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| Country/ entity | Niger Air and Azawad |
| Region | Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA) |
| Agreement name | Protocole d'accord additionnel entre le Gouvernement de la Republique du Niger et l'Union des Forces de la Resistance Armee (FPLS, MUR, FAR) et les Forces Armees Revolutionnaires du Sahara |
| Date | 23 Nov 1997 |
| Agreement status | Multiparty signed/agreed |
| Interim arrangement | Yes |
| Agreement/ conflict level | Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Tuareg Wars (1962 -)) |
| Stage | Framework/substantive - partial |
| Conflict nature | Government/territory |
| Peace process | Niger peace process |
| Parties | HAVE SIGNED For the Government of the Republic of Niger ISSOFOU OUBANDAWAKI For the Union of Forces of the Armed Resistance (FPLS, MUR, FAR) MOHAMED ANACKO For the Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Sahara (FARS) BARKA WARDOUGOU |
| Third parties | HAVE SIGNED For the Government of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria MADJID BOUGUERRA |
| Description | The agreement establishes a ceasefire, release of prisoners, and de-mining, and future uniting of forces, and disarmament of ex-combatants. |

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Groups

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| 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. |

Gender

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| Women, girls and gender | No specific mention. |
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Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) Page 1, Untitled preamble:
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[...]
- Wishing to preserve national unity and the territorial integrity of the Republic
[...]

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.

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 Governance→Constitution→Constitution affirmation/renewal

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[...]

- Reaffirming their adherence to the constitution of May 12, 1996, and respect for the institutions of the Republic;

[...]

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces
Page 2, Article 7:
[...]
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Page 2, SPECIFIC PROVISIONS, Article 8:
The Saharan Security Units shall be operational after their formation. For the specific case of zones at risk they shall be operational at the same time. Ex-members of the Resistance shall be fully involved in managing the process of decentralisation.
The President of the Republic shall select members of the Fronts and Movements for integration in and nomination for State jobs.
A general amnesty shall be proclaimed for persons involved in acts of war before the date of signature of the present agreement. Calming measures shall be taken to assist the populations affected by the conflict and in order to remember all the victims.

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.

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.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

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| Regional or international human rights institutions | No specific mention. |
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Justice sector reform

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| Criminal justice and emergency law | No specific mention. |
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| State of emergency provisions | No specific mention. |
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| Judiciary and courts | No specific mention. |
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| Prisons and detention | No specific mention. |
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| Traditional Laws | No specific mention. |
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Socio-economic reconstruction

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| Development or socio-economic reconstruction | No specific mention. |
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| National economic plan | No specific mention. |
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| Natural resources | No specific mention. |
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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 Page 2, RECOMMENDATION:
The meeting shall recommend to the Government and to the FDR to do all in their power to bring about a successful resolution of the situation prevailing in the east of the country, in order to re-establish peace and security as soon as possible.

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| Ceasefire | <p>Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision</p> <p>[Summary: This agreement provides for a definitive ceasefire starting on 27 November 1997 at 00.00 hours.]</p> <p>Page 1, Article 1: A definitive ceasefire shall enter into force on November 27, 1997, at 00.00 hours, Naimey time.</p> <p>The Government, UFRA and FARS shall take all necessary steps to avoid any actions likely to cause confrontations in the zones affected by the conflict.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 3: Following entry into force of the ceasefire, the two parties shall, each on its own behalf, carry out mine clearance. At the end of this process, which should last no longer than two weeks, the parties shall form a joint team tasked with verifying the mine clearance operation.</p> |
| Police | <p>No specific mention.</p> |
| Armed forces | <p>Page 1, Article 5: Integration in the Saharan security units and military and paramilitary units shall take place on January 25, 1988. [...]</p> <p>Page 2, SPECIFIC PROVISIONS, Article 8: The Saharan Security Units shall be operational after their formation. For the specific case of zones at risk they shall be operational at the same time. Ex-members of the Resistance shall be fully involved in managing the process of decentralisation. [...]</p> |

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| DDR | <p>Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes</p> <p>Page 1, Article 4: Billeting of ex-combatants shall begin on January 1, 1998 and end on January 31, 1998. A mixed commission shall carry out identification operations from January 10, 1998.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 5: Integration in the Saharan security units and military and paramilitary units shall take place on January 25, 1988. Action shall be taken regarding State and mixed economy organisations to facilitate the integration of demobilised ex-combatants. Integration in the areas of education and of health shall be based on the applications presented at the appropriate time.</p> <p>Page 1, Article 6: An appropriate framework will be created to secure finance for the programme for socio-economic reinsertion of ex-combatants.</p> <p>Page 2, Article 7: The disarmament of ex-combatants shall take place on January 30, 1998.</p> <p>10 The issue of post-conflict management in Niger: analysis of the policy of reinsertion of Tuareg ex-combatants Aofit 2009</p> <p>Page 2, SPECIFIC PROVISIONS, Article 8: The Saharan Security Units shall be operational after their formation. For the specific case of zones at risk they shall be operational at the same time. Ex-members of the Resistance shall be fully involved in managing the process of decentralisation. The President of the Republic shall select members of the Fronts and Movements for integration in and nomination for State jobs. [...]</p> |
| Intelligence services | No specific mention. |

Parastatal/
rebel and
opposition
group
forces

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Page 2, FINAL PROVISIONS, Article 9:

UFRA (FPLS, MUR, FAR) and FARS, together with the Nigerien Government, shall request Algeria to use its good offices to restore peace in Niger.

In this regard, Algeria, in close collaboration with the two parties, shall monitor implementation of the provisions of the present agreement protocol.

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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
general No specific mention.

Amnesty/
pardon Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper
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before the date of signature of the present agreement. Calming measures
shall be taken to assist the populations affected by the conflict and in order to
remember all the victims.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner
release Page 1, Article 2:
Entry into force of the ceasefire shall be followed by the release of all persons
detained on both sides for acts of war, according to procedures agreed by the
two parties.

Vetting No specific mention.

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| Victims | <p>Page 2, SPECIFIC PROVISIONS, Article 8: [...] A general amnesty shall be proclaimed for persons involved in acts of war before the date of signature of the present agreement. Calming measures shall be taken to assist the populations affected by the conflict and in order to remember all the victims.</p> |
| Missing persons | No specific mention. |
| Reparations | No specific mention. |
| Reconciliation | <p>Page 1, Untitled preamble: In implementing the Peace Agreement of April 24, 1995, the Government of the Republic of Niger, the Union of Forces of the Armed Resistance (l'Union des Forces de la Résistance Armées (UFRA/FPFS, MUR, FAR) and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of the Sahara (les Forces Armées Révolutionnaires du Sahara, FARS), [...] - Wishing to preserve national unity and the territorial integrity of the Republic [...]</p> |

Implementation

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| UN signatory | No specific mention. |
| Other international signatory | <p>Page 1, Untitled preamble: [...] Have agreed, under the auspices of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria, the following: [...]</p> <p>Page 2, [Signed] [...] For the Government of the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria MADJID BOUGUERRA</p> |
| Referendum for agreement | No specific mention. |

International mission/
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source Mémoire Online, Annexe 2, https://web.archive.org/save/https://www.memoireonline.com/01/14/8428/m_La-problematique-de-la-gestion-post-conflit-au-Niger-Analyse-de-la-politique-de-reinsertion-des-e39.html
