

In the Name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Accord and Peaceful Coexistence Document between the al-Qadhahfa Tribe and the Awlad Sulayman Tribe

Allah says in his Holy Book: “The believers are but brothers, so make settlement between your brothers. And fear Allah that you may receive mercy.”

And He says: “No good is there in much of their private conversation, except for those who enjoin charity or that which is right or conciliation between people. And whoever does that seeking means to the approval of Allah - then We are going to give him a great reward.” Allah’s word is truth.

The Prophet (PBUH) says: “Let him who believes in Allah and the Last Day be good to his neighbor.”

In compliance with our religion, following the efforts of good people to reconcile relationship, and in answering the call of our nation and our brothers, the Committee to resolve the conflict between the Al Qadhahfa tribe and the Awlad Sulayman tribe, which is formed of tribes, different social groups from the south, a delegation from the Warfalla Bani Walid, a delegation from the Barqah (Cyrenaica) tribes, a delegation from the dignitaries of the Friday Market, prominent figures from the middle region, a delegation from Tarhuna, and a delegation from Zintan, has been in contact with wise men and dignitaries from the Awlad Sulayman and al-Qadhahfa tribes in order to bridge the gap and reconcile the differences between the two tribes. After rounds of talks, thanks to Allah and because of the efforts of these good men, an agreement was reached that satisfied both sides, and both sides committed to implementing this agreement and adhering to all of the rulings in it. The agreement is as follows:

First: Adhering to the minutes of the second agreement, which was signed between the two sides on 25/11/2016, which stated that there would be a ceasefire and a handover of the sites that were used as military positions during the recent round of fighting, and included a commitment to not return to these sites

Second: If there are any hostilities, or criminal acts, by the members of any of the sides, the issue shall be limited to the perpetrator, and they shall be handed over to the entities that will be agreed upon by the two sides and the Conflict Resolution Committee, and the two sides also commit to not indiscriminately respond or detain people based on their identification documents.

Third: Both sides shall pledge to remove all societal protection from anyone who commits any crime or criminal act against the other side and refuses to hand themselves over to the entity that is agreed upon by both sides

Fourth: Each side is responsible for any violation that occurs by any individuals or groups of its members who are in the armed groups, with their different names and affiliations, both sides pledge that these groups will not get involved in tribal conflicts, that heavy weapons will not be used in these conflicts, and they commit to ensure that their members will not attack these armed groups, understanding that this is their responsibility to do this

Fifth: Removing the roadblocks and obstructions, and opening public streets and roads after the signing of this agreement at the expense of both sides, and each side commits to be disciplined, abide by road etiquette, and not provoke the other side

Sixth: Staying away from any statements on all forms of media, including visual, auditory, and printed media, and anything else that might escalate tension between the two sides, or using rhetoric that promotes tolerance and coexistence, and each side must ensure that its members to not do anything to provoke the other side on the frontlines of the clashes and in places of coexistence, like educational institutions and public service sites

Seventh: Each side shall withdraw from the positions that it controls and hand over the property that it has taken from the other side under the supervision of the Conflict Resolution Committee and in accordance to written handover receipts.

Eighth: Each side shall prepare lists of the demands or grievances that they have against the other side and submit them to the Conflict Resolution Committee as soon as possible so that the Committee can start to look into them after the signing of this agreement.

Ninth: Both sides pledge, to Allah and to the tribes and components of Libyan society, who are the sponsors of and witnesses to this agreement, to commit to the items of this agreement, implement everything in it, and consider it a step towards comprehensive reconciliation. In the case that either side violates what was agreed upon, the Libyan social components and tribes will hold the violating side responsible in the eyes of all Libyans through the media.

Tenth: Both sides pledge, as do all of the components of the south, to fight against the phenomenon of tinting car windows, and they shall do this in coordination with the Sabha security directorate, and anyone who violates this is liable legally and to society.

Eleventh: The Conflict Resolution Committee shall task a committee that is made up of its members and the committees of the two sides to supervise the implementation of the agreement and deal with any problems or violations that take place after this agreement goes into effect.

Twelfth: This agreement goes into effect upon being signed by the two sides and published in the media.

Finally, we ask Allah to guide everyone to that which is good, and we ask Him to make the period after this agreement, and the adherence to its rulings, an opportunity for all sides to prove their good intentions, build confidence between them, and instill a spirit of tolerance in order to reach a comprehensive reconciliation as soon as possible.

We would also like to express our thanks and appreciation to all of our brothers, wise men and dignitaries from other tribes, who have previously tried to work to reconcile between the two tribes.

The Conflict Resolution Committee shall continue in its work until the desired objective is reached, which is a comprehensive reconciliation.

For Allah...and peace be upon you

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¹ Signed, Sunday 4 December 2016

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