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<b>Country/ entity</b>	Philippines Mindanao
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	Resolution No. 3 A Resolution to Cease Hostilities at Datu Plang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao (Resolution to Cease Hostilities in 3 Municipalities of Maguindanao)
<b>Date</b>	24 Oct 1998
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/ conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Philippine Insurgencies (1968 - ) )
<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Philippines - Mindanao process
<b>Parties</b>	MGen. Santos B. Gabison Jr., AFP, GRP Sub-Committee on Cessation of Hostilities Chairman; Atty. Lanang S. Ali, MILF Sub-Committee on Cessation of Hostilities Chairman
<b>Third parties</b>	Witnesses: Hon. Zacaria A. Candao, Province of Maguindanao Governor; Fr. Eliseo R. Mercado Jr., OMI, Quick Response Team (QRT) Chairman
<b>Description</b>	Agreement on Resolution No. 3 for the immediate cessation of hostilities at Datu Piang, Sharrif Aguak, and Talayan Maguindanao, where both the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF shall reposition their forces to the "Status Ante Bellum". The Resolution also calls for the IFFC to conduct an investigation into the root causes of the conflicted area, and for both Parties to strictly adhere to Articles II and III of the Implementing Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities.

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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	No specific mention.
Social class	No specific mention.

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## Gender

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.

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## **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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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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.

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## **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.

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## **Rights institutions**

NHRI      No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions      No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **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.

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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.

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### **Security sector**

Security Guarantees Page 2, 6. To direct the chairman of the Independent Fact-Finding (IFFC) to convene the IFFC to conduct fact-finding inquiries on the root causes of the armed conflict between the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF in the areas of Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao and submit the report to the CCCH with utmost dispatch.



Ceasefire	<p>Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision</p> <p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble</p> <p>WHEREAS, The Agreement for General Cessation of Hostilities was signed by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on July 1997 in Cagayan de Oro City;</p> <p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble</p> <p>[...] NOW, THEREFORE, the GRP-MILF Sub-Committee on Cessation of Hostilities (SCC) based on the finding and recommendations of the Chairman of the Quick Response Team do hereby resolve the following:</p> <p>Page 1, 1. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF effect an immediate cessation of hostilities in the said areas following the letter and the spirit of Agreement on General Cessation of Hostilities signed last July 18, 1997.</p> <p>Page 1, 2. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF reposition their armed forces to the "Status Ante Bellum".</p> <p>Page 1, 3. The MILF-BIAF shall reposition their forces within the defense perimeter of Camp Omar and the GRP-AFP shall, likewise, reposition their forces along the National Highway.</p> <p>Page 1, 4. That both parties shall strictly adhere to the Implementing Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities, particularly Article II and III, signed on November 14, 1997 at Marawi City.</p> <p>Page 2, 5. To immediately stop the armed confrontation to deescalate the conflict in Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao.</p> <p>Page 2, 6. To direct the chairman of the Independent Fact-Finding (IFFC) to convene the IFFC to conduct fact-finding inquiries on the root causes of the armed conflict between the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF in the areas of Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao and submit the report to the CCCH with utmost dispatch.</p>
Police	No specific mention.

Armed forces	<p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble [...] NOW, THEREFORE, the GRP-MILF Sub-Committee on Cessation of Hostilities (SCC) based on the finding and recommendations of the Chairman of the Quick Response Team do hereby resolve the following:</p> <p>Page 1, 1. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF effect an immediate cessation of hostilities in the said areas following the letter and the spirit of Agreement on General Cessation of Hostilities signed last July 18, 1997.</p> <p>Page 1, 2. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF reposition their armed forces to the "Status Ante Bellum".</p> <p>Page 1, 3. The MILF-BIAF shall reposition their forces within the defense perimeter of Camp Omar and the GRP-AFP shall, likewise, reposition their forces along the National Highway.</p> <p>Page 1, 4. That both parties shall strictly adhere to the Implementing Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities, particularly Article II and III, signed on November 14, 1997 at Marawi City.</p> <p>Page 2, 5. To immediately stop the armed confrontation to deescalate the conflict in Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao.</p> <p>Page 2, 6. To direct the chairman of the Independent Fact-Finding (IFFC) to convene the IFFC to conduct fact-finding inquiries on the root causes of the armed conflict between the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF in the areas of Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao and submit the report to the CCCH with utmost dispatch.</p>
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	<p>Page 1, Untitled Preamble [...] NOW, THEREFORE, the GRP-MILF Sub-Committee on Cessation of Hostilities (SCC) based on the finding and recommendations of the Chairman of the Quick Response Team do hereby resolve the following:</p> <p>Page 1, 1. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF effect an immediate cessation of hostilities in the said areas following the letter and the spirit of Agreement on General Cessation of Hostilities signed last July 18, 1997.</p> <p>Page 1, 2. That the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF reposition their armed forces to the "Status Ante Bellum".</p> <p>Page 1, 3. The MILF-BIAF shall reposition their forces within the defense perimeter of Camp Omar and the GRP-AFP shall, likewise, reposition their forces along the National Highway.</p> <p>Page 1, 4. That both parties shall strictly adhere to the Implementing Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities, particularly Article II and III, signed on November 14, 1997 at Marawi City.</p> <p>Page 2, 5. To immediately stop the armed confrontation to deescalate the conflict in Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao.</p> <p>Page 2, 6. To direct the chairman of the Independent Fact-Finding (IFFC) to convene the IFFC to conduct fact-finding inquiries on the root causes of the armed conflict between the GRP-AFP and the MILF-BIAF in the areas of Datu Piang, Shariff Aguak, and Talayan, Maguindanao and submit the report to the CCCH with utmost dispatch.</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 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.

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## **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 No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source GRP-MILF Peace Process: Compilation of Signed Agreements & other related Documents (1997-2010); (MILF Peace Panel/Asia Foundation, 2010), pp. 47-48.

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