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Country/ entity	Uganda
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement on a Permanent Ceasefire
Date	23 Feb 2008
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	Hon. Ruhakana Rugunda (Dr) Minister of Internal Affairs and Head of GoU Delegation. Dr David Nyekorach Matsanga, Leader of the LRA/M Delegation.

Third parties

Witnessed by:

H.E. Lt. General Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon (PhD), Vice President, Government of Southern Sudan and Chief Mediator of the Peace Talks.

H.E. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, United Nations Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the LRA affected areas.

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Ms Anna Sundstrom, Political Advisor to the EU Special Representative for the Great Lakes Region, for the European Union.

H.E. Bryan E. Burton, for the Government of Canada

Mr Timothy R. Shortley, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, for the Government of the United States of America.

Description In this agreement the Government of the Republic of Uganda and the Lord's Resistance Army/Movement (LRA/M) agreed to a permanent ceasefire ending all hostilities and violent acts. The ceasefire agreement delineates responsibilities of the Government of Uganda, LRA/M and the Government of Sudan, and provides a clear monitoring mechanism. It also provides for measures to be taken in case of violations and lists acts that would constitute violation of the ceasefire.

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Groups

Children/ youth	Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical Page 3, Article 3. ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT ... 3.3. In the preparation of detailed agreements and arrangements for disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration, the implementation of measures necessary to adhere to gender and child specific UN IDDRS standards for encampment shall be given the highest priority. Page 6, Article 6 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTHERN SUDAN ... (b) in the implementation of this Agreement, international standards and mandates, in particular, relevant mandates in Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security (2000), and Security Council Resolution 1612 on Children and Armed Conflict (2005) are applied;
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	<p>Chapter 1 Definitions: "Gender" refers to the two sexes, men and women, within the context of society.</p> <p>Chapter 3 ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT</p> <p>3.3. In the preparation of detailed agreements and arrangements for disarmament , demobilisation and reintegration, the implementation of measures necessary to adhere to gender and child specific UN IDDRS standards for encampment shall be given the highest priority.</p> <p>Chapter 6 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTHERN SUDAN</p> <p>6.1 (b) in the implementation of this Agreement , international standards and mandates, in particular, relevant mandates in Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security (2000), and Security Council Resolution 1612 on Children and Armed Conflict (2005) are applied</p>
Men and boys	<p>Gender→Men and boys→Gender neutral wording</p> <p>Chapter 1 Definitions: "Gender" refers to the two sexes, men and women, within the context of society.</p> <p>Chapter 3 ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT</p> <p>3.3. In the preparation of detailed agreements and arrangements for disarmament , demobilisation and reintegration, the implementation of measures necessary to adhere to gender and child specific UN IDDRS standards for encampment shall be given the highest priority.</p>
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

Page 6, Article 6 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTHERN
SUDAN

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(b) in the implementation of this Agreement, international standards and
mandates, in particular, relevant mandates in Security Council Resolution
1325 on Women, Peace and Security (2000), and Security Council Resolution
1612 on Children and Armed Conflict (2005) are applied;

(c) adequate security, logistical and service support is provided to the LRA
encampment sites in the Assembly Area;

(d) food and other supplies to assembled and encamped LRA forces meet the
relevant international standards set by the Integrated Disarmament,
Demobilisation and Reintegration Standards (IDDRS) of the United Nations;
and,

(e) as far as possible, culturally appropriate food is supplied to the Assembly
Area.

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 6, Article 6 RESPONSIBILITY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTHERN SUDAN

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Page 6, Article 7. COMMUNICATION

7.1. The Parties shall ensure that the terms of this Ceasefire Agreement and all orders requiring compliance are communicated to all their forces.

7.2. The terms of this Agreement shall also be communicated to the civilian population via print, electronic and other media.

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.
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Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	No specific mention.
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Bill of rights/ similar	No specific mention.
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Treaty incorporation Page 3, Article 3. ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT

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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 Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other
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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 Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
The Agreement deals with ceasefire in its entirety.

Page 3, Article 2. Declaration AND COMMENCEMENT OF CEASEFIRE

2.1. The Parties hereby declare and shall observe a permanent ceasefire commencing 24 hours after the signature of the Final Peace Agreement.

2.2. Upon the coming into force of the ceasefire the Cessation of Hostilities Agreement shall lapse. This provision supersedes contrary provisions of the Cessation of Hostilities Agreement.

2.3 The LRA/M and the GoU shall ensure that their forces abide by the terms of the ceasefire.

Page 5, Article 5. CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS

5.1. The Parties shall refrain from violating the ceasefire.

5.2. The following shall constitute violations of the ceasefire:

(a) Any attacks, threats or acts of violence directed against the other Party and/or civilians and/or any other person or persons by either Party or both Parties.

(b) Harassment, attacks, abduction, hostage taking, and arrest of combatants as well as seizure of arms and equipment belonging to the other Party.

(c) Harassment, attacks, abduction, hostage taking or unlawful arrest of civilians and personnel of humanitarian agencies as well as seizure of properties of individuals and organisations.

(d) Obstruction of the activities of the CMT as described in Part 4, including defamatory, untruthful or derogatory statements.

(f) Violation of the right to life of LRA/M members by either Party or third parties associated with the Parties.

(g) Any presence, movement or other actions of LRA forces outside Ri-Kwang-Ba Assembly Area.

(h) Acquisition, recovery or replenishment of arms, ammunition or other military equipment.

(i) Recruitment of forces by the LRA/M.

(j) Any other act that might undermine the ceasefire.

Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes Page 3, Article 3. ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT 3.3. In the preparation of detailed agreements and arrangements for disarmament, demobilisation and reintegration, the implementation of measures necessary to adhere to gender and child specific UN IDDRS standards for encampment shall be given the highest priority.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	Page 3, Article 3. ASSEMBLY AND ENCAMPMENT 3.1. All forces of the LRA shall be encamped within Ri-Kwang-Ba Assembly Area. 3.2. The forces of the Parties shall respect the buffer zone around Ri-Kwang-Ba Assembly Area.
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 Page 1, Untitled Preamble,

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THE PARTIES engaged in negotiations in Juba, Southern Sudan, in order to find just, peaceful and lasting solutions to the conflict, and to promote accountability and reconciliation and restore harmony and tranquillity within the affected communities;

Implementation

UN
signatory

Witnessed by:

H.E. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, United Nations Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the LRA affected areas.

Other
international
signatory

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Referendum
for
agreement

No specific mention.

International
mission/
force/similar

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Enforcement mechanism Page 3-5, Article 4. CEASEFIRE MONITORING

4.1. Upon the coming into force of this Agreement there will be reinforcement of the Cessation of Hostilities Monitoring Team (CHMT) transforming it into the Ceasefire Monitoring Team (CMT) as outlined in Clause 4.3 of this Agreement.

4.2. The CMT shall report to the Chief Mediator.

4.3. The CMT shall be composed of:

(a) The Team Leader who shall be a senior officer in the SPLA.

(b) The Deputy Team Leader who shall be a senior officer in the SPLA.

(c) Five representatives of each of the Parties.

(d) Five members from each of the African Union observer countries to the peace talks.

(e) A five-person liaison team from the United Nations.

4.4. The Chief mediator may in consultation with the Parties restructure the composition of the CMT.

4.5. The CMT shall be considered constituted when at least the SPLA Team Leader or Deputy Team Leader, at least two (2) members of each of the Parties and two (2) members from each of the African Union observer countries are present.

4.6. The CMT shall receive training on international standards of ceasefire monitoring.

4.7. Upon the coming into force of this Agreement the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) of the CHMT shall become the Standard Operating Procedures of the CMT.

4.8. The SOP shall whenever necessary, be revised in order to bring it into conformity with this Agreement.

4.9. The CMT shall have free and unhindered access to the Assembly area in carrying out its duties.

4.10. The members of the CMT shall enjoy full protection of both Parties.

4.11. All personnel and equipment of organizations or persons duly authorized to enter or operate in the Assembly Area in support of the Ceasefire Agreement shall be afforded full protection and security.

4.12. The terms of reference for the CMT shall include but not necessarily be limited to:

(a) taking full responsibility for the management of the Assembly Area;

(b) monitoring the implementation of this Agreement;

Related cases No specific mention.

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