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Country/ Bosnia and Herzegovina entity Yugoslavia (former)

Region Europe and Eurasia

Europe and Eurasia

Agreement

Decisions on Mostar of 12 February 1997

name

Date 12 Feb 1997

Agreement

Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes arrangement

Agreement/

Intrastate/local conflict (Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001))

conflict level

Stage Implementation/renegotiation

Conflict

Government/territory

nature

Peace Bosnia peace process

process

Parties President Izetbegovic, President Zubak, Co-Chairman Silajdzic, Vice-

Chairman Tomic, Foreign Minister Prlic, Croatian Democratic Union of Bosnia and Herzegovina (HDZ) President Rajic, Democratic Action Party (SDA) Vice-President and Prime Minister Bicakcic, Mostar Mayor Prskalo and Deputy

Mayor Orucevic

Third parties

The meeting was chaired by the Principal Deputy High Representative, Mr. Michael Steiner. Also present were the Commander of the Stabilization Force (SFOR), General Crouch, Acting Police Commissioner Wasserman and Head of

the Office of the High Representative South, Sir Martin Garrod.

Description This agreement aims to fully implement existing Federation agreements, and

to address recent tensions, violence and displacement in Mostar. It provides for the International Police Task Force (IPTF) to investigate and cooperate with the Stabilization Force (SFOR) to provide security and guarantee

freedom of movement for residents.

Agreement document

BA_970912_Decisions on Mostar.pdf Download PDF

Local agreement properties

Process

Formal structured process

type

Rationale

Although the talks were related to an isolated issue of violence in Mostar, the talks were held under the auspices of the Office of the High Representative, with parties who had previously engaged in formal signed agreements and

talks.

Is there a

documented

link to a national peace process? Yes

Link to

The agreement makes reference to ongoing national processes to implement

national the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, including the the Mostar

provisions of the Agreed Measures of the Federation Forum of 3 February.

articulated rationale

process:

Name of

Locale

Mostar

Nature Of

Locale

City

GPS Lat/

43.344127, 17.810621

Long (DD)

Participant Central state actor type Local state actor

International or transnational actor

Regional state actor

Mediator,

Mediator or similar referred to

facilitator or

similar

Mediator

The meeting was chaired by the Principal Deputy High Representative, Mr.

(references) Michael Steiner.

Type of

International or transnational actor

mediator/facilitator/

similar

Local issues

Ritual/ prayer and process (including No specific mention.

Grievance List

use of scripture)

Page 1, Untitled preamble

The participants condemned in strongest terms the violent acts committed in Mostar and all provocative acts preceding the present crisis. They equally condemned the evictions of Mostar citizens and the harassments on the road to and from Mostar which followed the events of Monday. They deeply deplored the bloodshed and the loss of life of Mostar citizens. They expressed their condolences to the bereaved and sympathy to those who were injured.

Cattle rustling/banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover

Page 1, 2. The participants committed themselves personally to ensure that IPTF will receive all available evidence and that police forces will cooperate fully and in good faith in the conduct of the investigation. Local police shall comply with all demands by the investigation team and will assist IPTF in all stages of the investigations, including by making all persons immediately available for interviews by the investigators. The operational responsibility for the provision of the evidence to IPTF lies with the Mayor and his Deputy.

Page 1-2, 3. The participants agreed that they would accept and endorse the report by IPTF in full and that they would draw the necessary conclusions from it, in particular the following:

- (a) Perpetrators will be arrested and brought to trial;
- (b) Office holders, including police, found responsible of instigating or participating in violent acts will be dismissed from their offices.