

<b>Country/entity</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina Yugoslavia (former)
<b>Region</b>	Europe and Eurasia
<b>Agreement name</b>	Agreement on the disarmament of the able-bodied population in the Zepa enclave
<b>Date</b>	24 Jul 1995
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/local conflict
<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Bosnia Local peace processes
<b>Parties</b>	Rajko KUSIC; Hamdija TORLAK
<b>Third parties</b>	UNPROFOR representative Semjon DUDNJIK Certified by Colonel General Ratko MLADIC
<b>Description</b>	This surrender agreement provides for the forcible removal of the civilian population from the former UN safe area of Zepa, and the holding of civilians until military prisoners are released, all to be facilitated by the ICRC, UNPROFOR, UNHCR and other humanitarian organisations, in accordance with the Geneva Conventions.

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### Local agreement properties

**Process type** Isolated example

**Rationale** Although similar agreements had been signed as other safe areas had been captured (for example, the agreement between Rupert Smith and Ratko Mladic), there is no publically-available evidence which suggests that agreements had been reached between these parties before, or in relation to Zepa. Eyewitness accounts suggest that this agreement was reached independently of a formal process.

**Is there a documented link to a national peace process?** Yes

**Link to national process: articulated rationale** There is no stated link to the national peace process in the agreement. However, witness accounts submitted to the ICTY suggest that this agreement was reached independently of concurrent attempts being made by high ranking UN staff to reach an agreement on demilitarising Zepa to prevent it being overrun, and the points made in the agreement contradict proposals made by national-level actors to resolve the crisis. Therefore the link to the national process is that this agreement was made in contradiction of central attempts to reach an agreement on the area and issue.

**Name of Locale** Zepa

**Nature of Locale** Smaller

**GPS Lat/Long (DD)** 43.953946, 19.132594

**Participant type** International or transnational actor  
Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations  
Other

**Mediator, facilitator or similar** No mention of mediator or similar

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**Local issues**

**Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture)** No specific mention.

**Grievance List** No specific mention.

**Cattle rustling/ banditry** No specific mention.

**Social cover** No specific mention.

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