#### Peace Agreement Access Tool PA-X https://pax.peaceagreements.org/

Country/entity Thailand

**Region** Asia and Pacific

**Agreement name** General Consensus on Peace Dialogue Process

**Date** 28 Feb 2013

Agreement status Unilateral document

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

South Thailand Insurgency (2001 - )

The roots of the conflict go back to the early twentieth century, when Thai leadership began policies of forced assimilation of the local Muslim/Malay population. For over 200 years, the region had been under the nominal control of the Kingdom of Siam, but the Kingdom had not interfered much locally, as demonstrated by various regional legal exemptions for Civil Law and Islamic Law. However, the National Culture Act of 1939 institutionalized 'Thai-ification' practices begun five years earlier. Following the end of WWII, Patani people in the southern region of Thailand began campaigning for cultural and legal rights but were repressed in response. By the 1950s Patani nationalism began to gain currency among locals and in 1960s several separatist groups were established sparking a low-scale separatist insurgency. Violence escalated between Patani insurgents and national security forces in 2001 and by 2004, Minister Thaksin Shinawatra officially recognised fighting was not the mere product of 'bandits'. Separatist groups fought under several ideologies; however, the overarching goal was to assert regional autonomy. By the early 2000s, jihadism had also become prevalent which has made the conflict more complex. Violence continued and escalated again in 2010. Peace talks continue to be rejected by the Barisan Revolusi Nasional-Coordinate (BRN-C), one of the major opposition factions. A peace process was briefly started by Yingluck Shinawatra following the signing of a consensus document in 2013, but faced serious hurdles including the lack of support by the BRN-C. Separatist attacks against civilians in the deep South continue while Thai peace delegations urge for formal negotiation talks with the several separatist groups.

Close

South Thailand Insurgency (2001 -

)

**Stage** Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict nature** Government/territory

**Peace process** Thailand peace process

Parties For Party A [The Government of Thailand] Lt Gen Paradorn Pattanatabut For Party B

Ustaz Hassan Taib

For Party B [people who have different opinions and ideologies from the state] Ustaz

Hassan Taib

**Third parties** Witnessed by Datuk Mohamed Thajudeen bin Abdul Wahab Secretary of the National

Security Council of Malaysia

**Description** The parties agree to engage in a peace dialogue aimed at ending separatist conflict in

Southern Border Provinces, and appointing a third party Facilitator.

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** No specific mention.

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)

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** No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

**Elections** No specific mention.

**Electoral** 

No specific mention.

commission

**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** No specific mention.

general

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political

No specific mention.

rights

**Socio-economic** 

No specific mention.

rights

## **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** 

No specific mention.

measures

**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** No specific mention. **emergency law** 

**State of emergency** No specific mention.

provisions

Judiciary and

No specific mention.

courts

**Prisons and** 

No specific mention.

detention

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

#### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or** 

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

National economic No specific mention.

plan

**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

No specific mention.

**Police** 

No specific mention.

**Armed forces** 

No specific mention.

**DDR** No specific mention.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces No specific mention.

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** No specific mention.

general

**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 Witnessed by Datuk Mohamed Thajudeen bin Abdul Wahab Secretary of the National

signatory

Security Council of Malaysia.

Referendum for

agreement

No specific mention.

International

mission/force/

similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

No specific mention.

Related cases

No specific mention.

Source

**UN Peacemaker** 

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