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Country/ entity	Syria
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Levant Front and People's Protection Units Agreement (Unnamed)
Date	5 Feb 2015
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict (Syrian Conflicts (1948 -) (1976 - 2005) (2011 -))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Syrian Local Agreements
Parties	Levant Front; People's Protection Units (YPG)
Third parties	-
Description	Short agreement between Levant Front and People's Protection Units on joint Shariah Courts, offices for proselytization, the situation of mosques and to jointly target the Islamic State and the regime of Bashar al-Asad.

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Local agreement properties

Process type Informal but persistent process

Rationale -> Local issues only; no external support mechanism; culture of signing No formally-established mechanism supported the negotiation between the two parties. Moreover, this agreement cannot be linked to the national peace process. Indeed, both groups have a Salafist ideology; they oppose the rule of Bashar al-Assad in Syria and reject the idea of a national negotiation to solve the conflict. Yet, it seems that both signing parties (especially the YPG) choose to resort to agreements to solve daily pragmatic issues related to their armed struggle. Although one cannot speak of a “culture” of signing peace agreements, the parties are involved (in a non-proactive and non-conscious way) in a persistent practice of signing local agreements.

Is there a documented link to a national peace process?

Link to national process: articulated rationale No link to the national peace process in Syria is mentioned in the agreement, neither it can be inferred from further research. First, the agreement does not involve local governance actors; and the signing parties themselves are not official state representative. Second, all parties to the agreement reject the national peace process, as it would maintain Bashar al-Assad and the Syrian government in power. The agreement refers to the Syrian regime as "corrupter[s]"

Name of Locale Aleppo, Afrin (including countryside)

Nature Of Locale Region

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 36.510028, 36.868782

Participant type Local armed group

Mediator, facilitator or similar No mention of mediator or similar

Local issues

Ritual/ prayer and process (including use of scripture) Page 1, Unify the executive authorities of both parties, including all courts and rule according to the Shariah of Allah.

Grievance List	<p>Although the agreement does not refer to specific causes of the conflict, it lists three provisions to address local grievances.</p> <p>Page 1,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unify the executive authorities of both parties, including all courts and rule according to the Shariah of Allah. 2. Both parties [will] open an office for the purposes of Dawa [proselytizing] and Shariah and follow up on the issues of mosques, including that of Friday prayer in Aleppo, Arfin and its surrounding villages. 3. Pursue the corrupters (Dawlah [ISIS] & the Regime) wherever they are and make them stand trial in order to return rights to their people and ensure that there is safety and security in the liberated areas, where the signatories of this agreement are based.
Cattle rustling/ banditry	No specific mention.
Social cover	Page 1, Pursue the corrupters (Dawlah [ISIS] & the Regime) wherever they are and make them stand trial
