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Country/ entity	Syria
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Statement by Jabhat Fatah al-Sham on Ceasefire in Kansafra
Date	8 Oct 2016
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict (Syrian Conflicts (1948 -) (1976 - 2005) (2011 -))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Syrian Local Agreements
Parties	Kansafra Council; The Dawah Council in Kansafra; Jabhat Fatah al-Sham in Kansafra (Abu Jassim and Abu Ishaq)
Third parties	-
Description	Statement by Jabhat Fatah al-Sham (JFS) on the ceasefire between Jund al-Aqsa and Ahrar al-Sham in Kansafra pledging to do their part in helping. Main points are: (1) a prohibition among JFS on hostilities against other mujahideen; and (2) prohibition on checkpoints.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Isolated example
Rationale	-> Local issues only; external support mechanism; no culture of signing The agreement is a call for peace among Jihadi groups and is related to the protection of jihadists in the village of Kansafra. It is highly localised and was not supported by any formally established mechanism. Neither the issue at stake nor the signing of agreements seems persistent in this instance, suggesting that there is no culture of peace process.
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. Although two of the signing parties are local governance actors; the third party is a Salafi-Jihadi group that rejects the national peace process, as it would maintain Bashar al-Assad and the Syrian government in power.
Name of Locale	Kansafra
Nature Of Locale	City
GPS Lat/ Long (DD)	35.667498, 36.486457
Participant type	Local state actor Local armed group Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder
Mediator, facilitator or similar	No mention of mediator or similar

Local issues

Ritual/
prayer and
process
(including
use of
scripture)

Page 1, Allah (SWT) says:
“And if two factions among the believers should fight, then make settlement between the two. But if one of them oppresses the other, then fight against the one that oppresses until it returns to the ordinance of Allah. And if it returns, then make settlement between them in justice and act justly. Indeed, Allah loves those who act justly.” (Quran 49:9)

Page 1, It is sad to watch our brothers the mujahideen from Jund al-Aqsa and Ahrar al-Sham fighting and shedding each other’s blood, which is forbidden. Based on what Allah has said, and His order to his servants to help other believers who are fighting amongst themselves reach a solution and rule between them with justice, as well as to preserve the blood of our people and our brothers, we, the people of the village of Kansafra in general, and specifically the mujahideen from Jabhat Fatah al-Sham, will not allow anyone, no matter which group they are affiliated with from among our brothers the mujahideen, to attack any of the other mujahideen in the village.

Page 1, We hope that anyone who believes that they have been wronged and are in the right will go to the Shariah judiciary to get their rights back, and we have, all praise be to Allah, knowledgeable people who can help us not need to take these actions. Allah says: “And if you disagree over anything, refer it to Allah and the Messenger, if you should believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is the best [way] and best in result.” (Quran 4:59)

Page 1, All Praises be to Allah, the Lord of the Worlds

Grievance
List

Although the agreement does not refer to specific causes of the conflict, it seems that it addresses the grievances that arose from the clashes between Salafi-jihadi groups in the city of Kansafra.

Cattle
rustling/
banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover

No specific mention.