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Country/ entity	Uganda
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Peace Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Uganda and the National Rescue Front II (Yumbe Peace Agreement)
Date	24 Dec 2002
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Ugandan Conflicts (1970 -))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Uganda peace process
Parties	<p>Rt. Hons ERIYA KATEGAYA, The First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Internal Affairs For and On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Uganda.</p> <p>Maj. Ge. ALI A. BAMUZE, Chairman Uganda National Rescue Front II High Command For and on behalf of the Uganda National Rescue Front II.</p>
Third parties	Signed in the presence of Maj. Gen. Yoweri Museveni (for Government) and LT. Col. Amis Akuaku (UNRF II)
Description	The Peace Agreement signed between the Government of the Republic of Uganda and the National Rescue Front II (UNRF II) (also known as the Yumbe Peace Agreement) is a formal ceasefire agreement committed to peace, stability and development in West Nile in particular and in Uganda at large. Key provisions include, dissolution of UNRF II and the demobilisation, reintegration and resettlement of ex-combatants.

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Groups

Children/ youth	Groups→Children/youth→Substantive Page 5, Article VI National Issue ... 8. The Government shall facilitate the One Hundred and Thirty-Five (135) Child Soldiers who are interested in going back to school.
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	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical Page 7, Article VIII Miscellaneous ... 3. Government undertakes to facilitate the return of all UNRF II ex-combatants currently living in Juba and Khartoum, Sudan as soon as possible.
Social class	No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	Gender→Men and boys→Gender neutral wording Page 5, Article IV Integration of Selected UNRF II Officers and Men into the UPDF, 1. Immediately after the signing of this Agreement, UNRF II ex-combatants who opt and qualify to join the UPDF shall be integrated into the UPDF 2. It is agreed that the ex-combatants referred to in Article IV (1) above shall be issued with their Amnesty certificates after the signing of this Agreement and thereafter their initial resettlement packages shall be made available as soon as practicable. 3. The UNRF II officers who wish and qualify to join UPDF shall be allowed to retain their current ranks subject to passing appropriate examinations set and conducted by the UPDF.
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 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 No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces
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Power sharing→Military power sharing→Joint command structures
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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.

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 Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 1, Preamble,

WE, the Parties to this Agreement:

... CONSCIOUS that this instability has impaired development in West Nile and in Uganda at large;

Page 4, Article V, Development in West Nile

1. UNRF II recognizes and appreciates on-going Government programmes in West Nile and calls upon Government to expediate their completion.

2. The Government recognizes the development programmes identified by the UNRF II as priority areas as reflected in the proceedings of the peace talks and agrees to embark on their implementation as soon as practicable.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds Article VIII, Miscellaneous

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2. The Parties further recognize and appreciate the invaluable role played by the Government's development partners.

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 Yumbe Peace Agreement deals with the cessation of hostilities in its entirety.

Page 2, Article I Cessation of Hostilities,

ARTICLE I

CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

With effect from the signing of this agreement this 24th day of December 2002, all forms of hostilities between the Parties to this Agreement totally, permanently, and unequivocally cease.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	<p>Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes</p> <p>Page 2, Article II Disarmament</p> <p>1. Immediately after the signing of this agreement the UNRF II shall hand over all arms and ammunitions in its possession together with their inventory to the Uganda Peoples' Defense Force (UPDF).</p> <p>Page 3, Art III, Dissolution of UNRF II and the Demobilisation, Reintegration and Resettlement of Ex-Combatants</p> <p>2. Demobilisation and reintegration of the ex-combatants who are to resettle in civilian life shall be done concurrently within thirty (30) days after the signing of this Agreement. During that period the ex-combatants shall stay at Bidi-Bidi Camas the Amnesty Commission processes their Amnesty Certificates and initial resettlement packages.</p> <p>3. Government shall provide a sum of UGX 4,200,000,00 (Uganda Shilling Four Billion and Two Hundred Million) for the resettlement of all UNRF II ex-combatants.</p> <p>4. The sum stated in Article III(3) above shall be made available within one year from the date of signing this Agreement. This period may however be extended if the circumstances relating to the mobilization of funds so warrant.</p> <p>Page 5,</p> <p>6. The UNRF II Chairman shall further nominate sixteen (16) members of the UNRF II not covered in Article III (5) above whom Government shall assist to find gainful employment.</p>
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	<p>Page 3, Art III, Dissolution of UNRF II and the Demobilisation, Reintegration and Resettlement of Ex-Combatants</p> <p>1. With effect from the signing of this Agreement, the UNRF II shall for all intents and purposes stand dissolved.</p> <p>See further DDR provisions.</p>

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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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 7, Article VII Implementation

1. All disbursements relating to this Agreement shall be made by Government and other interested parties.
2. On dissolution of the UNRF II, the former members of the Front shall form a Committee through which they shall liaise with Government on matters relating to the implementation of this Agreement.
3. The Government shall whenever appropriate grant clearance for the Committee to solicit for funds from third parties to cover its operation expenses.

Related cases No specific mention.

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