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Burundi

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Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement

Agreement Embodying a Convention on Governance between the Forces for

name

Democratic Change and the Political Parties of the Opposition

10 Sep 1994 Date

Agreement

Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Burundian Civil War (1993-2005))

conflict level

Stage Pre-negotiation/process

Conflict

Government

nature

Peace Burundi: Arusha and related peace process

process

Political Parties signing the Coventions: **Parties**

UPRONA (Signed) Charles MUKASI, President; PP (Signed) Shedrack

NIYONKURU, President; FRODEBU (Signed), Jean-Marie NGENDAHAYO, for the President; RPB (Signed) Ernest KABUSHEMEYE, President; ANADDE (Signed) Ignace BANKAMWABO, President; PL (Signed) Gaëtan NIKOBAMYE, President; PSD (Signed) Vincent NDIKUMASABO, President; INKINZO (Signed) Alfonse RUGAMBARARA, President; PIT (Signed) Nicéphore NDIMURUKUNDO,

President

FOR THE GOVERNMENT (Signed) Sylvestre NIBANTUNGANYA; President of the

Republic a.i.

(Signed) Anatole KANYENKIKO, Prime Minister

Third parties INTERNATIONAL OBSERVERS: (Signed) Ahmedou OULD ABDALLAH, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, (Signed) Léandre BASSOLE, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the

Organization for African Unity

OFFICE OF THE FORUM: (Signed) Monsignor Simon NTAMWANA, (Signed) Monsignor Bernard BUDUDIRA, (Signed) Antoine NIJEMBAZI, (Signed) Vincent

KUBWIMANA

Description

The agreement addresses a number of confidence building measure. It provides for the following: TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS; TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT; TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS; TITLE IV. MECHANISMS TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION; TITLE V. FINAL PROVISIONS.

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Groups

Children/ youth Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 2:

The Convention also seeks to build a State based on the rule of law through:

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- The education of the population, especially young people, in the values of peace and tolerance.

Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

...

- Education of the inhabitants, especially young people, for peace, respect for life, tolerance and other democratic values;

Groups→Children/youth→Substantive
Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32:
During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

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17. Ministry of Youth, Sport and Culture

Disabled persons

No specific mention.

Elderly/age

No specific mention.

Migrant workers

No specific mention.

Racial/

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

ethnic/ national Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

group

ationat ..

Resolved to build a future of peace, to rethink and revitalize the democratic process in a State based on the rule of law in the interest of all its citizens

irrespective of ethnic, social or political affiliation;

Page 6, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, Article 10:

The President of the Republic must be a person who inspires confidence and is capable of bringing together the people of Burundi in all its ethnic, social and political diversity. The primary task of the President as Head of State is to guarantee for each citizen the right to life and enjoyment of his freedoms with a view to his integral development.

Religious groups

No specific mention.

Indigenous people

No specific mention.

Other

No specific mention.

groups

 $Refugees/ \qquad Groups {\rightarrow} Refugees/ displaced\ persons {\rightarrow} Substantive$

displaced persons

Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

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- The reintegration of displaced persons and the repatriation and resettlement of refugees in conditions of optimum security;

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

•••

7. Ministry for the Reintegration and Resettlement of Displaced Persons and Returnees

Social class → Groups → Social class → Rhetorical

Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

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Resolved to build a future of peace, to rethink and revitalize the democratic process in a State based on the rule of law in the interest of all its citizens irrespective of ethnic, social or political affiliation;

Page 6, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, Article 10:

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Gender

Women, girls and gender

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

...

16. Ministry of Human Rights, Social Services and the Advancement of Women

Men and

boys

No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of

No specific mention.

state (general)

State No specific mention.

configuration

Self No specific mention. determination

Referendum No specific mention.

State No specific mention. symbols

Independence/ No specific mention. secession

Accession/ No specific mention. unification

Border No specific mention. delimitation

Cross- No specific mention. border

provision

Governance

Political institutions

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→New political

institutions (indefinite)

(new or reformed)

Page 2-3, Untitled Preamble:

AGREEMENT EMBODYING A CONVENTION ON GOVERNANCE BETWEEN THE FORCES FOR DEMOCRATIC CHANGE, CONSISTING OF THE FRONT POUR LA DEMOCRATIE AU BURUNDI (FRODEBU), THE RASSEMBLEMENT DU PEUPLE BURUNDAIS (RPB), THE PARTI DU PEUPLE (PP), THE PARTI LIBERAL (PL) AND THE POLITICAL PARTIES OF THE OPPOSITION, COMPOSED OF THE UNION POUR LE PROGRES NATIONAL (UPRONA), THE RALLIEMENT POUR LA DEMOCRATIE ET LE DEVELOPPEMENT ECONOMIQUE ET SOCIAL (RADDES), INKINZO, THE PARTI SOCIAL DEMOCRATE (PSD), THE ALLIANCE NATIONALE POUR LE DROIT ET LE DEVELOPPEMENT (ANADDE), THE ALLIANCE BURUNDO-AFRICAINE POUR LE SALUT (ABASA), THE PARTI INDEPENDENT DES TRAVAILLEURS (PIT), THE PARTI POUR LA RECONCILIATION DU PEUPLE (PRP) AND THE PARTI POUR LE REDRESSEMENT NATIONAL (PARENA).

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 3:

Political consensus is a determining factor for the re-establishment of peace, security, trust and stability in the country.

It is embodied by the Framework for Concerted Action that brings together the political parties and the associations of civil society under the auspices of the Government.

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 4: The Convention on Governance is an agreement concluded between the registered political parties with a view to the establishment of institutions based on "consensus", the restoration of peace, security and trust, the emergence of a State based on the rule of law and the economic recovery of the country.

Page 5, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 6: The Convention defines the tasks entrusted to the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus. It governs the functioning of the institutions established on the basis of consensus and sets forth the guidelines for the smooth operation of the State. Pending its revision, the Constitution of the Republic shall continue to apply to the extent that it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Convention.

Page 5-6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- The country's return to peace and security;
- The disarmament of civilian population groups and the dismantling of militias;
- The establishment of a National Security Council that is well-balanced and effective;
- The reintegration of displaced persons and the repatriation and resettlement of refuge প্ৰেঞ্ছ তৈ নিয়া tions of optimum security;
- The organization of a substantive national debate on the country's major

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral

No specific mention.

commission

Political

No specific mention.

parties reform

Civil society Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 3:

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It is embodied by the Framework for Concerted Action that brings together the political parties and the associations of civil society under the auspices of the Government.

Page 7, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, Article 17: The National Security Council shall comprise:

- A representative of civil society;

Page 8, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, Article 18:

The President of the Republic and the Prime Minister shall be ex officio members of the National Security Council.

The other members shall be appointed by the President of the Republic on the recommendation of the political parties, after consultations with representatives of civil society. Their term of office shall be the same as the period covered by the present Convention.

Page 8, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER III. THE PRIME MINISTER, Article 25: The Prime Minister shall be appointed by the President of the Republic on the express recommendation of one or more interested political groupings and his appointment shall be the subject of consultations with and the common agreement of the other political grouping and civil society.

Page 12, TITLE IV. MECHANISMS TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, CHAPTER I. MONITORING COMMITTEE, Article 45: The Monitoring Committee shall ensure regular follow-up of the implementation of this Convention. In its work, the Monitoring Committee may be expanded to include, when necessary, representatives of civil society.

Page 13, TITLE V. FINAL PROVISIONS, Article 52:

The aforementioned debate shall be held within six months. The international community shall be invited to make material and technical contributions. The registered political parties, civil society and the constituent parts of the nation shall take part in the preparations for the debate and in the debate itself.

religious leaders

Traditional/ No specific mention.

Public

Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND administration SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 37: At all levels of public administration, recruitment and promotion to higher administrative and technical posts shall be consistent with the statutes and objective criteria of competence, in a transparent fashion.

> Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 38: In order to respect, encourage and promote the careers of civil servants, clear legislation that distinguishes between political and administrative and technical posts shall be drawn up during the first months of the period covered by this Convention.

> Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 40: Any person involved, whether directly or indirectly, in the tragic events that have occurred since independence, in particular the coup d'état and the assassination of the President of the Republic on 21 October 1993, and in what the political partners have agreed to call genocide, without prejudice to

the outcome of the independent national and international investigations, in the destruction of property, in the formation of militias or in the distribution and

illegal use of arms, shall in every case be removed from office and shall not be recruited into provincial or community administrations.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making Page 3, Untitled Preamble:

Considering further that constitutional legality should be respected to the fullest extent possible;

Page 4-5, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 5: With a view to the re-establishment of institutions, this Convention amends certain clauses of the current Constitution that have become inapplicable because of the crisis, pending a national debate to produce a constitution based on democratic principles which guarantee the full development of all members of society.

Page 5, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 6: The Convention defines the tasks entrusted to the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus. It governs the functioning of the institutions established on the basis of consensus and sets forth the guidelines for the smooth operation of the State. Pending its revision, the Constitution of the Republic shall continue to apply to the extent that it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Convention.

Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- The organization of a substantive national debate on the country's major problems, with a view to the adoption of a National Covenant for Peaceful Coexistence between the constituent parts of the nation and an appropriate constitution;
- Constitutional reforms;

Page 6-7, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE **REPUBLIC, Article 15:**

All legislative, regulatory and administrative acts of the President of the Republic shall be countersigned by the Prime Minister, with the exception of acts signed pursuant to article 72, paragraph 1, of the Constitution, and the appointment of members of the Cabinet of the President of the Republic.

Page 7, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL. Article 16:

The National Security Council shall review acts of an important political nature proposed by the President of the Republic, in particular:

- Revision of the Constitution.

Page 8, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER III. THE PRIME MINISTER, Article 25: The Prime Minister shall be appointed by the President of the Republic on the express recommendation of one or more interested political groupings and his appointment shall beethe subject of consultations with and the common agreement of the other political grouping and civil society.

Power sharing

Political

Power sharing→Political power sharing→Executive coalition

power

State level sharing

Page 9, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER IV. THE GOVERNMENT, Article 26: In order to create a climate of trust among the political partners, a coalition Government shall be established to carry out the tasks entrusted to the President of the Republic and to the Government and which are specified in

article 9.

Page 9, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER IV. THE GOVERNMENT, Article 27: With the exception of the Minister of Defence and the Minister of Justice, the members of the Government shall be drawn from all the political formations which have signed this Convention, with 55 per cent coming from the Forces de Changement démocratique and 45 per cent from the opposition political parties.

Territorial

power sharing No specific mention.

Economic

power

No specific mention.

sharing

Military

power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general

Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

Resolved to build a future of peace, to rethink and revitalize the democratic process in a State based on the rule of law in the interest of all its citizens irrespective of ethnic, social or political affiliation;

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 1:

This Agreement embodying a convention on governance, hereinafter called "the Convention", is aimed at restoring and promoting the values of peace, social justice, patriotism and national unity.

It urges the political partners to attach the highest importance to:

- Strict respect for the rights of the human person and individual freedoms, in particular, absolute respect for life.

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 2:

The Convention also seeks to build a State based on the rule of law through:

- The collegial and democratic definition and exercise of power;
- The promotion of the independence of the judiciary and the neutrality of the police force;
- Respect for the common good and the establishment of mechanisms for overseeing the management of the State;
- The education of the population, especially young people, in the values of peace and tolerance.

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 4: The Convention on Governance is an agreement concluded between the registered political parties with a view to the establishment of institutions based on "consensus", the restoration of peace, security and trust, the emergence of a State based on the rule of law and the economic recovery of the country.

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- Guaranteeing and promoting fundamental freedoms of the human person, including the freedoms of expression and association and free enterprise;

Page 6, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, Article 10:

The President of the Republic must be a person who inspires confidence and is capable of bringing together the people of Burundi in all its ethnic, social and political diversity. The primary task of the President as Head of State is to guarantee for each citizen the right to life and enjoyment of his freedoms with a view to his integral development.

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period coverest by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

Bill of

No specific mention.

rights/ similar

Treaty

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Life

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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality
Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER V. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY,
Article 35:

The judiciary shall have a statute and be organized in such a way that it:

- Has sufficient human and financial resources;
- Is able to guarantee equal security for all.

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of association Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

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- Guaranteeing and promoting fundamental freedoms of the human person, including the freedoms of expression and association and free enterprise;

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Thought, opinion, conscience and religion

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

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- Guaranteeing and promoting fundamental freedoms of the human person, including the freedoms of expression and association and free enterprise;

Socioeconomic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

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The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- Education of the inhabitants, especially young people, for peace, respect for life, tolerance and other democratic values;

Detention procedures

No specific mention.

Media and

Rights related issues→Media and communication→Governance of media communication Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article

> During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

19. Ministry of Communication

21. Ministry of Transport, Postal Services and Telecommunications

Mobility/ access

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the

following portfolios:

21. Ministry of Transport, Postal Services and Telecommunications

Protection

Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other

measures Page 12,

TITLE V. FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 50. The institutions established on the basis of consensus derive their legitimacy from this Convention. The signatories to this Convention pledge to

ensure, jointly and severally, its protection and implementation.

Other

No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or

No specific mention.

international human rights institutions

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Reform to specific

laws

emergency law

Page 7, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, Article 16: The National Security Council shall review acts of an important political

nature proposed by the President of the Republic, in particular:

- Before the declaration of a state of emergency where the institutions of the Republic or the fulfillment of its international commitments are under serious and immediate threat and where the normal functioning of its institutions is disrupted;

State of emergency provisions

Page 4, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 4. The Convention on Governance is an agreement concluded between the registered political parties with a view to the establishment of institutions based on "consensus", the restoration of peace, security and trust, the emergence of a State based on the rule of law and the economic recovery of the country.

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... - Before the declaration of a state of emergency where the institutions of the Republic or the fulfilment of its international commitments are under serious and immediate threat and where the normal functioning of its institutions is disrupted;

Judiciary and courts

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 2:

The Convention also seeks to build a State based on the rule of law through:

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- The promotion of the independence of the judiciary and the neutrality of the police force;

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

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- Guaranteeing the independence of the judiciary and promoting the proper administration of justice;

Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER V. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, Article 34:

The judiciary shall dispense justice with complete independence. The other branches of government shall not interfere with the judiciary in order not to disrupt the normal course of justice. Judges at all levels are bound to dispense justice with complete fairness. The Supreme Council of the Judiciary shall ensure strict respect for the proper administration of justice, which shall guarantee the safety of all members of national society.

Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER V. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, Article 35:

The judiciary shall have a statute and be organized in such a way that it:

- Has sufficient human and financial resources;
- Is able to guarantee equal security for all.

Prisons and detention

Prisons and No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic

or socio-

reconstruction→Socio-economic development

economic reconstruction ...

Page 2-3, Untitled Preamble:

Firmly determined to resolve the current crisis in such a way as to promote a lasting peace that can give new hope to the people of Burundi and guarantee security and prosperity for present and future generations;

Considering the disturbing state of the national economy and the urgent need for economic recovery;

Taking into account the responsibilities incumbent on them for promoting a new dynamic process of national reconstruction;

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 4: The Convention on Governance is an agreement concluded between the registered political parties with a view to the establishment of institutions based on "consensus", the restoration of peace, security and trust, the emergence of a State based on the rule of law and the economic recovery of the country.

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- Support for production activities in all sectors of the national economy;

- Reorganization of public financial management and protection of the nation's assets;
- Pursuit of national and international investigations relating to events since October 1993;
- Guaranteeing the independence of the judiciary and promoting the proper administration of justice;
- Guaranteeing and promoting fundamental freedoms of the human person, including the freedoms of expression and association and free enterprise;

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

- 5. Ministry of Planning, Development and Reconstruction
- 6. Ministry of Community Development

20. Ministry of Public Works and Infrastructure

Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes: National economic

plan

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC

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The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the

implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

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- Support for production activities in all sectors of the national economy;
- Reconstruction of infrastructures and revival of the national economy;
- Reorganization of public financial management and protection of the nation's assets;

Natural resources

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

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8. Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment

•••

22. Ministry of Energy and Mines

funds

 $International \ \ \, Page 13, TITLE \, V. \, FINAL \, PROVISIONS, Article \, 52:$

The aforementioned debate shall be held within six months. The international community shall be invited to make material and technical contributions. The registered political parties, civil society and the constituent parts of the nation shall take part in the preparations for the

debate and in the debate itself.

Business

Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32: During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the following portfolios:

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- 9. Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry
- 10. Ministry of Finance
- 11. Ministry of Trade, Industry and Tourism
- 12. Ministry of Labour, Craft Industry and Vocational Training

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22. Ministry of Energy and Mines

Taxation

No specific mention.

Banks

No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

No specific mention. Land reform/

Pastoralist/ nomadism rights

No specific mention.

Cultural

rights

No specific mention.

heritage

Environment Page 9-10, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, Chapter IV: The Government, Article 32:

During the period covered by this Convention, the Government shall have the

following portfolios:

8. Ministry of Physical Planning and Environment

Water or riparian

No specific mention.

rights or access

Security sector

Security Guarantees

Page 2-3, Untitled Preamble:

....

Firmly committed to work for the speedy restoration of peace, security, trust and social and political stability in the country;

...

Firmly determined to resolve the current crisis in such a way as to promote a lasting peace that can give new hope to the people of Burundi and guarantee security and prosperity for present and future generations;

Convinced that the current social and political system must be reconsidered and adapted to national realities, with a view to ensuring peace, security and continuity of the nation of Burundi;

...

Considering that the Kigobe and Kajaga Agreements and the Rohero (Novotel) Protocols of Agreement were negotiated between political partners who had freely agreed to restore peace, security and trust in the country;

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Taking into account the overwhelming need to respect and implement the provisions of the Kigobe and Kajaga Agreements, the Rohero (Novotel) Protocols of Agreement, the Declaration of the Government and the political parties against the warmongers and in favour of peace and security and the Protocol of Agreement on the distribution of responsibilities within the territorial administration, documentation and migration services and the external services, after negotiation under the auspices of the Government of Burundi, acting also as political partners;

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 3:

Political consensus is a determining factor for the re-establishment of peace, security, trust and stability in the country.

It is embodied by the Framework for Concerted Action that brings together the political parties and the associations of civil society under the auspices of the Government.

Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER II. DEFINITION, Article 4: The Convention on Governance is an agreement concluded between the registered political parties with a view to the establishment of institutions based on "consensus", the restoration of peace, security and trust, the emergence of a State based on the rule of law and the economic recovery of the country.

Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

The parties signatory to this Convention entrust the President of the Republic and the Government chosen on the basis of consensus with the implementation of tasks designed to achieve the following broad purposes:

- The country's return to peace and security;
- The disarmament of civilian population groups and the dismantling of militias;
- The establishment of a National Security Council that is well-balanced and effective;
- The reintegration of displaced persons and the repatriation and resettlement of refugees in conditions of optimum security;
- The organization of a বিশ্বস্থার প্রকর্মিশ national debate on the country's major problems, with a view to the adoption of a National Covenant for Peaceful

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police Page 4, TITLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS, CHAPTER I. BASIC PRINCIPLES

CONSTITUTING A POLITICAL ETHIC, Article 2:

The Convention also seeks to build a State based on the rule of law through:

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- The promotion of the independence of the judiciary and the neutrality of the police force;

Armed forces

Page 7, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, Article 16: The National Security Council shall review acts of an important political nature proposed by the President of the Republic, in particular:

...

- The appointment of senior military and civilian officials;

Page 12, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 41: In the performance of their duties the security services and forces shall respect the principle of strict political neutrality. Participants in the political process shall refrain strictly from soliciting them for political activities.

Page 12, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 42: The security forces shall have at their disposal all necessary means to enable them to perform their mission of defence in an appropriate and timely manner and carry out the important task of disarming the civilian population and disbanding the militias and discouraging any form of violence or criminal behaviour.

Page 12, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 43: Pending an audit, which shall take place within three months after this Convention is signed, the security services shall retain their current organizational structure. However, a body shall be established at the government level to coordinate the various security services.

DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions
Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC
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Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces Page 5, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

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Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

Corruption No specific mention.

Crime/ organised No specific mention.

crime

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

justice ...

general Noting that the prevailing social and political situation in Burundi has

profoundly undermined trust between the various groups which make up the people of Burundi, on the one hand, and between the people of Burundi and the institutions, organs and mechanisms for defining and exercising State

power, on the other hand;

Noting that the roots of the crisis lie in Burundi's distant and recent past;

Amnesty/ pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism

Page 6, TITLE II. TASKS ENTRUSTED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND TO THE GOVERNMENT, Article 9:

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- Pursuit of national and international investigations relating to events since October 1993;

Page 6, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC. Article 11:

The President of the Republic must not have been involved, whether directly or indirectly, in any of the tragic events that have occurred since independence, in particular the coup d'état and the assassination of the President of the Republic on 21 October 1993, in what the political partners have agreed to call genocide, without prejudice to the findings of the independent national and international investigations, in the destruction of property, in the formation of militias or in the distribution and illegal use of arms. He must be chosen on the basis of consensus between the partners to this Convention.

Page 8, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER III. THE PRIME MINISTER, Article 24:

The Prime Minister must be a person who inspires confidence and unity, and must be from a different political grouping from that of the President of the Republic. He must not have been involved, whether directly or indirectly, in any of the tragic events that have occurred since independence, in particular the coup d'état and the assassination of the President of the Republic on 21 October 1993, in what the political partners have agreed to call genocide, without prejudice to the findings of the independent national and international investigations, in the destruction of property, in the formation of militias or in the distribution and illegal use of arms.

Page 9, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER IV. THE GOVERNMENT, Article 29: No one may enter or remain in the Government if such person has been directly or indirectly involved in the tragic events that have occurred since independence, in particular the coup d'état and the assassination of the President of the Republic on 21 October 1993, in what the political partners have agreed to call genocide, without prejudice to the findings of the independent national and international investigations, in the destruction of property, in the formation of militias or in the distribution and illegal use of arms.

Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER V. THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, Article 36:

It is requested that an international judicial fact-finding mission be formed within 30 days; it shall be composed of competent and impartial persons to investigate the coup d'état of 21 October 1993 and what the political partners have agreed to call genocide without prejudice to the outcome of the independent national and international investigations, as well as the various political crimes that have been committed since October 1993.

Page 11, TITLE III. INSTPৰঙ্গাই CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 40:

Prisoner release

No specific mention.

Vetting

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Page 11, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER VII. ADMINISTRATION AND SECURITY SERVICES OF DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR MISSIONS, Article 40: Any person involved, whether directly or indirectly, in the tragic events that have occurred since independence, in particular the coup d'état and the assassination of the President of the Republic on 21 October 1993, and in what the political partners have agreed to call genocide, without prejudice to the outcome of the independent national and international investigations, in the destruction of property, in the formation of militias or in the distribution and illegal use of arms, shall in every case be removed from office and shall not be recruited into provincial or community administrations.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing

No specific mention.

persons

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation Page 2, Untitled Preamble:

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Convinced also that to this end, the consensus built through a sincere and fair reconciliation of the interests of the different political partners and the constituent parts of the nation is a determining factor for success in this undertaking;

Implementation

UN Page 14, International Observers: Ahmedou Ould Abdallah, Special

signatory Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and Leandre

Bassole

Other Page 14, International Observers: Special Representative of the Secretary-

international General of the Organization for African Unity.

signatory

Referendum No specific mention.

for

agreement

 $International \quad \hbox{Page 6, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER I. THE PRESIDENT OF THE}$

mission/ REPUBLIC, Article 12:

force/similar During the period covered by the Convention, the President of the Republic

may not call on foreign troops without the approval of the National Security

Council.

Page 7, TITLE III. INSTITUTIONS, CHAPTER II. THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL, Article 16:

The National Security Council shall review acts of an important political nature proposed by the President of the Republic, in particular:

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- In case of recourse to foreign mediation and/or military intervention;

mechanism

Enforcement Page 12, TITLE IV. MECHANISMS TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, CHAPTER I. MONITORING COMMITTEE, Article 44: In accordance with the agreement signed on 1 June 1994, a monitoring committee shall be established and shall be composed of representatives from the political parties that are signatories to this Convention.

> Page 12, TITLE IV. MECHANISMS TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, CHAPTER I. MONITORING COMMITTEE, Article 45: The Monitoring Committee shall ensure regular follow-up of the implementation of this Convention. In its work, the Monitoring Committee may be expanded to include, when necessary, representatives of civil society.

> Page 12, TITLE IV. MECHANISMS TO MONITOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION, CHAPTER II. CONCILIATION FRAMEWORK, Article 48: The Conciliation Framework shall be competent to serve as mediator between the signatories to this Convention in the event of a dispute concerning its interpretation or implementation.

Related cases

No specific mention.

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