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Country/

Yemen

entity

Region Middle East and North Africa

Agreement

Agreement document between the disputed parties in Bani Al-Amiriya, Bikal

name

Chamber, Mazhar District

Date 7 Aug 2014

Agreement

Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/local conflict (Yemeni Civil Wars (1994) (2011 -))

conflict level

Framework/substantive - partial Stage

Conflict

Inter-group

nature

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process

Parties Bikal Chamber

> Houthis Governor

Director of Security Popular Committees [7 other parties]

Third

parties

Description Agreement sponsored by state actors to attain calm in Mazhir District by (1)

> prohibiting inflammatory language; (2) ending armed manifestations at the mosque and elsewhere; (3) freedom of expression; (4) asserting the right of the state to solve disputes; (5) the nature of higher national principles

including the results of the national dialogue conference.

Agreement

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Local agreement properties

Process

Formal structured process

type

Rationale

This is an unusual type of local agreement, nonetheless it displays some level of formal process and support from local bodies dedicated to ensuring the provisions of the agreement. The body consists of the parties involved in the dispute which appear to be Ansar Allah (the Houthis) and Reformists (Al Islah party), and they are further supported by the Governor and Director of Security There are also elements of persistent local practices of signing present, primarily by the expression of values involving peaceful co-existence among parties and freedom of opinion and expression. Similarly to other agreements between local groups and Ansar allah, it appears that the process set out for implementation is generally ambiguous, with signing parties expected to display a level of mutual understanding and commitment around implementation.

Is there a documented link to a national peace process?

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Link to national process: articulated rationale The involvement of the Governor of the province cannot usually be assumed to represent a link to the national process. There are however direct references to the national process and to respect for state authority and law in the agreement which is signed by the Governor. The provisions of the agreement also stipulate that the state will be the ultimate authority in settling disputes and references principles of the national process as being of fundamental importance. It is implicit by the wording that these principles should be viewed as greater than any person or 'anyone'. Page 1, 4. Any disputes or mistakes by a person or persons, the State is the authority [to solve the issue] and no one has the right to avenge or influence, promote and follow the State jurisdiction according to law and order. Page 1, 5. National 'fundamental principles (Republic, unity, constitution, law and the outputs of the national dialogue). These principals cannot be compromised, accused, exited or possessed by anyone [if so] the authorities shall take proper legal measurements.

Name of Locale

Mazhar district, Raymah (Rima) governorate

Nature Of

Region

Locale

GPS Lat/

14.523218, 43.769699

Long (DD)

Participant type

Local state actor
Local armed group

Mediator,

Mediator or similar referred to

facilitator or

similar

Mediator (references)

Not listed in the agreement text but mentioned in the Arabic source attached to the Arabic agreement document, is the role of the Governor acting as a

facilitator by hosting the signing in his office.

Type of mediator/ facilitator/ similar

Local issues

Ritual/

prayer and process (including

use of scripture)

Grievance List [Summary] (1) Hostile propaganda, particularly from the mosque in addition to armed manifestations at the same locations; (2) a silencing of freedom of

thought, speech and religion and lack of peaceful co-existence; (3) a

Page 1, In the name of God, most Gracious, most Compassionate

weakening of rule of law

Cattle

rustling/ banditry No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.