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Country/ entity	Syria
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Minutes of Agreement (between Ahrar al-Sham (AAS) and Jaysh al-Fatah, Idlib)
Date	21 Jul 2016
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	Side one: Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya, represented by Brother Doctor Hussein and Abu Ahmed Tarmanin, member of the Shura of Jaysh al-Fatah [Signed] Side two: Jund al-Aqsa, represented by Brother Khalid Khatib and Abu Hashim Miri, member of the Shura Council of al-Fatah [Signed]
Third parties	Judicial Committee of Jaysh al-Fatah : Sheikh Abdu al-Rizaq al-Mahdi, Abu Jabir al-Hamawi, Abu al-Harith al-Misri, Abu Islam al-Hamawi (and) al-Mu'tasim b-Allah al-Jazrawi.
Description	Ruling issued by the Presidency of the Shura Council of Idlib on behalf of the Idlib Judicial Committee of Jaysh al-Fatah providing for 9 items: (1) that the dispute be solved by the Judicial Committee; (2) that barricades be pulled back; (3, 4 & 5) that the prisoners and dead are exchanged; (6 & 7) assigning representatives from both parties; and that (8) the media hostilities end and to solve the 'judicial file' as soon as possible.

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Local agreement properties

Process type Formal structured process

Rationale -> Local issues only; external support mechanism; culture of signing There is a formally established local mechanism to support the negotiation between the two Salafi armed groups (Judicial Committee). Moreover, it seems that both signing parties choose to solve daily pragmatic issues related to their armed struggle through agreements. 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? No

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.

Name of Locale Oram

Nature Of Locale City

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 35.791500, 36.568143

Participant type Local armed group

Mediator, facilitator or similar Mediator or similar referred to

Mediator (references) Judicial Committee of Jaysh al-Fatah : Sheikh Abdu al-Rizaq al-Mahdi, Abu Jabir al-Hamawi, Abu al-Harith al-Misri, Abu Islam al-Hamawi (and) al-Mu’tasim b-Allah al-Jazrawi.

Type of mediator/facilitator/similar Local armed group Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder

Local issues

Ritual/
prayer and
process
(including
use of
scripture)

No specific mention.

Grievance
List

Although the agreement does not refer to specific causes of the conflict, it lists nine provisions to address local grievances.

Page 1, The following terms have been agreed:

1. The problem will be referred to the Judicial Committee.
2. The two sides will pull back their barricades.
3. The deceased Jund al-Aqsa soldiers will immediately be handed over to the Executive Force of Jaysh al-Fatah.
4. The deceased of Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya will be handed over to their families after a medical examiner has seen them.
5. Both sides will immediately release their detainees.
6. Brother Doctor Hussein will be the one responsible for bringing any items from Harakat Ahrar al-Sham al-Islamiyya upon the request of the Council of Justice of Jaysh al-Fatah.
7. Brother Khalid Khatib will be the one responsible for bringing any items from Jund al-Aqsa upon the request of the Council of Justice of Jaish al-Fatah.
8. Both sides will cease their media escalation.
9. The judicial file will be terminated as soon as possible.

Cattle
rustling/
banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover

No specific mention.