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Country/ entity	Eritrea Ethiopia
Region	Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement on Cessation of Hostilities between the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Government of the State of Eritrea
Date	18 Jun 2000
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Interstate/interstate conflict (Eritrean Border Conflicts (1998 - 2018))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Territory
Peace process	Eritrea-Ethiopia border dispute peace process
Parties	The Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Government of the State of Eritrea For the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia: SEYOUUM MESFIN Minister of Foreign Affairs For the Government of the State of Eritrea: HAILE WELDENSAE Minister of Foreign Affairs
Third parties	Having taken part in the Proximity Talks called by the Organization of African Unity in Algiers from 29 May to 10 June 2000, under the Chairmanship of Algeria the Current Chair of the OAU and with the participation of its partners namely the United States and the European Union,
Description	This agreement provides for the cessation of hostilities and a ceasefire monitoring mechanism through the deployment of a United Nations Peacekeeping Mission.

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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	<p>Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive Page 2, Paragraph 8: Upon the signing of the present document, both Parties shall conduct demining activities as soon as possible with a view to creating the conditions necessary for the deployment of the Peacekeeping Mission, the return of civilian administration and the return of population as well as the delimitation and demarcation of their common border. The Peace-keeping Mission, in conjunction with the United Nations Mine Action Service, will assist the Parties' demining efforts by providing technical advice and coordination. The Parties shall, as necessary, seek additional demining assistance from the Peacekeeping Mission.</p> <p>Page 2, Paragraph 11: Upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the Peacekeeping Mission, Eritrean civilian administration, including police and local militia, will be restored to prepare for the return of the population.</p>

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 (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 Page 1, Untitled Preamble:

delimitation ...

Committing themselves to the following principles:

...

- Respect for the borders existing at independence as stated in resolution AHG/ Res 16 (1) adopted by the OAU Summit in Cairo in 1964 and, in this regard, determine them on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law, making use, to that end, of technical means to demarcate the borders and, in case of controversy, resort to the appropriate mechanism of arbitration;

Page 2, Paragraph 5:

The Peacekeeping Mission shall terminate when the delimitation-demarcation process of the border has been completed.

Page 2, Paragraph 8:

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Page 2, Paragraph 10:

In accordance with the principle established in paragraph 3 of the Framework Agreement, it is understood that the redeployment of Ethiopian forces will not prejudice the final status of the contested areas, which will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation of the border and, if need be, through an appropriate mechanism of arbitration.

Page 2, Paragraph 12:

In order to contribute to the reduction of tension and to the establishment of a climate of calm and confidence, as well as to create conditions conducive to a comprehensive and lasting settlement of the conflict through the delimitation and demarcation of the border, the Eritrean forces shall remain at a distance of 25 km (artillery range) from positions to which Ethiopian forces shall redeploy in accordance with paragraph 9 of this document. This zone of separation shall be referred to in this document as the "temporary security zone."

Page 3, Paragraph 14:

Ethiopia commits itself not to move its troops beyond the positions it administered before 6 May 1998. Eritrea commits itself not to move its troops beyond the positions defined in paragraph 12 above. The OAU and the United Nations commit themselves to guarantee the respect for this commitment of the two Parties until the determination of the common border on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law, through delimitation/demarcation and in case of controversy, through the appropriate mechanism of arbitration. This guarantee shall be comprised of:
a) measures to be taken by the international community should one or both of the Parties violate this commitment, including appropriate measures to be

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 Page 2, Paragraph 8:
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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 ... Page 1, Untitled Preamble:
Committing themselves to the following principles:
- Resolution of the present crisis and any other dispute between them through peaceful and legal means in accordance with the principles enshrined in the charters of the OAU and the United Nations;
...
- Respect for the borders existing at independence as stated in resolution AHG/ Res 16 (1) adopted by the OAU Summit in Cairo in 1964 and, in this regard, determine them on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law, making use, to that end, of technical means to demarcate the borders and, in case of controversy, resort to the appropriate mechanism of arbitration;

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a) measures to be taken by the international community should one or both of the Parties violate this commitment, including appropriate measures to be taken under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter by the UN Security Council;

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 Page 1, Paragraph 1;
Immediate cessation of hostilities starting from the signature of this document. In particular the two Parties agree to the following:
...
1-2. guarantee of the free movement and access of the Peacekeeping Mission and its supplies as required through the territories of the Parties ;

Protection measures Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other
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...
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1-3. respect and protection of the members of the Peacekeeping Mission, its installations and equipment.

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 No specific mention.

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 Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
The agreement provides in its entirety for the a ceasefire.

Page 1-2, Paragraph 3:

3 - The mandate of the Peacekeeping Mission shall be:

...

3-2. monitor the redeployment of Ethiopian troops;

Page 2, Paragraph 6:

A Military Coordination Commission shall be established by the OAU and the United Nations with agreement of the two Parties in order to facilitate the functions of the Peacekeeping Mission. It shall be composed of representatives of the two Parties and chaired by the leader of the Peacekeeping Mission.

Page 2, Paragraph 7:

The mandate of the Military Coordination Commission shall be to coordinate and resolve issues relating to the implementation of the mandate of the Peacekeeping Mission as defined in the present document. The Commission shall deal with military issues arising during the implementation period.

Page 2, Paragraph 9:

Ethiopia shall submit redeployment plans for its troops from positions taken after 6 February 1999, and which were not under Ethiopian administration before 6 May 1998, to the Peacekeeping Mission. This redeployment shall be completed within two weeks after the deployment of the Peacekeeping Mission and verified by it.

Page 2, Paragraph 10:

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Page 3, Paragraph 13:

The Eritrean forces at positions defined in paragraph 12 of this document, as well as Ethiopian forces at positions defined in paragraph 9 of this document, shall be monitored by the Peacekeeping Mission.

Police	Page 2, Paragraph 11: Upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the Peacekeeping Mission, Eritrean civilian administration, including police and local militia, will be restored to prepare for the return of the population.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions Page 2, Paragraph 8: Upon the signing of the present document, both Parties shall conduct demining activities as soon as possible with a view to creating the conditions necessary for the deployment of the Peacekeeping Mission, the return of civilian administration and the return of population as well as the delimitation and demarcation of their common border. The Peace-keeping Mission, in conjunction with the United Nations Mine Action Service, will assist the Parties' demining efforts by providing technical advice and coordination. The Parties shall, as necessary, seek additional demining assistance from the Peacekeeping Mission.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	Page 2, Paragraph 11: Upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the Peacekeeping Mission, Eritrean civilian administration, including police and local militia, will be restored to prepare for the return of the population.
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 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.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/
force/similar Page 1, Paragraph 1;
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1-2. guarantee of the free movement and access of the Peacekeeping Mission and its supplies as required through the territories of the Parties ;
1-3. respect and protection of the members of the Peacekeeping Mission, its installations and equipment.

Page 1, Paragraph 2:

A Peacekeeping Mission shall be deployed by the United Nations under the auspices of the OAU.

Page 1-2, Paragraph 3:

3 - The mandate of the Peacekeeping Mission shall be:

3-1. monitor the cessation of hostilities;

3-2. monitor the redeployment of Ethiopian troops;

3-3. ensure the observance of the security commitments agreed by the two Parties in this document, in particular those provided for in paragraph 14;

3-4. monitor the temporary security zone provided for in paragraph 12 of this document.

Page 2, Paragraph 4:

The size and the composition of the Peacekeeping Mission shall be adapted to the mission assigned to it and shall be determined by the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU with the acceptance of the two Parties.

Page 2, Paragraph 5:

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Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Paragraph 7:
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Related cases No specific mention.

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