Country/entity	Mozambique
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement of the Definitive Cessation of Military Hostilities
Date	1 Aug 2019
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict
Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Mozambique process - recent
Parties	For Mozambique: Filipe Jacinto Nyusi, President of the Republic of Mozambique For RENAMO: Ossufo Momade, Coordinator of the Political Commission of the Mozambican National Resistance - RENAMO
Third parties	-
Description	This document commits the signatories to cease military hostilities permanently and emphasizes the adoption of dialogue as the primary mechanism for conflict resolution, underpinning the mutual dedication to disarmament, demobilization, and the socio-economic reintegration of combatants. It outlines specific obligations for both parties to prevent acts of violence, ensure the smooth implementation of disarmament and reintegration processes, and introduces structured mechanisms for oversight and verification. Enacted within the broader context of Mozambique's pursuit of socio-economic development and national reconciliation, the agreement reflects a concerted effort to stabilize the nation through principles of democracy and human rights, while also detailing protocols for conflict resolution and safeguarding political figures and civilian populations.

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Groups

Children/youth	Groups→Children/youth→Rhetorical **3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... D. Not to recruit, whether voluntarily or by force, or mobilise personnel of any gender or age for its armed contingent;
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	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical **3.1. Responsibilities of the Government** **The Government undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... D. To facilitate the free return of people possibly displaced by military hostilities;
Social class	No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	**3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... D. Not to recruit, whether voluntarily or by force, or mobilise personnel of any gender or age for its armed contingent;
Men and boys	Gender→Men and boys→Gender neutral wording **3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... D. Not to recruit, whether voluntarily or by force, or mobilise personnel of any gender or age for its armed contingent;
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 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	Power sharing→Military power sharing→Merger of forces **Preamble** ... Aware of the consensus achieved on the agenda regarding the military affairs, which led to the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding that establishes the process of Disarmament, Demobilisation, and Socioeconomic Reintegration (DDR) of the Renamo armed force as well as the incorporation of part thereof in the Mozambique Armed Defence Forces and in the Police of the Republic of Mozambique;

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	**Preamble** ... Guided by the principles of the Democratic State under the Rule of Law and by the respect for Human Rights, the Parties hereby agree in the following terms:
Bill of rights/similar	No specific mention.
Treaty incorporation	No specific mention.
Civil and political rights	Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Torture **3. Responsibilities of Parties** ... G. To refrain from practices of torture or or degrading treatment of members of either Party; Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of movement **3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... E. To facilitate the free transit of people and goods and to refrain from obstructing this right of citizens;
Socio-economic rights	No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship	No specific mention.
Democracy	**Preamble** ... Guided by the principles of the Democratic State under the Rule of Law and by the respect for Human Rights, the Parties hereby agree in the following terms:
Detention procedures	No specific mention.
Media and communication	Rights related issues→Media and communication→Other **3. Responsibilities of Parties** ... E. To refrain from using hostile propaganda, including issuing defamatory statements, untruths or derogatory language against the other Party;
Mobility/access	**3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** ... F. To refrain from blocking or creating checkpoints;

Protection measures	Rights related issues→Protection measures→Protection of civilians **3. Responsibilities of Parties** ... A. To refrain from hostile acts or military attacks against forces, positions or properties of the other Party and of civilian population in general; ... C. Not to harass or take hostage members of the forces of defence and security carrying out missions of security or protection of the civilian population; ... **3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo** **Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:** A. To refrain from violent acts of armed attacks against civilian population and its properties, as well as positions of the Forces of Defence and Security;
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	No specific mention.
National economic plan	No specific mention.
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/ 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

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Preamble

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...

1. Definitive Cessation of Military Hostilities

The Parties declare the definitive cessation of all military hostilities and commit themselves to ensure that all armed groups or institutions under their control scrupulously comply with all the provisions established herein.

2. Scope of Application

The present Accord is applicable in all national territory.

3. Responsibilities of Parties

The parties undertake:

A. To refrain from hostile acts or military attacks against forces, positions or properties of the other Party and of civilian population in general;

B. Not to harass or take hostage members of the other party who are authorised to bear arms;

C. Not to harass or take hostage members of the forces of defence and security carrying out missions of security or protection of the civilian population;

D. To refrain from placing land/water mines or employing firearms, incendiary devices and preventing their removal, deactivation or dismantling;

...

F. Not to practise violent acts of any nature against members of either Party;

G. To refrain from practices of torture or or degrading treatment of members of either Party;

H. Not to practise acts of violence and intimidation in the pursuit of political objectives.

3.1. Responsibilities of the Government

The Government undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

A. To refrain from assuming threatening positions or surrounding Renamo bases which are known by the Military Affairs Commission/GTCDDR during the process of their dismantling under the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs;

B. To notify, within a minimum period of 5 days, of its approach within a radius of 2 km of a Renamo base known by the Military Affairs Commission/GTCDDR, prior to its dismantling;

...

E. To mobilise internal and external resources to facilitate the process of socio-economic Reintegration of armed elements of Renamo displaced under the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs.

3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo

Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

A. To refrain from violent acts of armed attacks against civilian population and its properties, as well as positions of the Forces of Defence and Security;

B. Not to acquire, upgrade or distribute weapons, ammunition or any other war material;

C. To refrain from creating or occupying new positions in the national territory or committing offensive acts;

D. Not to recruit, whether voluntarily or by force, or mobilise personnel of any gender or age for its armed contingent;

E. To facilitate the free transit of people and goods and to refrain from obstructing this right of citizens;

F. To refrain from blocking or creating checkpoints;

Police

Preamble

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...

3. Responsibilities of Parties

...

C. Not to harass or take hostage members of the forces of defence and security carrying out missions of security or protection of the civilian population;

...

3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo

Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

A. To refrain from violent acts of armed attacks against civilian population and its properties, as well as positions of the Forces of Defence and Security;

...

6. Protection Force of the President of Renamo

A. The security of the President, of other Senior Leaders, and of the facilities of Renamo is ensured by a contingent of the Police of the Republic of Mozambique, responsible for the protection of Relevant Individuals and constituted from elements selected under the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs.

B. The quartering, as well as the respective logistical assurance, is the responsibility of the Police of the Republic of Mozambique.

Armed forces

Preamble

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...

3. Responsibilities of Parties

...

C. Not to harass or take hostage members of the forces of defence and security carrying out missions of security or protection of the civilian population;

...

3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo

Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

A. To refrain from violent acts of armed attacks against civilian population and its properties, as well as positions of the Forces of Defence and Security;

DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

3. Responsibilities of Parties

...

D. To refrain from placing land/water mines or employing firearms, incendiary devices and preventing their removal, deactivation or dismantling;

Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes

Preamble

...

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...

3.1. Responsibilities of the Government

The Government undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

A. To refrain from assuming threatening positions or surrounding Renamo bases which are known by the Military Affairs Commission/GTCDDR during the process of their dismantling under the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs;

B. To notify, within a minimum period of 5 days, of its approach within a radius of 2 km of a Renamo base known by the Military Affairs Commission/GTCDDR, prior to its dismantling;

C. To facilitate the transit of Renamo armed personnel which travel to the Accommodation Centers for the purposes of Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration;

...

E. To mobilise internal and external resources to facilitate the process of socio-economic Reintegration of armed elements of Renamo displaced under the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs.

3.2. Responsibilities of Renamo

Renamo undertakes to respect all dispositions of the present Accord, namely:

...

B. Not to acquire, upgrade or distribute weapons, ammunition or any other war material;

C. To refrain from creating or occupying new positions in the national territory or committing offensive acts;

D. Not to recruit, whether voluntarily or by force, or mobilise personnel of any gender or age for its armed contingent;

...

F. To refrain from blocking or creating checkpoints;

G. To complete the process of providing the Military Affairs Commission/Joint Technical Group for Disarmament, Demobilisation, and Reintegration (GTCDDR) with updated, trustworthy, and verifiable information regarding the number, location, organisation and composition of any remaining bases, including personnel, weapons in storage/hides or in the possession of its personnel, explosive devices, mines and other war artefacts, within 10 days of the entry into force of this Accord;

H. To collaborate with the Military Affairs Commission in the pursuit of disarmament and demobilisation of personnel and deactivation of artefacts that eventually have not been completed within the period stipulated in the revised calendar of the memorandum;

I. To notify the other party, at least 5 days in advance, of the passage of its armed elements to the Accommodation Centres within the scope of the DDR;

J. To collaborate with GTCDDR, supported by the International Community, in the conclusion of DDR within the deadlines stipulated in the calendar of the Memorandum of Understanding on Military Affairs;

K. To facilitate the process of dismantling bases and clearing landmines or undetonated

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Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	**Preamble** ... Aware of the consensus achieved on the agenda regarding the military affairs, which led to the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding that establishes the process of Disarmament, Demobilisation, and Socioeconomic Reintegration (DDR) of the Renamo armed force as well as the incorporation of part thereof in the Mozambique Armed Defence Forces and in the Police of the Republic of Mozambique;
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.
