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Country/ entity	Philippines Mindanao
Region	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Agreement for Field Commanders of both Parties to Immediately and Strictly Observe the Ceasefire Agreement
Date	6 Oct 1999
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Philippines - Mindanao process
Parties	USec. Orlando V. Soriano, GRP Negotiating Panel Chairman; Ghazali Jaafar, MILF Political Affairs Vice Chairman;
Third parties	Witness: BGen. Jose P. Torrelavega, GRP CCCH Chairman; Atty. Zosimo Jesus M. Paredes II, GRP Negotiating Panel Legal Consultant; Mohagher Iqbal, MILF Negotiating Panel Member; Shiekh Abuhilil Yahya, MILF Majlis As-Shura Chairman
Description	Agreement that, in identifying the need of the GRP-MILF Peace Panel to give more substance and authority to the cessation of hostilities, provides the GRP-MILF Coordinating Committees on Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) the authorization to relay orders to military Field Commanders of both parties, and for the Field Commanders to strictly observe the orders relayed to them by the CCCH from the Peace Panels. The Agreement also provides that the CCCH will inform the Peace Panels of any violations by the forces, to which the Peace Panels will take immediate and necessary action to stop any violation, as well as punish accordingly the forces or Field Commanders who violate this Agreement.

Agreement
document

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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.

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	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.
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Elections	No specific mention.
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Electoral commission	No specific mention.
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Political parties reform	No specific mention.
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Civil society	No specific mention.
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Traditional/religious leaders	No specific mention.
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Public administration	No specific mention.
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Constitution	No specific mention.
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Power sharing

Political power sharing	No specific mention.
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Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

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 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 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.

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	<p>Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision Page 1, Preamble WHEREAS, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) signed the Implementing Administrative and Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF Agreement on the General Cessation of Hostilities (AGCH);</p> <p>Page 1, Preamble WHEREAS, there is a need for the GRP-MILF Peace Panel to give more authority and substance to the general cessation of hostilities by authorizing the GRP-MILF Coordinating Committee on Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) to relay orders to the military Field Commanders of both parties once the GRP-MILF Peace Panels have agreed to a cessation of hostilities.</p> <p>Page 1, Preamble WHEREAS, the military Field Commanders of both parties shall immediately and strictly observe the orders of the GRP-MILF Peace Panels relayed to them by the GRP-MILF CCCH.</p> <p>Page 1, NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree, as they hereby agree on the following: 1. The GRP-MILF CCCH is hereby authorized, as an extension of the authority of the GRP-MILF Peace Panels, to relay orders to military Field Commanders of both parties once they have agreed to a cessation of hostilities.</p> <p>Page 1, 2. The military Field Commanders of both parties shall immediately and strictly observe the orders of the GRP-MILF Peace Panels relayed to them by the GRP-MILF CCCH.</p> <p>Page 1, 3. The GRP-MILF CCCH shall inform the GRP-MILF Peace Panels of any GRP-MILF forces or field commanders violating this agreement. It shall be the responsibility of the GRP-MILF Peace Panels to take immediate and necessary action to stop any violation and punish respective forces or military Field Commanders who violate this agreement.</p> <p>Page 1, [...] This agreement is an addendum to the powers and functions of the GRP-MILF CCCH stipulated in the Implementing Administrative and Operational Guidelines of the GRP-MILF AGCH.</p>
Police	No specific mention.

Armed
forces

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DDR

No specific mention.

Intelligence
services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/
rebel and
opposition
group
forces

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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 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 1, 3. The GRP-MILF CCCH shall inform the GRP-MILF Peace Panels of any GRP-MILF forces or field commanders violating this agreement. It shall be the responsibility of the GRP-MILF Peace Panels to take immediate and necessary action to stop any violation and punish respective forces or military Field Commanders who violate this agreement.

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. 68-69.
