivery of the Joint Communications Plan, the achievement of the objectives, and planned results.
5. Periodically report to the Implementing Panels on the status of, as well as issues and concerns about the Joint Communications Plan, and make recommendations as necessary.
6. Formulate protocols and processes, which are subject to the approval of the Implementing Panels, in relation to the issuance of joint statements and conduct of joint press conferences.
7. Coordinate with relevant GPH-MILF mechanisms such as the Bangsamoro Transition Commission (BTC) Communications Group.
8. Perform such other functions as mutually agreed upon by the Implementing Panels in relation to joint communications

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## IV. Composition

1. The GPH-MILF Joint Communications Committee shall be composed of three representatives each from the GPH and the MILF. It shall be co-chaired by designated representatives of the GPH and MILF, respectively.
2. The GPH-MILF JOint Communications Committee shall organize a secretariat commensurate to its technical, operational and administrative requirements. It may promulgate its own internal rules of operations consistent with this ~~Page 6 of 11~~ Reference.

Mobility/  
access      No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.



Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.
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## **Security sector**

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
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Ceasefire	No specific mention.
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Police	No specific mention.
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Armed forces	No specific mention.
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DDR	No specific mention.
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Intelligence services	No specific mention.
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Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
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Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
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Corruption	No specific mention.
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Crime/ organised crime	No specific mention.
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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 No specific mention.

Related  
cases No specific mention.

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