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**Country/entity** Guatemala

**Region** Americas

**Agreement name** Agreement on a Timetable for Negotiations of a Firm and Lasting Peace in Guatemala

**Date** 29 Mar 1994

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

Guatemalan Civil War (1960 - 1996)

Civil war broke out in Guatemala when numerous leftist and agrarian groups took up arms in 1960 in face of the repression from the conservative regime of Carlos Castillo Armas. The Armas regime came to power in 1954 following a CIA-backed coup against the leftist government of Jacobo Arbenz. The main rebel umbrella was the Guatemalan National Revolutionary Unity (URNG). During the civil war numerous counts of genocide and mass disappearances occurred. In the late 1980s, when a civilian government came to power, the URNG changed tactics when releasing that they wouldn't come to power through armed conflict. The war came to an end on December 29, 1996, and since then URNG converted to an official political party.

Close

Guatemalan Civil War (1960 - 1996)

**Stage** Pre-negotiation/process

**Conflict nature** Government

**Peace process** Guatemala peace process

Parties For the Government of the Republic of Guatemala: Héctor ROSADA GRANADOS; General

Carlos Enrique PINEDA CARRANZA; Antonio F. ARENALES FORNO; General Julio Arnoldo BALCONI TURCIOS; Mario PERMUTH; General José Horacio SOTO SALAN; Ernesto VITERI

ECHEVERRIA;

For the Unidad Revolucionaria Nacional Guatemalteca General Commander Pablo MONSANTO; Commander Gaspar ILOM; Commander Rolando MORAN; Carlos

GONZALES;

Political and Diplomatic Commission: Luis Felipe BECKER GUZMAN; Francisco VILLAGRAN MUÑOZ; Miguel Angel SANDOVAL VASQUEZ; Mario Vinicio CASTAÑEDA PAZ,

Adviser;

For the United Nations: Marrack GOULDING, Under-Secretary-General; Jean ARNAULT,

Moderator;

**Third parties** 'Political and Diplomatic Commission', UN (all signatories)

**Description** Further to the Framework Agreement, agreed timetable for remainder of negotiations;

the moderator to agree the specifc dates. Set December 1994 as the anticipated

completion date

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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** Groups→Indigenous people→Rhetorical

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1. To establish the following timetable for discussion of outstanding items on the agenda for the negotiations as a guide for the continuation of their work.... June 1994. negotiations on the item: Identity and rights of indigenous peoples. Signing of

agreement.

**Other groups** No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced** Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive

persons Page 1,

1. To establish the following timetable for discussion of outstanding items on the agenda for the negotiations as a guide for the continuation of their work: May 1994. negotiations on the item: Resettlement of the population uprooted by the armed

confrontation. Signing of agreement.

**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** No specific mention.

**Cross-border** 

provision

No specific mention.

#### Governance

Political

No specific mention.

institutions (new or

reformed)

**Elections** 

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... October 1994. negotiations on the item: Constitutional reforms and electoral régime.

Signing of agreement.

Electoral commission

No specific mention.

Political parties reform

No specific mention.

**Civil society** 

Page 1, Untitled Preamble

 $\dots$  Reaffirming the role which must be played by the Assembly representing society at

large in discussion of the substantive issues on the agenda,

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3. The moderator, in consultation with the Parties, shall set the specific date of each of the negotiating rounds. Similarly, he shall set, in consultation with the Parties and the President of the Assembly representing society at large, the most appropriate dates for holding special sessions so that the Assembly's recommendations and guidelines

on substantive issues may reach the Parties in good time.

Traditional/ religious leaders

No specific mention.

Public

No specific mention.

administration

Constitution

Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making

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### **Power sharing**

Political power sharing

No specific mention.

Territorial power

No specific mention.

sharing

**Economic power** 

No specific mention.

sharing

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** 

rights

No specific mention.

# **Rights related issues**

Citizenship

No specific mention.

#### **Democracy**

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- ... August 1994. negotiations on the item: Strengthening of civilian power and role of the army in a democratic society.

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5. As basic documents for the negotiations on the substantive issues, the Parties agreed to use, in their original or updated form, the documents entitled "A just and democratic peace: content of the negotiation" published by Unidad Revolucionaria Nacional Guatemalteca in May 1992, and "Peace is not just the absence of war but the creation of all the conditions which enable man to live without anxiety or fear" published by the Government of Guatemala in June 1992. The Parties shall submit their proposals in good time so that the other Party can consider them and so that they can be discussed at the corresponding rounds.

**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**

 $\label{lem:criminal justice and No specific mention.} \textbf{Criminal justice and No specific mention.}$ 

emergency law

**State of emergency** No specific mention.

provisions

**Judiciary and** 

No specific mention.

courts

**Prisons and** 

detention

No specific mention.

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

### **Socio-economic reconstruction**

Development or socio-economic

 $Socio-economic\ reconstruction {\rightarrow} Development\ or\ socio-economic\ reconstruction {\rightarrow} Socio-economic\ reconstruction$ 

economic development

reconstruction Page 1,

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agenda for the negotiations as a guide for the continuation of their work:

... July 1994. negotiations on the item: Socio-economic aspects and agrarian situation.

Signing of agreement.

**National economic** No specific mention.

plan

**Natural resources** No specific mention.

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/ Page 1,

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Signing of agreement.

**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

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

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... September 1994. negotiations on the items: Bases for the reintegration of Unidad Revolucionaria Nacional Guatemalteca in the political life of Guatemala

and agreement on a definitive cease-fire. Signing of three preceding agreements.

**Police** No specific mention.

**Armed forces** 

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DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

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1. To establish the following timetable for discussion of outstanding items on the agenda for the negotiations as a guide for the continuation of their work: ... December 1994. Signing of a firm and lasting peace agreement and start of demobilization.

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**

**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** No specific mention.

### **Implementation**

**UN signatory** "For the United Nations: Marrack GOULDING, Under-Secretary-General; Jean ARNAULT,

Moderator"

Other international No specific mention.

signatory

Referendum for

agreement

No specific mention.

International

mission/force/

similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

3. the moderator to set the specific dates

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agenda for the negotiations as a guide for the continuation of their work:

... November 1994. negotiation on the item: Schedule for the

implementation, enforcement and verification of the agreements. Signing of agreement.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

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peace-agreements-guatemala (Accessed 14 October 2020).