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Country/ entity	Syria
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	UN Security Council Resolution 2043
Date	21 Apr 2012
Agreement status	Unilateral document
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Interstate/intrastate conflict(s) (Syrian Conflicts (1948 -) (1976 - 2005) (2011 -))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Syrian peace process
Parties	United Nations Security Council
Third parties	-
Description	Agreement by UNSC to establish a UN Supervision Mission in Syria (UNSMIS), and set forth preliminary terms of its operation and mandate.

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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	Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Anti-discrimination Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General’s letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), 1. Reaffirms its full support for and calls for the urgent, comprehensive, and immediate implementation of all elements of the Envoy’s six-point proposal as annexed to resolution 2042 (2012) aimed at bringing an immediate end to all violence and human rights violations, securing humanitarian access and facilitating a Syrian-led political transition leading to a democratic, plural political system, in which citizens are equal regardless of their affiliations, ethnicities or beliefs, including through commencing a comprehensive political dialogue between the Syrian government and the whole spectrum of the Syrian opposition;
Religious groups	Groups→Religious groups→Anti-discrimination Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General’s letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), 1. Reaffirms its full support for and calls for the urgent, comprehensive, and immediate implementation of all elements of the Envoy’s six-point proposal as annexed to resolution 2042 (2012) aimed at bringing an immediate end to all violence and human rights violations, securing humanitarian access and facilitating a Syrian-led political transition leading to a democratic, plural political system, in which citizens are equal regardless of their affiliations, ethnicities or beliefs, including through commencing a comprehensive political dialogue between the Syrian government and the whole spectrum of the Syrian opposition;
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/displaced persons	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical Page 1, untitled preamble, 4. Expressing its appreciation of the significant efforts that have been made by the States bordering Syria to assist Syrians who have fled across Syria’s borders as a consequence of the violence, and requesting UNHCR to provide assistance as requested by member states receiving these displaced persons,
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) Page 1, untitled preamble, 3. Reaffirming its strong commitment to the sovereignty, independence, unity and territorial integrity of Syria, and to the purposes and principles of the Charter,

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 No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general Page 1, untitled preamble, 4. Condemning the widespread violations of human rights by the Syrian authorities, as well as any human rights abuses by armed groups, recalling that those responsible shall be held accountable, and expressing its profound regret at the death of many thousands of people in Syria,

... 6. Expressing also its appreciation of the humanitarian assistance that has been provided to Syria by other States,

Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),

... 11. Reiterates its call for the Syrian authorities to allow immediate, full and unimpeded access of humanitarian personnel to all populations in need of assistance, in accordance with international law and guiding principles of humanitarian assistance and calls upon all parties in Syria, in particular the Syrian authorities, to cooperate fully with the United Nations and relevant humanitarian organizations to facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance;

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 Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizen, general
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- Democracy Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General’s letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),
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- Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication	<p>Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media logistics</p> <p>Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General’s letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),</p> <p>... 8. Calls upon the Syrian government to ensure the effective operation of UNSMIS by: facilitating the expeditious and unhindered deployment of its personnel and capabilities as required to fulfil its mandate; ensuring its full, unimpeded, and immediate freedom of movement and access as necessary to fulfil its mandate, underlining in this regard the need for the Syrian government and the United Nations to agree rapidly on appropriate air transportation assets for UNSMIS; allowing its unobstructed communications; and allowing it to freely and privately communicate with individuals throughout Syria without retaliation against any person as a result of interaction with UNSMIS;</p>
Mobility/ access	<p>Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General’s letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),</p> <p>... 8. Calls upon the Syrian government to ensure the effective operation of UNSMIS by: facilitating the expeditious and unhindered deployment of its personnel and capabilities as required to fulfil its mandate; ensuring its full, unimpeded, and immediate freedom of movement and access as necessary to fulfil its mandate, underlining in this regard the need for the Syrian government and the United Nations to agree rapidly on appropriate air transportation assets for UNSMIS; allowing its unobstructed communications; and allowing it to freely and privately communicate with individuals throughout Syria without retaliation against any person as a result of interaction with UNSMIS;</p> <p>... 11. Reiterates its call for the Syrian authorities to allow immediate, full and unimpeded access of humanitarian personnel to all populations in need of assistance, in accordance with international law and guiding principles of humanitarian assistance and calls upon all parties in Syria, in particular the Syrian authorities, to cooperate fully with the United Nations and relevant humanitarian organizations to facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance;</p>
Protection measures	No specific mention.
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
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Regional or international human rights institutions	Rights institutions→Regional or international human rights institutions→Monitoring calls Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 7. Requests that the Secretary-General and the Syrian government without delay conclude a Status of Mission Agreement (SOMA), taking into consideration General Assembly resolution 58/82 on the scope of legal protection under the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel, and notes the agreement between the Syrian government and the United Nations that, pending the conclusion of such an agreement, the model SOFA agreement of 9 October 1990 (A/45/594) shall apply provisionally;
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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.
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National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	No specific mention.
International funds	Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 12. Invites all Member States to consider making appropriate contributions to UNSMIS as requested by the Secretary-General;
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→General commitments

Page 1, untitled preamble,

... 7. (a) cease troop movements towards population centres, (b) cease all use of heavy weapons in such centres, and (c) begin pullback of military concentrations in and around population centres, and to implement these in their entirety by no later than 10 April 2012, and noting also the Syrian opposition's expressed commitment to respect the cessation of violence, provided the government does so,

Page 2, untitled Preamble,

8. Expressing concern over ongoing violence and reports of casualties which have escalated again in recent days, following the Envoy's assessment of 12 April 2012 that the parties appeared to be observing a cessation of fire and that the Syrian government had started to implement its commitments, and noting that the cessation of armed violence in all its forms is therefore clearly incomplete,

9. Supporting the Envoy's call for an immediate and visible implementation by the Syrian government of all elements of the Envoy's six-point proposal in their entirety to achieve a sustained cessation of armed violence in all its forms by all parties,

10. Taking note of the assessment by the Secretary-General that a United Nations monitoring mission deployed quickly when the conditions are conducive with a clear mandate, the requisite capacities, and the appropriate conditions of operation would greatly contribute to observing and upholding the commitment of the parties to a cessation of armed violence in all its forms and to supporting the implementation of the six-point plan,

Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),

... 2. Calls upon the Syrian government to implement visibly its commitments in their entirety, as it agreed to do in the Preliminary Understanding and as stipulated in resolution 2042 (2012), to (a) cease troop movements towards population centres, (b) cease all use of heavy weapons in such centres, (c) complete pullback of military concentrations in and around population centres, as well as to withdraw its troops and heavy weapons from population centres to their barracks or temporary deployment places to facilitate a sustained cessation of violence;

Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),

... 3. Calls upon all parties in Syria, including the opposition, immediately to cease all armed violence in all its forms;

Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),

... 6. Decides also that the mandate of the Mission shall be to monitor a cessation of armed violence in all its forms by all parties and to monitor and support the full implementation of the Envoy's six-point proposal;

Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	<p>Page 1, untitled preamble, ... 7. (a) cease troop movements towards population centres, (b) cease all use of heavy weapons in such centres, and (c) begin pullback of military concentrations in and around population centres, and to implement these in their entirety by no later than 10 April 2012, and noting also the Syrian opposition's expressed commitment to respect the cessation of violence, provided the government does so,</p> <p>Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 2. Calls upon the Syrian government to implement visibly its commitments in their entirety, as it agreed to do in the Preliminary Understanding and as stipulated in resolution 2042 (2012), to (a) cease troop movements towards population centres, (b) cease all use of heavy weapons in such centres, (c) complete pullback of military concentrations in and around population centres, as well as to withdraw its troops and heavy weapons from population centres to their barracks or temporary deployment places to facilitate a sustained cessation of violence;</p> <p>Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 3. Calls upon all parties in Syria, including the opposition, immediately to cease all armed violence in all its forms;</p>
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	<p>Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 3. Calls upon all parties in Syria, including the opposition, immediately to cease all armed violence in all its forms;</p> <p>Page 2, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238), ... 4. Calls upon the Syrian armed opposition groups and relevant elements to respect relevant provisions of the Preliminary Understanding;</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.

Implementation

UN Agreement in the form of a UNSC Resolution.
signatory

Other No specific mention.
international
signatory

Referendum No specific mention.
for
agreement

International mission/ force/similar Page 2, untitled preamble, 11. Taking note of the assessment by the Secretary-General that a United Nations monitoring mission deployed quickly when the conditions are conducive with a clear mandate, the requisite capacities, and the appropriate conditions of operation would greatly contribute to observing and upholding the commitment of the parties to a cessation of armed violence in all its forms and to supporting the implementation of the six-point plan,

Page 2-3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),
... 5. Decides to establish for an initial period of 90 days a United Nations Supervision Mission in Syria (UNSMIS) under the command of a Chief Military Observer, comprising an initial deployment of up to 300 unarmed military observers as well as an appropriate civilian component as required by the Mission to fulfil its mandate, and decides further that the Mission shall be deployed expeditiously subject to assessment by the Secretary-General of relevant developments on the ground, including the consolidation of the cessation of violence;

Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),
... 6. Decides also that the mandate of the Mission shall be to monitor a cessation of armed violence in all its forms by all parties and to monitor and support the full implementation of the Envoy's six-point proposal;

Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),
... 10. Requests the Secretary-General to report immediately to the Security Council any obstructions to the effective operation of UNSMIS by any party;

Enforcement mechanism Page 3, 13. Having considered the Secretary-General's letter addressed to the President of Security Council(S/2012/238),
... 13. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Council on the implementation of this resolution within 15 days of its adoption and every 15 days thereafter, and also to submit, as necessary, to the Council proposals for possible adjustments to the UNSMIS mandate;

Related cases No specific mention.

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