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**Country/entity** Bosnia and Herzegovina

Yugoslavia (former)

**Region** Europe and Eurasia

**Agreement name** Agreement

**Date** 26 Mar 1993

**Agreement status** Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

## Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001)

### Former Yugoslavia

The disintegration of former Yugoslavia post cold war saw conflicts which became mediated and produced peace agreements in Slovenia (where the brief independence conflict was mediated by the EC Troika in 1991), Croatia (between Croatian and Serb populations 1991-1995), in Bosnia (between Croatian, Serb and Bosniak populations 1992-1995), in Macedonia (where mediation played a key pre-emptive role in preventing large scale conflict in 2001), in Kosovo (between Kosovar Albanians and Serbian population and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY), but also between FRY and NATO, 1998-1999), and a conflict in the Presevo Valley (between Albanians in South Serbia and FRY, 2000-2001). The continued fall-out of the disintegration of former Yugoslavia also saw mediated agreement and ultimate dissolution of the Union between Serbia and Montenegro.

## Bosnia-Herzegovina

In 1991, after nationalist parties won the first multi-party elections in the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, a violent process of disintegration commenced. With its mixed population, Bosnia-Herzegovina became the centre of the following civil war that began in 1992 between the newly formed army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (mostly Muslim Bosniacs), and the parastatal forces of self-declared Bosnian Croat (Herzeg-Bosnia) and Bosnian Serb (Republika Srpska) entities within Bosnia-Herzegovina, supported by Croatia and Serbia, with various, often short-lived, coalitions. The General Framework Agreement (Dayton Peace Agreement), signed in 1995, split the country into two ethno-federal entities, the Bosniak-Croat Federation and the Republika Srpska, and included continued peacekeeping and institutional administration by international actors.

#### Kosovo

The conflict between Serbs and Kosovar Albanians has a long history and always involved territorial disputes as well as ethno-political, cultural and linguistic factors. The most recent phase of the conflict began in November 1997 when the Albanian Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA or UCK) began their campaign for the independence of Kosovo from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY – then Serbia and Montenegro). The subsequent war lasted until the NATO intervention, which undertook bombing campaigns of Belgrade and other places in Serbia during spring 1999. The main agreements solving the conflict were internationally driven and, finally, a UNSC resolution imposed a post-conflict arrangement in the wake of what was essentially a NATO military victory. In February 2008, Kosovo's parliament declared independence, but independence is still internationally disputed.

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**Stage** Pre-negotiation/process

Close

**Conflict nature** Government/territory

**Peace process** Bosnia peace process

Parties The Busovača Joint Commission [formed of representatives of the Army of Bosnia and

Herzegovina, the HVO, and members of the European Community Monitoring Mission

and UNPROFOR]

Third parties -

**Description** This short agreement provides for an investigation of the situation in Bilalovac, free

movement of people and goods through Vares, removing military checkpoints in the area of joint responsibility, a process to form joint civilian checkpoints in Busovaca, and the parties agree to exchange liaison officers at all required levels in Central Bosnia.

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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/** Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

**national group** Page 1, 2.

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well as that of the Muslims in Busovača...

**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 No specific mention.

gender

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

## **State definition**

Nature of state

No specific mention.

(general)

**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/

No specific mention.

unification

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

Cross-border

No specific mention.

provision

#### Governance

**Political** No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

**Elections** No specific mention.

**Electoral** 

commission

No specific mention.

**Political parties** 

reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** 

No specific mention.

Traditional/ religious leaders No specific mention.

**Public** 

No specific mention.

administration

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

Power sharing→Military power sharing→Joint command structures

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The BiH Army and HVO forces will exchange liaison officers at all required levels in Central Bosnia to ensure the implementation of joint decisions and enable cooperation in general. The Busovača Joint Commission is asked to submit detailed plans for this exchange before the next meeting of the Coordination Committee scheduled for 5 April 1993.

## 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

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- a) All military checkpoints within the joint area of responsibility of the 1st and 3rd Corps of the Army of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the OZ SB HVO will be removed by 29 March 1993 at 12noon.
- b) The civil police chiefs from both sides will meet and draft a joint directive for all civilian

checkpoints, which needs to be submitted by 29 March 1993 at 12noon.

c) The documents from points a) and b) will be produced by the high-ranking political representatives, present at this meeting, for the highest BiH governmental bodies, so that

the removal of checkpoints is carried out as soon as possible across the whole territory.

Protection measures

No specific mention.

**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** No specific mention.

**Business** Page 1, 3.

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**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

rights or access

No specific mention.

## **Security sector**

# **Security Guarantees**

No specific mention.

Ceasefire

No specific mention.

#### **Police**

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For the next meeting of the Coordination Committee scheduled for 5 April 1993, all civilian police chiefs from both sides will produce a joint report on their cooperation to ensure order and safety within their area of responsibility in Central Bosnia.

## **Armed forces**

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## **DDR** No specific mention.

# Intelligence services

No specific mention.

## Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

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Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

**Corruption** No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime

No specific mention.

**Drugs** No specific mention.

**Terrorism** No specific mention.

## **Transitional justice**

general

**Transitional justice** No specific mention.

**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** No specific mention.

Implementation

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international** No specific mention.

signatory

 ${\bf Referendum\ for}$ 

agreement

No specific mention.

International

mission/force/

similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement

mechanism

No specific mention.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

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