Country/entity	Kyrgyzstan Tajikistan
Region	Europe and Eurasia
Agreement name	Joint statements of the Governmental delegations of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic on the delimitation and demarcation of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border
Date	5 May 2021
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Interstate/interstate conflict

Kyrgyzstan–Tajikistan Border Clashes

A border conflict began between Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan on 28 April 2021. Both countries had become independent of Russia in 1991, with Russia having delimited the border between them. Military from each country along the border began clashes, with the precise reasons disputed, although possibly related to historic disputes over water. This clash escalated militarily. At least 55 people were killed in the events and more than 40,000 civilians were displaced. In January 2022, sporadic clashes resumed, killing at least 2 and wounding many more. An initial ceasefire was declared (no formal agreement has been found) 30 April 2021, but did not fully hold. This led to ongoing mediation of the dispute and a statement of agreement between the Presidents.
Close
Kyrgyzstan–Tajikistan Border Clashes

Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Territory
Peace process	Kyrgyzstan–Tajikistan Border Process
Parties	S.S. Yatimov Head of the delegation of the Republic of Tajikistan K.K. Tashiyev Head of the delegation of the Kyrgyz Republic

Third parties	-
Description	The joint statement by the governmental delegations of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan on May 5, 2021, in Dushanbe, addresses the delimitation and demarcation of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border. The agreement, fostered by a spirit of mutual trust and historical coexistence, focuses on urgent measures to resolve border disputes and resume joint commission work, using historical documents from 1924-1927 and 1989 as references. It includes specific plans for border delineation in designated areas, construction of a bypass road, and arrangements for the next meeting in Tajikistan.

Agreement document	KG_TJ_210505_Joint Statements of the Governmental Delegations of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic on the delimitation and demarcation of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border_EN.pdf (opens in new tab) | Download PDF
Agreement document (original language)	KG_TJ_210505_Joint statement of the Governmental delegations of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic on the delimitation and demarcation of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border.pdf (opens in new tab)
Source of document	http://ucdpged.uu.se/peaceagreements/fulltext/Kyr-Taj%202021-05-02_Ru.pdf

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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 persons	No specific mention.
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)	No specific mention.
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	The heads of the delegations of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic expressed mutual understanding on the issue of the need to urgently describe the boundary line in the remaining areas of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border. The parties agreed to use documents and materials from the 1924-1927 National territorial-demarcation and 1989 parity commission to describe the project line of the state border between the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic in the areas from border point No. 43 to border point No. 61 and from border point No. 135 to border point No. 141. Working groups of topographers were instructed to describe the project line of the Kyrgyz-Tajik border in the above-mentioned areas from May 5th to May 9th of the year 2021. At the same time, by May 17, 2021, working groups of the parties will commence topographic work for describing the project line of the Kyrgyz-Tajik state border in Ovchi Kalacha Babajan in Gafurov district, Chorkuh, Somoniyon, Khojai-Alo of Isfara city in Sogd region of the Republic of Tajikistan as well as populated areas Maksat, Kulundu in Leilek district, Kok-Tash, Kok-Terek, Ak-Sai settlements in Batken district of Batken region of the Kyrgyz Republic. To assure unhindered movement of citizens and passage of vehicles and goods of the Republic of Tajikistan, before the completion of the process of delimitation, demarcation and legal registration of the Kyrgyz-Tajik state border, the parties reached an agreement to jointly construct “Khojai Alo-Vorukh” bypass road on the eastern side of Kapchigai (Tangi) settlement, which the Tajik side will be using and maintaining. The status of the road will be determined by a separate state agreement between the two countries. The parties agreed to proceed with the design description of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border line at the Vorukh area after the construction of the bypass road on the eastern side of the Tangi (Kapchygai) settlement is completed.
Cross-border provision	No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)	No specific mention.
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 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 general	No specific mention.
Bill of rights/similar	No specific mention.
Treaty incorporation	No specific mention.
Civil and political rights	No specific mention.
Socio-economic rights	No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship	No specific mention.
Democracy	No specific mention.

Detention procedures	No specific mention.
Media and communication	No specific mention.
Mobility/access	To assure unhindered movement of citizens and passage of vehicles and goods of the Republic of Tajikistan, before the completion of the process of delimitation, demarcation and legal registration of the Kyrgyz-Tajik state border, the parties reached an agreement to jointly construct “Khojai Alo-Vorukh” bypass road on the eastern side of Kapchigai (Tangi) settlement, which the Tajik side will be using and maintaining. The status of the road will be determined by a separate state agreement between the two countries.
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 emergency law	No specific mention.
State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.
Judiciary and courts	No specific mention.
Prisons and detention	No specific mention.
Traditional Laws	No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction	Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction To assure unhindered movement of citizens and passage of vehicles and goods of the Republic of Tajikistan, before the completion of the process of delimitation, demarcation and legal registration of the Kyrgyz-Tajik state border, the parties reached an agreement to jointly construct “Khojai Alo-Vorukh” bypass road on the eastern side of Kapchigai (Tangi) settlement, which the Tajik side will be using and maintaining. The status of the road will be determined by a separate state agreement between the two countries. To promptly commence the construction of the aforementioned road, the working groups of topographers were instructed to conduct a field examination of the given area on the lands of practical use in the Batken region, together with design organizations, by June 1, 2021. The parties agreed to proceed with the design description of the Tajik-Kyrgyz state border line at the Vorukh area after the construction of the bypass road on the eastern side of the Tangi (Kapchygai) settlement is completed.
National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	To promptly commence the construction of the aforementioned road, the working groups of topographers were instructed to conduct a field examination of the given area on the lands of practical use in the Batken region, together with design organizations, by June 1, 2021.
International funds	No specific mention.
Business	No specific mention.
Taxation	No specific mention.
Banks	No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights	No specific mention.
Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	No specific mention.
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	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	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	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 signatory	No specific mention.
Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.
International mission/force/ similar	No specific mention.
Enforcement mechanism	No specific mention.