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Country/entity	Philippines Rebolusyonaryong Partido ng Manggagawa-Pilipineas (RPMP/RPA/ABB)
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Rules and Procedures to Implement the Intent and Provisions of the Peace Agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and the Rebolusyonaryong Partido NG Manggagawa – Pilipinas/Revolutionary Proletarian Army/Alex Boncayao Brigade
Date	14 Oct 2002
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes

Agreement/conflict level Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -)

The Maoist Insurgencies (1968 -)

Philippines-NDF

The Philippines have been defined by a series of center-periphery and often ideologically Maoist, separatist insurgencies. The Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP), began its war against the central Philippine government in 1968 through their armed wing – the New People’s Army (NPA). Further legitimacy was gained through the establishment of the National Democratic Front (NDF) in 1973. Grievances were predominantly opposed to the corruption and repression under the authoritarian Marcos regime.

Philippines-Cordillera

With the overthrow of Marcos’ regime in 1986, the CPP factionalized further to take on more localized characteristics. The Cordillera Peoples Liberation Army (CPLA) broke away from the NDF in 1986 to focus on the protection of the Cordilleran people and land in northern Luzon. Hostilities were formally ended in July 2011, with an agreement signed between the central government, the CPLA and the Cordillera Bodong Administration (CBA) that allowed for the absorption of CPLA fighters into the Philippine Army and the re-working of the CBA-CPLA into a socio-development organisation.

Philippines-RPM-P

Meanwhile, purge among the CPP in the early 1990s, encouraged the formation of a parallel party, the Revolutionary Workers Party (RPM-P). Their armed wing, the Alex Boncayao Brigade (ABB) which had carried out a number of assassinations during the 1980s at the bequest of the CPP, followed suit and allied themselves with the RPM-P in 1997 forming the (RPM-P-RPA-ABB). Severely weakened by the split with the CPP and with the arrest of several key figures, the RPM-P-RPA-ABB signed a peace agreement in December 2000, which encouraged the RPM-P’s branch in Mindanao to break away in 2001.

The CPP-NPA has only participated in intermittent talks with the government. Talks halted in 2004 when Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo’s administration sought closer ties with the U.S. in the war on terror and added the CPP-NPA to the list of terrorist organisations, renewing violence. Following the launch of a counter-insurgency by the Philippine government, negotiations have been further delayed due to suspected internal differences between the CPP ‘old guard’ and younger members.

The Moro Insurgency (1968 -)

Philippines-Mindanao

The Moro Insurgency began in 1968, in Mindanao and the Sulu archipelago after the killing of Moro Commandos, the so-called Jabidah Massacre, by the Philippine Army following a plot to invade Sabah province in Malaysia. The Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) captured a swath of territory in the mid-1970s. In an attempt to stem the violence, the constitution was reformed and Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) was created 1990 granting a devolution of power to the provinces of Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi. Following the establishment of the ARMM, the MNLF splintered into a range of smaller groups including Islamic factions such as the

Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Philippines: RAM process
Parties	SEC. TERESITA QUNITOS-DELES, NAPAC Leader Convenor and IEMC Chair person BISHOP HILARIO M. GOMEZ, JR, UCCP Bishop Emeritus and JEMC Vice-Chairperson USEC. VICTOR A. MAYO, NSC Deputy Dir.-Gem. and JEMC Member MR. STEPHEN PADUANO, RPMP/P/RPA/ABB Peace Panel and JEMC Member MR. VERONIC TABARA, RPM/P/RPA/ABB Peace Panel and JEMC Member
Third parties	-
Description	The Agreement sets out the rules and procedures to implement the intent and provisions of the Peace Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Philippines and the RPM-P/RPA/ABB. Pursuant to this, the Agreement establishes the Joint Enforcement and Monitoring Committee (JEMC) to supervise the implementation of the Peace Agreement. Moreover, the JEMC shall be assisted by four local level Technical Working Groups (N-TWG), including the N-TWG on the Cessation of Hostilities, Civil and Political Rights, Reintegration and Development. Moreover the Implementation groups shall ensure community consultation in this process.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation No specific mention.

Equality No specific mention.

Particular groups of women No specific mention.

International law No specific mention.

New institutions No specific mention.

Violence against women No specific mention.

Transitional justice Transitional justice→Prisons, prisoner release
Page 8, F. Release of Alleged Political Offenders Alleged Political Offenders (APOs)/
Political Prisoners
... 2. On humanitarian grounds, priority in the dropping of charges and/or release of
APOs/Political Prisoners shall be given to minors, women, the aged, and the sick in
evaluating the release of APOs. In general, however, the process of release should be
done on case to case basis following the timetable to be established by the N-TWG on
Civil and Political Rights, and adopted by the JEMC.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development No specific mention.

Implementation No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.
