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Country/ entity	Comoros Anjouan
Region	Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	The Joint Declaration of Fomboni
Date	26 Aug 2000
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Anjouan Crisis (1997 - 2008))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Comoros-Anjouan islands peace process
Parties	For the Governmental Party Colonel AZALI Assoumani For the Anjouanaise Party Lt-Colonel ABEID Said
Third parties	-
Description	This short agreement states the commitment to establish “Nouvel Ensemble Comorien” (New Comorian Union). It also provides for the decentralisation of these different matters: Religion, Nationality, Currency, Foreign relations, External defence. It also defines the table for implementing and negotiating further the decentralisation process.

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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	Groups→Religious groups→Substantive Page 1: Have agreed about the establishment of a “Nouvel Ensemble Comorien” (New Comorian Union), sole subject of international right, within its frontiers acknowledged by the international community, respecting the legitimate aspirations of the people of the Islands to their development by strengthening and prioritising decentralised cooperation; and whose fields of competence are enumerated below: - Religion,...
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/ displaced persons	No specific mention.
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 Page 2:
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For the continuation of the process an annexed time-table is established fixing the coming stages leading up to the submission to a referendum of the "Acte Fondamental" (Fundamental Act) which will rule the Union.

State symbols Page 1:
...The exercise of these prerogatives must take into account the following considerations:
For: RELIGION: The Union must be rooted within Islam in the respect of the principles of tolerance, peace, social cohesion and solidarity characterizing it.

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 No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political
power
sharing

No specific mention.

Territorial
power
sharing

Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government

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- Religion,
- Nationality,
- Currency,
- Foreign relations,
- External defence.

The exercise of these prerogatives must take into account the following considerations:

For:

RELIGION:

The Union must be rooted within Islam in the respect of the principles of tolerance, peace, social cohesion and solidarity characterizing it.

NATIONALITY:

It is subjected to the Union.

It must be represented on all pieces of identity, particularly the passport where the island of delivery must be stated.

CURRENCY: The parties are of the opinion that a joint currency is a factor of development of exchange within the Union. They recommend the maintaining of the Comorian Franc in the “Franc Zone” as a factor promoting the accomplishment of the integration of the Union.

FOREIGN RELATIONS: In regards to foreign relations, the emphasis is put on the development of islands that remains the source, the target and the implementer of cooperation in all its dimensions.

EXTERNAL DEFENCE: It is subjected to the Union. In this matter, the latter [the Union] should fulfil, in addition to its missions of protecting the frontiers, missions of conceiving, defining, organizing and accomplishing policies of military cooperation with its external partners.

The Parties convene that this list is not exhaustive and that further shared competencies could be defined.

Therefore the Parties decide to initiate a Tripartite Committee, benefiting from the help of experts, charged with the definition of the mechanisms and modes of functioning of the New Comorian Union with the help of the International Community.

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 No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship	<p>Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizen delimitation Page 1: Have agreed about the establishment of a “Nouvel Ensemble Comorien” (New Comorian Union), sole subject of international right, within its frontiers acknowledged by the international community, respecting the legitimate aspirations of the people of the Islands to their development by strengthening and prioritising decentralised cooperation; and whose fields of competence are enumerated below: ... - Nationality, ... For: ... NATIONALITY: It is subjected to the Union. It must be represented on all pieces of identity, particularly the passport where the island of delivery must be stated.</p>
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

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

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 Socio-economic reconstruction→Banks→Central bank
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- Currency,
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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.

Security sector

Security
Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police No specific mention.

Armed
forces Page 1-2:
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- External Defence,

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DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence
services No specific mention.

Parastatal/
rebel and
opposition
group
forces

No specific mention.

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 No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 3:
The stages and the respective length of each one of them are as follows:
1. Establishment of a Monitoring Commission in charge of practical decisions and monitoring their implementation from the signing of the Declaration to the establishment of the Institutions of the New Comorian Union.

Related cases No specific mention.

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