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Country/ entity	South Sudan Sudan
Region	Africa (excl MENA) Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Nuba Mountains Ceasefire Agreement on Sudan
Date	19 Jan 2002
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict (Sudan Conflicts (1955 -))
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Kordofan - Blue Nile - Abyei process
Parties	FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SUDAN Dr. Mutrif Siddig Ali FOR THE SUDAN PEOPLES' LIBERATION MOVEMENT/NUBA (SPLM/NUBA) Cdr. Abdul Aziz Adam El Hilu
Third parties	AS WITNESSES: FOR THE SWISS CONFEDERATION Ambassador Josef Bucher FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Col. Cecil Dennis Giddens
Description	Ceasefire agreement calling for the redeployment of all combatants from the Nuba Mountains region. Empowers a Joint Military Commission to monitor the ceasefire. The agreement is renewable after six months upon agreement of both parties.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Formal structured process
Rationale	This agreement was the result of seven days of negotiations between the Government of Sudan and the SPLM/Nuba in Buergenstock, Switzerland that were facilitated by teams of Swiss and American mediators. The SPLM/Nuba and the Government of Sudan engaged in other negotiations prior to and after the signing of this agreement.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	Yes
Link to national process: articulated rationale	The Nuba mountains are one of the main contested areas between Sudan and South Sudan, and they were one of the key topics in the pre-2005 peace negotiations between the two parties. This agreement is regarded as part of this series of negotiations and agreements that have paved the way for the wider IGAD/Naivasha talks which resulted in the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement in January 2005.
Name of Locale	Nuba mountains (Southern Kordofan and the province of Lagawa in Western Kordofan)
Nature Of Locale	Region
GPS Lat/ Long (DD)	12.000067, 30.749996
Participant type	Central state actor Local armed group International or transnational actor
Mediator, facilitator or similar	Mediator or similar referred to
Mediator (references)	Facilitators and mediators: Ambassador Josef Bucher (Switzerland); Col. Cecil Dennis Giddens (United States of America). Both have signed the agreement as witnesses and a secondary source describes in detail their role in facilitating and mediating this agreement (Mason, 2007; see references).
Type of mediator/facilitator/similar	International or transnational actor

Local issues

Ritual/ prayer and process (including use of scripture)	No specific mention.
Grievance List	Page 1, Preamble, Aware of the vital need to establish a settlement to the conflict which has been taking place for many years and to promote peace in the Nuba Mountains;
Cattle rustling/ banditry	No specific mention.
Social cover	No specific mention.
