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Country/ entity	Ireland United Kingdom Northern Ireland
Region	Europe and Eurasia Europe and Eurasia Europe and Eurasia
Agreement name	A Fresh Start: The Stormont Agreement and Implementation Plan
Date	17 Nov 2015
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Northern Ireland Conflict (1968 - 1998))
Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Northern Ireland peace process
Parties	Participants listed as: the UK and Irish Governments, and the five main Northern Ireland parties Ministerial introduction signed by: First Minister Peter Robinson; deputy First Minister Martin Guinness Foreword signed by the Rt Hon Theresa Villiers MP Secretary of State for Northern Ireland; Foreword signed by Mr Charles Flanagan TD Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Third parties	-
Description	This agreement addresses outstanding issues from the Stormont House Agreement (SHA) of 23 December 2014: the legacy and impact of paramilitary activity, and implementation of the SHA. It also sets out the financial and welfare reform programme for the Northern Ireland executive, and implementation of issues from the SHA on flags, parades, The Past, and institutional reform.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation	Participation→Effective participation Page 38, Section "F", Outstanding Commitments The participants agree: ... 69. Noting that there is not at present consensus on a Bill of Rights, the parties commit to serving the people of Northern Ireland equally, and to act in accordance with the obligations on government to promote equality and respect and to prevent discrimination; to promote a culture of tolerance, mutual respect and mutual understanding at every level of society, including initiatives to facilitate and encourage shared and integrated education and housing, social inclusion, and in particular community development and the advancement of women in public life; and to promote the interests of the whole community towards the goals of reconciliation and economic renewal.
Equality	No specific mention.
Particular groups of women	No specific mention.
International law	No specific mention.
New institutions	New institutions→Infrastructure (general) Page 59, Section "F", Nine Departmental Model: The Executive Office OFMDFM less: ... • Policy responsibility for Gender and Sexual Orientation Page 60, Section "F", Nine Departmental Model: Communities Functions from OFMDFM: ... • Policy responsibility for gender and sexual orientation
Violence against women	No specific mention.
Transitional justice	No specific mention.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development Development→General

Page 17, Section "A", 3.9 Community Engagement and Prevention

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Development of a programme to increase the participation and influence of women in community development.

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Implementation No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.