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Country/ Democratic Republic of Congo

entity

Region Africa (excl MENA)

Agreement Accord entre le Gouvernement de la Republique Domocratique du Congo et

name la Force de Resistance Patriotique de l'Ituri (FRPI)

Date 28 Feb 2020

Agreement Multiparty signed/agreed

status

Interim Yes arrangement

Agreement/ Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Congo Civil Wars (1996 -))

conflict level

Stage Framework/substantive - partial

Conflict Government

nature

Peace process DRC: Eastern DRC processes

Parties Representatives of the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo

at both national and provincial levels.

Ituri Patriotic Resistance Force (FRPI)

(see original language document for images of signatures as they were not

possible to transcribe)

Third parties Having met in direct talks organised by provincial STAREC representatives

and the MNS and Coordinator of the national NGO ACIAR, under the guidance

of the Provincial Government of Ituri, with the technical and logistical

support of MONUSCO;

Description As part of the disarmament process between the government and the Ituri Patriotic Resistance Forces (FRPI) the agreement provides for ceasefire and DDR, factors relating to the demobilisation of FRPI members, stating that they will transform into a political party following signing of the agreement. The agreement stresses the need to continue the work of the government's Stabilisation and Reconstruction Plan for War Affected Areas (STAREC) which aims to address the three areas of; security and restoration of the state; humanitarian assistance and social service delivery; and economic recovery. Therefore following Ceasefire and DDR provisions the agreement also substantively addresses return of displaced persons and refugees, government amendments to amnesty laws and overall improved socioeconomic conditions that support transitional justice and community reconciliation frameworks. There is also recognition by the Government for the need to build a similar strategy for the South-Irumu region. The agreement holds detailed provisions for an oversight committee to implement the points of discussion in the agreement in an intercommunal way; the committee is to include members of FRPI.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation Participation→Effective participation

Page 3, PREAMBLE

...Considering the solemn agreement of various actors who have facilitated the process through the "Pamoja Kwa Amani" project and expressing our gratitude to all of theses actors for their efforts, especially STAREC?ISSSS, the National Oversight Mechanism, the NGO ACIAR, local Walendu Bindi leadership, various community leaders, representatives of civil organisations, religious leaders, feminist organisation, youth representatives, the administration of the Irumu Territory, the provincial government of Ituri and MONUSCO;...

Page 9, TITLE IV: OVERSIGHT OF PERFORMANCE OF THE AGREEMENT Article 10: Oversight Committee

... On a local level, the Parties agree to put in place a joint local committee presided over by the Administrator for the Irumu Territory, composed of members of the local security committee, FRPI representatives, representatives of STAREC officers, representatives of civilian society, women's and youth organisations, and MONUSCO.

Equality → Equality → Equality (general)

Page 5, TITLE II: HANDLING OF ISSUES AROUND ARMED CONFLICT

Article 2: Ceasefire...

The ceasefire involves the following for the Parties:...

2. Refrain from any action which threatens peace and security, specifically:... -

Any act of violence, extortion, discrimination or exclusion of civilian

populations, particularly women, children and other vulnerable persons.

Particular

groups of women

No specific mention.

International No specific mention.

law

New No specific mention.

institutions

Violence against women→Sexual violence

against women

Page 7, TITLE II: HANDLING OF ISSUES AROUND ARMED CONFLICT

Article 5: Amnesty and release of prisoners

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Violence against women→Protection (general)

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justice

Transitional Transitional justice→Past and gender

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reform

Institutional Institutional reform→Emergency/criminal law/corruption reform Page 7, TITLE II: HANDLING OF ISSUES AROUND ARMED CONFLICT

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Development No specific mention.

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

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Other No specific mention.