

Country/entity	Libya
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Statement on the Current Events in the Capital Tripoli
Date	15 Mar 2017
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict

Libyan Conflicts (1969 - 1994) (2011 -)

Agreements relate to two distinct conflict dyads.

Libya-Chad. Since the 1970s, Libya under Colonel Muammar Gaddafi had a tense relationship with its neighbour Chad, predominantly focused on the resource-rich Aouzou Strip in northern Chad. Libyan claims of the Aouzou Strip were held in an unratified treaty between France and Italy in 1935, similarly Chadian claims of the Strip were argued with support of a 1955 treaty between Libya and France. In 1973, Libya effectively annexed the Strip to gain access to natural resources. This spurred cross-border clashes between 1979 until 1987 until escalated to a brief war known as the Toyota War, wherein Chadian government troops succeeded in repelling Libyan forces. A brief and repeatedly violated ceasefire was held from 1987-88, followed by a series of unsuccessful negotiations, until an International Court of Justice ruling in 1994, which granted sovereignty of the Strip to Chad.

Libya post-Gaddafi. Gaddafi's downfall following the Libyan Civil War in 2011-2012, led to several factions fighting for the country's leadership. Since 2013, the country effectively split into three entities, with the National Army controlling the east including the city of Benghazi, and the New General National Congress and their militias such as the Golden Dawn controlling the northwest including the capital of Tripoli. Significant portions of the country in the south-west are currently held by Tuareg forces. The civil war and chaos continued into 2014 as the General National Congress refused to disband after the expiry of its mandate, resulting in eruption of mass protests. The UN efforts continue to broker peace between the Libyan Army and the Libya Dawn factions, and a partial ceasefire was declared in January 2015. A new interim-government (Tunisia-based) called 'Government of National Accord' is formed with the backing of UN despite the refusal of the other forces to recognise its authority and arrived to Tripoli with the UN in 2016. A state of emergency was declared by the UN backed government amid clashed between rival militia in Tripoli's southern suburbs. Since April 2019 there has been sustained fighting between the Libyan National Army and the UN-backed government in Tripoli as the Libyan National Army aims to seize Tripoli.

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Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Libyan peace process
Parties	The Presidential Council, the Defence Minister, the Interior Minister, the Command of the Presidential Guard, all the deans of the municipalities of Misurata, Central Tripoli and Souq al-Juma'a, the Security Director of Tripoli, the Command of the Military Area of Tripoli, the Supreme Council for Reconciliation of Greater Tripoli, the Council of Elders for Consultation and Reform of the Municipality of Misurata and a number of commanders of the brigades of Tripoli and Misurata.
Third parties	-
Description	Ceasefire agreement between rival factions in Tripoli. The agreement itself is backed by the Government of National Assembly in Tripoli. Agreement calls for an immediate ceasefire, and assigns various Brigades loyal to the Ministry of Defence to secure the city. An implementation committee is formed consisting of of the two Ministries of Interior and Defence within 30 days.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Formal structured process
Rationale	-> Link to national level; external support mechanism; culture of signing The agreement between warring armed faction was supported by the UN-installed Presidency Council and is embedded into constant negotiation efforts of the UN and central government to bring an end to the violent confrontations in the capital.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	Yes
Link to national process: articulated rationale	The agreement is clearly linked to the national process. It was backed by the Government of National Assembly in Tripoli, brokered by the UN-installed Presidency Council and was signed by a number of central state actors.
Name of Locale	Tripoli
Nature of Locale	City

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 32.886894, 13.188079

Participant type Central state actor
Local state actor
Local armed group
Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder

Mediator, facilitator or similar Mediator or similar referred to

Mediator (references) UN-installed Presidency Council

Type of mediator/facilitator/similar Central state actor

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture) Page 1, May Allah protect Libya

Grievance List Page 1, Due to the current security situation inside the capital Tripoli and the unfortunate events that have claimed the lives of citizens [...]

Cattle rustling/ banditry No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.
