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Country/ entity	Philippines Mindanao
Region	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Agreement on the Civilian Protection Component of the International Monitoring Team (IMT)
Date	27 Oct 2009
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -))
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Philippines - Mindanao process
Parties	Rafael E. Seguis, Panel Chairman for the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) Mohagher Iqbal, Panel Chairman for the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF)
Third parties	Datuk Othman Bin Abdul Razak, Representative of Malaysia [Facilitator]
Description	Agreement on the civilian protection components forms a part of the Terms of Reference for the International Monitoring Team, and provides a commitment from the Parties to uphold international humanitarian law and human rights law standards in regards to non-combatants.

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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.

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 Page 2, Article 2. Civilian Protection Component
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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 No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	<p>Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings</p> <p>The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. [...]</p>
Bill of rights/similar	<p>No specific mention.</p>
Treaty incorporation	<p>No specific mention.</p>
Civil and political rights	<p>Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Life</p> <p>Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings</p> <p>The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. In this context, the Parties commit themselves to:</p> <p>[...] d) Take all precautions feasible to avoid incidental loss of civilian life, injury to civilians, and danger to civilian objects.</p> <p>Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality</p> <p>Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings</p> <p>The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. In this context, the Parties commit themselves to:</p> <p>[...] e) Ensure that all protective and relief actions shall be undertaken in a purely nondiscriminatory basis covering all affected communities.</p> <p>Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Liberty and security of person</p> <p>Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings</p> <p>The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. In this context, the Parties commit themselves to:</p> <p>a) Refrain from intentionally targeting or attacking non-combatants, prevent suffering of the civilian population and avoid acts that would cause collateral damage to civilians;</p> <p>d) Take all precautions feasible to avoid incidental loss of civilian life, injury to civilians, and danger to civilian objects.</p>

Socio-economic rights

Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Property

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The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. In this context, the Parties commit themselves to:

[...] b) Refrain from targeting or intentionally attacking civilian properties or facilities such as schools, hospitals, religious premises, health and food distribution centers, or relief operations, or objects or facilities indispensable to the survival of the civilian population and of civilian nature;

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	<p>Rights related issues→Protection measures→Protection of civilians</p> <p>Page 2, Article 2. Civilian Protection Component [...]. Should the IMT cease to operate, the civilian protection component shall remain in place and continue to perform such functions. The Parties shall designate humanitarian organizations and non-governmental organizations, both international and national, with proven track record for impartiality, neutrality and independence, to carry out the civilian protection functions.</p> <p>Page 2, Article 2. Civilian Protection Component The Parties hereby agree to expand the mandate of the IMT to include civilian protection. The IMT shall monitor, verify and report noncompliance by the Parties to their basic undertaking to protect civilians and civilian communities. Should the IMT cease to operate, the civilian protection component shall remain in place and continue to perform such functions. The Parties shall designate humanitarian organizations and non-governmental organizations, both international and national, with proven track record for impartiality, neutrality and independence, to carry out the civilian protection functions.</p> <p>Page 2, Article 3. Implementing Terms of Reference This Agreement on civilian protection component shall form part of the Terms of Reference of the IMT to be deliberated and agreed by the Parties upon the formal resumption of the GRP-MILF peace talks.</p>
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
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Regional or international human rights institutions	<p>Rights institutions→Regional or international human rights institutions→Monitoring calls</p> <p>Page 2, Article 2. Civilian Protection Component The Parties hereby agree to expand the mandate of the IMT to include civilian protection. The IMT shall monitor, verify and report noncompliance by the Parties to their basic undertaking to protect civilians and civilian communities. Should the IMT cease to operate, the civilian protection component shall remain in place and continue to perform such functions. The Parties shall designate humanitarian organizations and non-governmental organizations, both international and national, with proven track record for impartiality, neutrality and independence, to carry out the civilian protection functions.</p> <p>Page 2, Article 3. Implementing Terms of Reference This Agreement on civilian protection component shall form part of the Terms of Reference of the IMT to be deliberated and agreed by the Parties upon the formal resumption of the GRP-MILF peace talks.</p>
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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.

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

Security sector

Security Guarantees Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings
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Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings
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Armed forces Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings
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DDR No specific mention.

Intelligence services No specific mention.

Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	Page 1, Article 1. Basic Undertakings The Parties reconfirm their obligations under humanitarian law and human rights law to take constant care to protect civilian population and civilian properties against the dangers arising in armed conflict situation. [...] To effect the above objectives, the Parties shall issue or re-issue orders to their respective military units or security forces (including paramilitaries, associated militias, and police units) to conduct their operations consistent with their obligations and commitments described herein.
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 Datuk Othman Bin Abdul Razak, Facilitator and Representative of Malaysia

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Article 2. Civilian Protection Component
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Related cases No specific mention.

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