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Country/entity Democratic Republic of Congo

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Act of Non Aggression

Date 9 May 2022

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

Congo Civil Wars (1996 -)

The overthrow of the long-term dictator Mobutu Sese Seko by a rebel Tutsi army backed by Uganda and Rwanda in 1997 acted as a catalyst for a war with regional dimensions, mainly fought in the eastern Kivu provinces. The conflict escalated in 1998, when President Laurent Kabila, then backed by Zimbabwean and Angolan troops, ordered Rwanda and Uganda to leave. After Kabila's assassination in 2001, his son Joseph took over the presidency and won in the 2006 democratic elections.

In the eastern provinces, Tutsi-led militias, mainly organised in the National Congress for the Defense of the People (CNDP), fought the remnants of the Rwandan Hutu force FDLR, with further involvement of Rwandan and Ugandan troops. Other regionally operating militia groups, like the Lord's Resistance Army from Northern Uganda, the so-called Mai Mai groups or short-lived guerrilla outfits like the March 23 Movement (M23) further contributed, and still contribute, to the complexity of the situation in eastern DRC. Close

Congo Civil Wars (1996 -

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Stage Ceasefire/related

Conflict nature Government/territory

Peace process DRC: Eastern DRC processes

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Issa Serughudo fon., President of the movement, ANCDH/AFDP

Third parties Armed Forces of the DRC

Description Ceasefire agreement between four armed groups in Pinga (territories of Waikale, North

Kivu)

Agreement document

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document (original

language)

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 No specific mention.

persons

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and

gender

No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state

No specific mention.

(general)

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/

No specific mention.

unification

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision

No specific mention.

Governance

Political No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

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

Governance→Constitution→Constitution affirmation/renewal

Article 52 of the Constitution of the Democratic Republic of Congo (RDC) from 18 February 2006, as amended in 2011, which provides for that all people of Congo have

right to peace and security, as well as for a national and international plan:

Taking into consideration the Article 63 of the Constitution of the DRC which provides for that all people of Congo have both right and a sacred duty to defend their country and its

territorial integrity against external threat or aggression;

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 No specific mention.

general

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political

rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Liberty and security of person Article 52 of the Constitution of the Democratic Republic of Congo (RDC) from 18 February 2006, as amended in 2011, which provides for that all people of Congo have

right to peace and security, as well as for a national and international plan:

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Other

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territorial integrity against external threat or aggression;

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 We further commit to facilitate a free circulation of people and their possessions in the

territory under our control.

Protection

measures

No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international

No specific mention.

international human rights institutions

Justice sector reform

 $\label{lem:criminal} \textbf{Criminal justice and} \ \ \text{No specific mention}.$

emergency law

State of emergency No specific mention.

provisions

Judiciary and

No specific mention.

courts

Prisons and

No specific mention.

detention

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

National economic No specific mention.

plan

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/

No specific mention.

nomadism rights

Cultural heritage

No specific mention.

Environment

No specific mention.

Water or riparian

rights or access

No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees

The whole signatory group shall benefit from the shared protection of all the signatories of this act.

Therefore, any aggression against any of the signatories shall be an aggression against the whole group.

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

We, the patriots of (APCES, CMC/FDP, NDCR, ANCD, AFDP) declare the termination of the hostilities and all acts of violence between us, the signatories of this act of non-aggression.

As a consequence, we refrain from taking or facilitating any acts between us or against any of us which would disturb the peace and the security of our province as well as of the RDC.

On the contrary, we undertake to stop any aggressor or troublemaker who would disturb the peace in the Nord-Kivu or in RDC in general.

This peacemaking process, on which each of the signatory armed groups undertakes to take part, also implies that the government army FADRC must not be attacked as long as it respects the patriot and non-provocative conduct.

This Act of Non-Aggression remains open to any other movements of patriots who subscribe to the mechanism of the pacification process in the East of the RDC and in the country overall.

During that, any adhesion to this Act shall be subject to thorough examination by a committee established ad hoc.

In case of misunderstanding, dispute or disagreement between us, a committee subsequently established for that purpose shall decide about the question in order to achieve a positive and peaceful outcome.

Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments

For this purpose, we swear in front of the God and the people of Congo that each of us shall respect this Act of Non-Aggression between the signatories.

Police

No specific mention.

Armed forces

Committing to the efforts of the Head of the State, the Chief Commander of the Armed Forces of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (FARDC) and of the Congolese National Police (PNC) and the guarantor of the nation determined to restore peace and security of the East of the RDC, the signatories of this act ask the Congolese government to remedy all injustices stemming from the agreement imposed to the advantage of the aggressors and to the detriments of the defending patriots.

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DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces We, the patriots of (APCES, CMC/FDP, NDCR, ANCD, AFDP) declare the termination of the hostilities and all acts of violence between us, the signatories of this act of non-aggression.

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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 No specific mention. **general**

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.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international No specific mention.

signatory

Referendum for No specific mention.

agreement

International No specific mention.

mission/force/

similar

Enforcement In case of misunderstanding, dispute or disagreement between us, a committee mechanism subsequently established for that purpose shall decide about the question in order to

achieve a positive and peaceful outcome.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source No specific mention.