Union Level agreement between PNLO and UPWC

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Ceasefire

1. On August 25, 2012, PNLO and state government authorities signed a ceasefire agreement to halt fighting. If other armed groups enter the PNLO controlled area, UPWC must help to solve the problem.

Code of Conduct

2. Code of Conduct must be uniform for all ceasefire groups. Both sides agreed to study and review the terms.

Liaison Office and Economic office

3. In accordance with the state level peace agreement, a liaison office has been opened in Taunggyi city. Both sides agreed to open other liaison offices in Hsee Hsai and Mauk Mae, as well as a business office in Tha Htone city.

National Identity Card

4. Both sides agreed that the UPWC will help PNLO members and other civilians to obtain official national identity cards.

Relief, Resettlement, Anti-Narcotics and Development

5.

- (a) PNLO will submit a proposal for Ka Du Gyi and Mae Aww road construction to the Union government
- (b) Based on the constitution, the government must provide Humanitarian aid during a crisis
- (c) PNLO has the permission to cooperate with INGOs and NGOs
- (d) PNLO will cooperate with Union government, State government and local authorities to implement education, healthcare, agriculture-based development
- (e) Union government must help anti-narcotic operations
- (f) Union government must assist agriculture-based development

Economics

6. In accordance with the current constitution, PNLO can establish companies to conduct businesses related to mining, logging, cement, hotels and warehouses.

Demining

7. The two sides agreed to cooperate with the government's demining department in removing landmines along the Ka Du Gyi – Mae Aww road

Youth, Women and Labour

8.

- (a) To help the coordination and promotion of Pa-O youth, women and workers
- (b) To promote the participation of youth, women and laborers at each level of the political process

- (c) To permit the Pa-O national conference, youth conference, women conference and labour conference in accordance with the law
- (d) To permit the establishment of social networks, media, publications and broadcasting businesses
- (e) To permit promoting the empowerment of youth, women and labors

Political dialogue

9. Both sides agreed to continue political talks after the PNLO and UPWC sign a union level ceasefire agreement

(Remark: PNLO is a member of the UNFC and will ensure political discussions are inline with the group)

Discussion policy

10. Irrespective of group size, both sides will continue to discuss all difficulties, problems and disagreements in accordance with this agreement.

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