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Country/ entity	Philippines Mindanao
Region	Asia and Pacific Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Joint Communique
Date	20 Jan 2000
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Philippines - Mindanao process
Parties	USec. Orlando V. Soriano, GRP Peace Negotiating Panel Chairman; Aleem Abdulaziz Mimbantas, MILF Peace Negotiating Panel Chairman
Third parties	-
Description	Joint Communique by the GRP and MILF Peace Panels that informs on the 1st Formal Meeting, held on January 19-20, 2000, in which the Panels approved the notation of previous Agreements, adoption and approval of the proposed talking point of the GRP-MILF peace talks, and confidence-building measures and proposals to strengthen existing Agreements, primarily Immunity and Security Guarantees, a Comprehensive Agreement on the Respect of Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws, and for the CCCH to hasten the implementation of 12/1/2000 Agreement to Cease Hostilities along the National Highway and the 2/9/1999 Agreement to Hold the Ceremony of the Formal Peace Talks. Additionally, the Panels tasked the Technical Committees to cluster the nine (9) talking points and to create Technical Working groups of both Parties in order to discuss their talking points and then submit the output for approval by the Peace Panels.

**Agreement
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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.
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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 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 3. Adoption of confidence-building measures and proposals to strengthen all existing Agreements: b. Comprehensive Agreement on the Respect of Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws.

[...] At said meeting, the MILF Panel furnished the GRP Panel for discussion and comment proposed drafts, to with: b.) "Agreement on the Respect of Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws."

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 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	<p>3. Adoption of confidence-building measures and proposals to strengthen all existing Agreements: b. Comprehensive Agreement on the Respect of Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws.</p> <p>[...] At said meeting, the MILF Panel furnished the GRP Panel for discussion and comment proposed drafts, to wit: b.) "Agreement on the Respect of Human Rights and Humanitarian Laws."</p>

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.
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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 3. 3. Adoption of confidence-building measures and proposals to strengthen all existing Agreements: a. Immunity and Security Guarantees

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
3. 3. Adoption of confidence-building measures and proposals to strengthen all existing Agreements: c. Tasking the Coordinating Committees on Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) to hasten the implementation of the GRp-MILF Agreements on September 2, 1999 and January 12, 2000.

Also, both GRP and MILF Panels disposed the following business: b.) Tasked the Coordinating Committees on Cessation of Hostilities (CCCH) to hasten the implementation of the GRP-MILF Agreement on September 2, 1999 and January 12, 2000;

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
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 No specific mention.

Referendum
for
agreement No specific mention.

International
mission/
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement
mechanism No specific mention.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source GRP-MILF Peace Process: Compilation of Signed Agreements & other related Documents (1997-2010); (MILF Peace Panel/Asia Foundation, 2010), p. 81.
