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Country/entity Togo

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement name Dialogue Inter-Togolais: Accord Politique Global

Date 20 Aug 2006

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

Togolese Conflicts (1946 -)

Since gaining its independence from France in 1960, Togo was ruled by various authoritarian regimes that at times harshly suppressed any political opposition. Although opposition parties were legalised and a democratic constitution introduced in the early 1990s, election tampering and the suppression of opposition under the rule of the military commander Gnassingbe Eyadema remained common. Protests over rigged elections lead to the killing of hundreds in 1998, resulting in several internationally backed mediation efforts. After Gnassingbe Eyadema died after 38 years of rule in 2005, his son Faure Gnassingbe took over and re-won the presidency in questionably free elections shortly thereafter.

Close

Togolese Conflicts (1946 -

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Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict nature Government

Peace process Togo peace process

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"representatives of the European Union (EU) and the Economic Community of West Africa (Communauté Économique de l'Afrique de Ouest, CEDEAO) as observers"

Description

This agreement is a proposal/call by the signing parties to the president of Togo to establish a national unity government to restore peace and trust, and the organisation (principles, modalities and institutions) of the legislative elections. It also covers national reconciliation more generally and constitutional and institutional reforms necessary for the consolidation of democracy, the state of law and good governance. They make recommendations in relation to a number of topics. Annex 1 is on the Commission Electorale Nationale Independante (CENI) of which the two civil society organisations signatories of the agreement will be members. Annex 2 is on the roadmap for the national unity government. It includes its special tasks. Annex 3 is on the principles for behaviour of the parties during the elections.

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language)

Women, girls and gender

Participation

Participation→Gender quotas

Page 3, I The establishment of a New National Assembly at the end of a transparent, fair electoral process, 1.2: These elections will take place in accordance with the provisions defined by consensus in the electoral framework in relation to the following points: ...a quota for female candidates

Page 7, I The establishment of a New National Assembly at the end of a transparent, fair electoral process, 1.2.11 Quota for female candidates: The Parties to the Dialogue commit to aim towards equitable representation for women in the electoral process and in national political life.

Participation→Effective participation

Page 8, I The establishment of a New National Assembly at the end of a transparent, fair electoral process, 1.2.12 Funding of Political Parties:...The Government will decide on incentives for the participation of women in political life.

Page 19, Annex 2 Regarding the Roadmap of the National Union Government: In addition to, its classical constitutional remit, the Government will the the following priority tasks: ...to introduce incentives for the participation of women in political life.

Equality

No specific mention.

Particular groups of No specific mention. women

International law No specific mention.

New institutions No specific mention.

Violence against

women

No specific mention.

Transitional justice No specific mention.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development No specific mention.

Implementation Implementation→Women's role and consideration in implementation of the agreement

Page 2, Untitled Preamble: In accordance with the twenty two (22) commitments subscribed to as the outcome of consultations with the European Union and with the aim of consolidating democracy, national reconciliation and social peace, the Rally of the Togolese People (RPT), and five (05) parties from the traditional opposition: the Action Committee for Renewal (CAR), the Democratic Convention of African Peoples (CDPA), the Patriotic Panafrican Convention (CPP), the Parti for Democracy and Renewal, Union of Forces for Change, the Government as well as 2 civil society organisations: The Group of Reflection and Action for Women: Democracy and Development (GF2D), The Network for African Women Ministers and Parliamentarians (REFAMP/T) reunited in Lomé from 21

April to 06 [sic] July 2006 as part of a National Dialogue.

Other No specific mention.