

Country/entity	Central African Republic
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Commitment note
Date	18 May 2019
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict

Central African Republic Conflicts (1996 -)

The Central African Republic conflict is one of a set of regionally connected conflicts addressed by the African Great Lakes process. After the country gained independence from France in 1960 it has been ruled by a sequence of autocratic leaders that principally gained power through coups. Since the mid-1990s several waves of internal conflict took place in the Central African Republic, primarily along tribal, and later-on increasingly sectarian, lines. In 1996 and 1997, French troops and soldiers from neighbouring countries intervened to end a mutiny in the capital, Bangui, by factions of the army. The fighting was predominantly along tribal lines, with southern tribes in revolt against the 'northern' government. A UN mission was installed in 1998 to secure the truce. After General Bozizé took control of the country after several coup attempts in 2003, a 'bush war' began led by armed opposition forces. From late 2006 onward, government troops with French military support severely weakened the rebels. Following this, a number of agreements were signed during 2007-2008, but not all factions have accepted them. In 2011, Bozizé was re-elected in supposedly fraudulent elections, which resulted in a new wave of uprisings. Séléka, an alliance of northern rebel groups, took over parts of the country and forced Bozizé to agree to a power-sharing deal. However, after this agreement broke down, Séléka took control of Bangui and Bozizé had to flee the country in 2013. Leader of Séléka, Michel Djotodia, took office and officially disbanded Séléka. However, continual violence between ex-Séléka groups and opposing militias, collectively known as 'anti-balaka', persisted and Djotodia was forced to resign less than a year later. Catherine Samba-Panza was installed as interim president until Faustin Archange Touadéra was elected in January 2016. In February 2019 an agreement was signed between the government and fourteen armed groups, including ex-Seleka groups, committed to disarmament. However, violence between ex-Seleka groups and anti-balaka continues.

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Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Inter-group

Peace process	CAR: Local Processes
Parties	Signatory parties: Com-Zone UPC Amadou-Sallet Anti-G Balakas CB Edmond Obrou MINUSCA captain in Tagbara The mayor of Oron Djafoune Seni-Maloum The mayor
Third parties	-
Description	Short note of between the Anti-Balaka in Mambissu and the UPC in Tagbara, committing to respect the Khartoum agreements, and provisions regarding oxen theft, respecting farmers' breeding areas, social cohesion, free movement, and resolving conflicts through dialogue.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Unable to establish
Rationale	The agreement is very brief and contains no details about the context of the meeting or how it was organised, and secondary searches have not generated any additional information.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	Yes
Link to national process: articulated rationale	The agreement states that the parties 'Commit to respecting the Khartoum agreements on peace, social cohesion, and cohabitation'. The Khartoum agreement is the Political Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation in the Central African Republic (also known as the Khartoum Accord), which was signed between the national government of CAR and multiple groups, and guaranteed and facilitated by the African Union, international actors, and neighbouring states.
Name of Locale	N/A
Nature of Locale	Other
GPS Lat/Long (DD)	5.890532, 21.101510

Participant type Local state actor
Local armed group
International or transnational actor

Mediator, facilitator or similar No mention of mediator or similar

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture) No specific mention.

Grievance List No specific mention.

Cattle rustling/ banditry Page 1,
In this respect, we commit to:
- Stopping the theft of oxen from farmers' harnesses.
- Respecting the two farmers' breeding areas.

Social cover No specific mention.
