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Country/entity Kenya

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name National Accord and Reconciliation Act 2008

Date 28 Feb 2008

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

Kenyan Post-Electoral Violence (2007 - 2008)

The conflict emerged as post-election violence. After the incumbent President Kibaki was declared the winner of the Kenyan presidential elections in December 2007, complaints of fraud and a structural disadvantage affecting his competitor Raila Odinga lead to outbreaks of severe ethno-political violence. After the first incidents in the Rift Valley region, mainly directed against the Kikuyu ethnic group – the traditional powerbase of Kibaki – the fighting spread to the cities of Nairobi and Mombasa. After two months, Kibaki and Odinga agreed on a power-sharing agreement that granted Odinga the post as a Prime Minister and ended the violence.

Close

Kenyan Post-Electoral Violence (2007 - 2008)

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict nature Government

Peace process Kenya peace process

Parties This is an Act of Parliament. The original copy has been paragraphed by:

- H.E. President Mwai Kibaki, Government/Party of National Unity

- Hon. Raila Odinga, Orange Democratic Movement

Third parties This is an Act of Parliament. The original copy has been paragraphed the following

witnesses:

- H.E. President Jakaya Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania and

Chairman of the African Union

- H.E. Kofi A. Annan, Chairman of the Panel of Eminent African Personalities

Description This Agreement is an Act of Parliament providing for the settlement of the disputes

arising from the presidential elections of 2007, formation of a Coalition Government and

various related matters.

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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

No specific mention.

(general)

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

Page 1, Preamble:

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Page 1, Descriptions of the Act: An Act of Parliament to provide for the settlement of the disputes arising from the presidential elections of 2007, formation of a Coalition Government and Establishment of the Offices of Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Ministers and Ministers of the Government of Kenya, their functions and various matters

connected with and incidental to the foregoing.

Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political parties

No specific mention.

reform

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/ religious leaders

No specific mention.

Public

No specific mention.

administration

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making

Page 2, Article 8:

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dissolved, or a new constitution is enacted, whichever is earlier.

Power sharing

Political power sharing

Power sharing→Political power sharing→General

State level

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A coalition must be a partnership with commitment on both sides to govern together and push through a reform agenda for the benefit of all Kenyans.

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Power sharing→Political power sharing→Executive coalition

State level

Page 1, Article 3:

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- (2) The person to be appointed as Prime Minister shall be an elected member of the National Assembly who is the parliamentary leader of-
- (a) the political party that has the largest number of members in the National Assembly; or
- (b) a coalition of political parties in the event that the leader of the political party that has the largest number of members of the National Assembly does not command the majority in the National Assembly.
- (3) Each member of the coalition shall nominate one person from the elected members of the National Assembly to be appointed a Deputy Prime Minister.

Page 1-2, Article 4:

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(2) In the formation of the coalition government, the persons to be appointed as Ministers and Assistant Ministers from the political parties that are partners in the coalition other than the President's party, shall be nominated by the parliamentary leader of the party in the coalition.

Thereafter there shall be full consultation with the President on the appointment of all Ministers.

- (3) The composition of the coalition government shall at all times reflect the relative parliamentary strengths of the respective parties and shall at all times take into account the principle of portfolio balance.
- (4) The office of the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister shall become vacant only if-

•••

(c) the coalition is dissolved.

Page 2, Article 6:

The coalition shall stand dissolved if:

- (a) the Tenth Parliament is dissolved; or
- (b) the coalition parties agree in writing; or
- (c) one coalition partner withdraws from the coalition by a resolution of the highest decision-making organ of that party in writing.

Page 2, Article 8: Page 6 of 11

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Territorial power

No specific mention.

sharing

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

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

No specific mention.

international human rights institutions

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.

No specific mention. **Banks**

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.

signatory

Other international This is an Act of Parliament. The original copy has been paragraphed the following witnesses:

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Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

International mission/force/ similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

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