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Country/ Syria

entity

Region Middle East and North Africa

Agreement Deal between Islamic State of Iraq and Syria and the Aleppo People's

name Initiative on power station access

Date 1 Sep 2012

Agreement Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/local conflict (Syrian Conflicts (1948 -) (1976 - 2005) (2011 -))

conflict level

Stage Pre-negotiation/process

Conflict Inter-group

nature

Peace process Syrian Local Agreements

Parties Syrian Army;

Governor of Aleppo;

Islamic State of Iraq and Levant, Willayat Aleppo, Western Division;

Third parties Aleppo People's Initiative, headed by Tariq 'Aturah.

Description Humanitarian agreement allowing for the evacuation of a wounded soldier

from the Aleppo power station, agreement also provides for a 48 hour

ceasefire to allow farmers to harvest their crops near the station.

Agreement document

SY_120900_ISIS_Aleppo Deal_EN.pdf Download PDF

Agreement document (original

language)

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Local agreement properties

Process type Isolated example

Rationale -> Local issues only; no external support mechanism; no culture of signing No formally established-mechanism supported the negotiation between the signing parties. Moreover, this agreement cannot be linked to the national peace process. Indeed, ISIS has a Salafi-Jihadi ideology; it opposes the rule of Bashar al-Assad in Syria and rejects the idea of a national negotiation to solve the conflict. No element can establish a culture solving daily pragmatic issues through agreements. The agreement is related to a highly specific and localised issue. Moreover, the agreement mentions that it aims to "protect the wellbeing of the Muslim employees" and refers to the Syrian army as "the armies of the Apostate State". This agreement is an exception in 2012 as ISIS usually fully reject negotiations with representatives of the Syrian state.

Is there a No documented link to a national peace process?

process: articulated

Link to It is complicated to link the agreement to the national peace process in Syria, national although it involves central and local governance actors. IS and the Syrian government officially do not recognise each other, it seems that the rationale agreement was pushed by the local community. Also, IS rejects the national peace process, as it would maintain Bashar al-Assad and the Syrian government in power.

Name of Hurariyya Locale

Nature Of Smaller Locale

similar

GPS Lat/Long 36.175459, 37.437222 (DD)

Participant Central state actor type Local state actor Local armed group

Mediator. Mediator or similar referred to facilitator or similar

Mediator Aleppo People's Initiative (references)

Type of Local armed group Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society mediator/ organisations facilitator/

Local issues

Ritual/ prayer and process Page 1, 2. The Islamic State is exonerated from any responsibility from anyone who reneges on this commitment in front of Allah and the people.

(including use of scripture)

[Summary] use of the term 'apostate' to refer to soldiers of the Syrian regime and the Syrian state.

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For the world to note that soldiers and armies of the Apostate State captured and detained staff in the Hurruriyya Station in the countryside east of Aleppo. In response, soldiers of the Islamic State sniped two [of them], killing one and wounding another. After these events the existing besieged army [in the station] undertook the capture and detainment of the workers inside the station and exposed them to harassment, insults, swearing and threats, and stating that they would not part with those they captured until the entrance of a doctor [to attend] to the wounded soldier. To protect the wellbeing of the Muslim employees, we granted a doctor access and diagnosed the situation of the wounded opponent. After glimpsing the situation and diagnosing it, it appeared that he was in need of a hospital for his treatment, but they refused to release the staff despite them having no relationship to the fighting between both sides.

Cattle rustling/banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.