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Country/ entity	Georgia Abkhazia
Region	Europe and Eurasia Europe and Eurasia
Agreement name	Protocol of the fifth session of the Coordinating Council of the Georgian and Abkhaz sides
Date	2 Sep 1998
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Georgian Separatist Conflicts (1989 - ) )
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Abkhazia peace process
Parties	The Georgian side was represented by a delegation headed by Mr. Vazha Lordkipanidze. The Abkhaz side was represented by a delegation headed by Mr. Sergei Bagapsh.
Third parties	UN (Chair), Russian Federation (Facilitator), OSCE, Group of Friends of the UNSG (France, Germany, Russian Federation, UK, US) as observers
Description	Agreed to take effective steps to stop violence and to establish joint group to investigate and prevent terrorist acts and other offences. Pledged to examine and respond to protests made by UNOMIG and CISCPF about violations of Moscow Agreement, and agreed to request the UN Special Representative to resume negotiations on the elimination of consequences of May's events, return of refugees, and measures to rehabilitate Abkhazia's economy. In an Annex the Special Representative, representatives of the Russian Federation and others appealed to sides to refrain from actions that might exacerbate the situation, especially with regard to construction of military engineering installations.

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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	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive Page 2, The Coordinating Council adopted the following decisions: ... 4. To request the Special Representative of the Secretary-General to resume negotiations between the sides on the elimination of the consequences of the May events, the safe return of refugees and measures to rehabilitate Abkhazia's economy.
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.
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Elections	No specific mention.
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Electoral commission	No specific mention.
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Political parties reform	No specific mention.
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Civil society	No specific mention.
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Traditional/religious leaders	No specific mention.
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Public administration	No specific mention.
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Constitution	No specific mention.
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## **Power sharing**

Political power sharing	No specific mention.
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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	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 Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development  
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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 Page 2, The agenda contained the following items:<sup>20</sup><sub>28</sub>  
Opening the session, Mr. Liviu Bota, the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, said that the participants in the session should focus their attention on three issues :  
The Coordinating Council adopted the following decisions:  
1. Considering the need to halt the dangerous escalation of tension, which threatens to lead to a resumption of armed clashes, the sides must:  
... (c) The Abkhaz side shall take measures to protect civilians living in Gali district from unlawful acts involving the use of force.

Page 2, ANNEX  
... This pertains, first of all, to both sides' halting construction of military-engineering installations and their destruction, within 30 days, by the forces of the sides under the supervision of UNOMIG and the CIS Collective Peacekeeping Forces.



Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision  
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Page 2, ANNEX  
The Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, representatives of the Russian Federation in its capacity as facilitator, the States members of the group of Friends of the Secretary-General and OSCE urgently appeal to the sides to refrain from any actions that might exacerbate the situation in the conflict zone and lead to a resumption of armed clashes.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/  
rebel and  
opposition  
group  
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... (b) Take measures to halt terrorist and subversive groups, armed formations and individuals from crossing the line separating the sides;

Withdrawal of foreign forces No specific mention.

Corruption No specific mention.

Crime/  
organised  
crime No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism Page 2, The agenda contained the following items:<sup>28</sup>  
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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 Page 2, ANNEX  
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Enforcement mechanism Page 2, 2. sides to establish a joint group to investigate and prevent terrorist acts and other offences. The group shall consist of representatives of the sides, UNOMIG and CIS peacekeeping forces.

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Related cases No specific mention.

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