#### Peace Agreement Access Tool PA-X https://www.peaceagreements.org/

**Country/entity** Afghanistan

Pakistan

**Region** Europe and Eurasia

Asia and Pacific

**Agreement name** Joint Declaration adopted by Pak-Afghan Joint Peace Jirga

**Date** 12 Aug 2007

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

**Agreement/conflict** Interstate/intrastate conflict(s)

level

Afghan Wars (1979 - )

The agreements are drawn from two distinct conflict periods. Post Soviet-intervention period. First, after an uprising against the communist government, the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in December 1979 and set up a puppet government. Fierce resistance came in on the form of domestic and foreign Mujahidin fighters who, by 1988, forced the Soviet Union to withdraw. The Communist government that remained was defeated in 1992 against a background of violence, which spiralled into a tumultuous multi-party civil war with a strong tribal basis. In 1993 a peace accord was signed, but by 1994 the conflict realigned itself as the Islamic-based Taliban emerged from the refugee camps, eventually occupying the capital city of Kabul in September 1996 spurring groups that had militantly opposed the communist government to unite in opposition to the Taliban.

Post US-intervention period. After the terror attacks on September 11, 2001, the United States invaded Afghanistan and removed the Taliban from power. In December 2001, the UNSC mandated the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) to assist Afghanistan's interim authorities. In 2003 ISAF command was placed under NATO's responsibility. Within three years, however, the Taliban managed to re-group and re-structure and launched intense resistance to the internationally-recognized Afghanistan government and NATO support troops. Despite this resurgence of the Taliban, NATO leaders lacked the necessary support for the mission abroad, and NATO troops were withdrawn by the end of 2014.

Close

Afghan Wars (1979 -

)

**Stage** Framework/substantive - partial

**Conflict nature** Territory

**Peace process** Afghanistan: 2000s Post-intervention process

Parties H.E. Hamid Karzai, President of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

H.E. Shauket Aziz, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, H.E. General Pervez

Musharraf, President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Third parties

**Description** Short agreement outlining the main recommendations including the urgency of fighting

terrorism, the importance of brotherly relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan, fighting the scourge of poppy cultivation, and the instituting of development projects

and infrastructure with support from the international community.

Agreement

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Groups

**Children/youth** No specific mention.

**Disabled persons** No specific mention.

**Elderly/age** No specific mention.

**Migrant workers** No specific mention.

Racial/ethnic/ national group No specific mention.

**Religious groups** No specific mention.

**Indigenous people** No specific mention.

**Other groups** No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced** No specific mention.

persons

**Social class** No specific mention.

#### Gender

Women, girls and

gender

No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

#### **State definition**

Nature of state (general)

Page 1, 3. The Joint Peace Jirga once again emphasizes the vital importance of brotherly relations in pursuance of policies of mutual respect, non-interference and peaceful coexistence and recommends further expansion of economic, social, and cultural relations between the two countries.

**State configuration** No specific mention.

**Self determination** No specific mention.

**Referendum** No specific mention.

**State symbols** No specific mention.

Independence/ secession No specific mention.

Accession/ unification No specific mention.

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

Cross-border provision

No specific mention.

Governance

**Political** No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

**Elections** No specific mention.

**Electoral** 

No specific mention.

commission

**Political parties** 

reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** 

No specific mention.

Traditional/ religious leaders No specific mention.

**Public** administration No specific mention.

Constitution

No specific mention.

# **Power sharing**

**Political power** 

sharing

No specific mention.

**Territorial power** 

sharing

No specific mention.

**Economic power** 

sharing

No specific mention.

**Military power** 

sharing

No specific mention.

# **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL** No specific mention.

general

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty

No specific mention.

incorporation

Civil and political

No specific mention.

rights

**Socio-economic** 

No specific mention.

rights

# **Rights related issues**

**Citizenship** No specific mention.

**Democracy** No specific mention.

Detention procedures

No specific mention.

Media and communication

No specific mention.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection** 

No specific mention.

measures

**Other** No specific mention.

# **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions

No specific mention.

# **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and** No specific mention. **emergency law** 

**State of emergency** No specific mention.

provisions

Judiciary and

No specific mention.

courts

**Prisons and** 

No specific mention.

detention

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

#### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or** 

No specific mention.

socio-economic reconstruction

**National economic** No specific mention.

plan

**Natural resources** No specific mention.

International funds Page 2, 5. The governments of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and Islamic Republic of

Pakistan, with the support of the international community, should implement infrastructure, economic and social sector projects in the affected areas.

**Business** 

No specific mention.

**Taxation** 

No specific mention.

**Banks** 

No specific mention.

# Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/

No specific mention.

nomadism rights **Cultural heritage** 

No specific mention.

**Environment** 

No specific mention.

Water or riparian

No specific mention.

rights or access

**Security sector** 

Security **Guarantees**  No specific mention.

Ceasefire

No specific mention.

**Police** 

No specific mention.

**Armed forces** No specific mention.

**DDR** No specific mention.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

No specific mention.

Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

**Corruption** No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime

No specific mention.

**Drugs** 

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#### **Terrorism**

Page 1, The main recommendations made by the first Joint Peace Jirga are summarized as follows:

1. Joint Peace Jirga strongly recognizes the fact that terrorism is a common threat to both countries & the war on terror should continue to be an integral part of the national policies and security strategies of both countries. The participants of this jirga unanimously declare to an extended, tireless and persistent campaign against terrorism and further pledge that government and people of Afghanistan and Pakistan will not allow sanctuaries/training centers for terrorists in their respective countries.

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### **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice** No specific mention.

general

**Amnesty/pardon** No specific mention.

**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** No specific mention.

**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** No specific mention.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** No specific mention.

**Reconciliation** Page 1, 2. The Joint Peace Jirga resolved to constitute a smaller Jirga consisting of 25

prominent members from each side that is mandated to strive to achieve the following

objectives:

a. Expedite the ongoing process of dialogue for peace and reconciliation with opposition.

b. Holding of regular meetings in order to monitor and oversee the implementation of

the decisions/recommendations of the Joint Peace Jirga.

c. Plan and facilitate convening of the next Joint Peace Jirgas.

d. Both countries will appoint 25 members each in the committee.

# **Implementation**

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

Other international No specific mention.

signatory

**Referendum for** No specific mention.

agreement

**International** No specific mention.

mission/force/

**Enforcement** 

mechanism

similar

No specific mention.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

**Source** UN Peacemaker; http://peacemaker.un.org/node/1485