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**Country/entity** Haiti

**Region** Americas

**Agreement name** Consensus National Pour Une Transition Inclusive et des Élections Transparentes

**Date** 21 Dec 2022

**Agreement status** Multiparty signed/agreed

**Interim** Yes

arrangement

### Haitian Political Crisis and Gang Violence (2011 - )

Recent violence can be linked to unrest caused by government removal of fuel subsidies in July 2018. Preceding this, over a decade of breakages in the social contract through a series of interim governments presiding over corruption, human rights abuses, sustained gang violence and lack of public services, set against a series of natural disasters, also shape the present phase of violent political crisis.

Between 2011-2016, corruption and poverty fuelled regular anti-government protests under new President Michel Martelly. A number of politicians and lawyers challenged the validity of a series of constitutional amendments made by congress under Martelly. In 2016, after postponing presidential elections and ruling by decree for over a year, Martelly resigned. Martelly's designated candidate Jovenel Moise won a drawn-out process, with allegations of polling fraud delaying his office until early 2017. Social and political unrest continued, with an increase in gang violence towards citizens, and continued violation of human rights under Moise. Opposition accused government of constraining the judiciary's authority, with US officials also alleging that government officials were collaborating with gangs to suppress political opposition and antigovernment protest, further aggravating social unrest and violence.

Moise also continued to rule by decree and postponed a referendum, with mass protests against his rule taking place in early 2021. On the 7th of July 2021, a group of armed men assassinated the president in his home.

Throughout 2021 there were more natural disasters, and under interim prime minister Ariel Henry, Gangs further established themselves as informal authorities, becoming increasingly autonomous from the political elites they had historically been affiliated with. Coalitions of gangs blockaded Port-au-Prince in October 2021 and again in September 2022, following another year of social unrest caused by government withdrawal of fuel subsidies, as seen in 2018. By October 2023 the UNSC authorised a Kenyan-led multinational security support mission (MSS).

In February 2024, while Henry was in Nairobi a coalition of rival gangs swept through the capital attacking police stations, government buildings and forcing the airport to close. In response, Caribbean Community states, the US and other nations initiated talks, concluding with formation of a Transitional Presidential Council, and Henry resigning.

As of early 2025, a proposed plan for a referendum continues to be delayed due to a lack of functioning electoral bodies, and the secure environment necessary for polling processes. Gangs continue to control much of the capital and key roads, with estimates of over 5,600 killed due to gang violence in 2024, with hundreds more killed going into 2025. Over one million people are estimated to have been displaced by violence as of January 2025.

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Haitian Political Crisis and Gang Violence (2011 -

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**Stage** Framework/substantive - partial

**Conflict nature** Government/territory

**Peace process** Haiti: post-2022 agreements

Parties Haiti signatories

Ariel Henry, Prime minister

**Economic sector** 

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Laurent Saint-Cyr, CCIO

Nathalie Pierre-Louis on behalf of Gerard Laborde, CCIHC

Political sector

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Jules Francesca, CFPNH

Elianne [Delius], STK

Menard Emmanuel, Concertation Politique Pour un Compromis Historique

Desallins Abel, Concertation Politique Pour un Compromis Historique

Valery D. Jacques, Concertation Politique Pour un Compromis Historique

Saint Roc Dominique, Undh CauCus

Fougère Adolphe, O/AHH CauCus

Wesner Surpris PENH (caucus)

Cély Jean Belot, Fòs Gran Nò (CAUCUS)

Aurelius Wisly, MoFHA (CauCus)

Barthelemy Joseph Yves Junior, Parti Federaliste

Sanon Nemrod, Nouvelle Alternative pour la reconciliation de l'arrondissement de Belle-Anse et de Fonds-Verrettes

Thomas Jean Verlin Rosny, Parti Federaliste

Maître Rodol Pierre, Commission Grosam

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Harry Moncoeur, Commission GROSAM

Third parties

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**Description** 

In this agreement, the various political parties and civil society organisations in Haiti resolve to deal with the violent political crisis in the country by means of establishing an interim arrangement for governing the country until elections can be organised and held. As part of this agreement, the Government is expected to heed the decisions of the High Council of Transition regarding the process of making constitutional changes and returning to a state of order. With regard to transparency and good governance, the Government is to follow the assessments of the Organ for the Control of Governmental Actions. Additionally, an independent electoral commission is established. All of these interim institutions are defined in the agreement as not being in subordination to the government and are established with quotas for the representation of women.

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language)

**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

#### **About the Elements of Consensus**

- About the High Council of Transition (HCT)

About the Organ for the Control of Governmental Actions (OCGA)

Article 11 The OCGA is composed of twenty-one (21) members slected among personalities coming from political organisations, socio-professional associations and local community organisations from ten (10) departments and the diaspora.

Its composition must reflect a national and territorial participation as well as a female quota of 30%.

Article 12 The OCGA is managed by a bureau of three (3) members, with at least one female member.

#### **About the Electoral Council and the Elections**

Article 16 A Provisional Electoral Council (PEC) shall be established.

To this end, the Government shall submit to the HCT a provisional list of twenty (20) personalities, coming from representative structures of the Haitian civil society in the homeland as well as in the diaspora.

The HCT, in concertation with the Prime Minister, shall select nine (9) persons, among them at least three (3) women, as members of the PEC.

Men and boys

No specific mention.

**LGBTI** 

No specific mention.

**Family** 

No specific mention.

# **State definition**

# Nature of state (general)

#### **About the Elements of Consensus**

# **About the security**

Article 2 The parties concerned recognise the necessity to consider, as a prerequisite, the question of security of the lives and the property being a sovereign duty of the State.

**State configuration** No specific mention.

**Self determination** No specific mention.

Referendum

No specific mention.

State symbols

Independence/

No specific mention.

secession

Accession/

No specific mention.

unification

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

**Cross-border** 

No specific mention.

provision

# Governance

**Political** reformed)

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→Temporary new institutions **institutions (new or** Whereas they thus agree to establish a political balance and to put in place, in addition to the Government, two (2) institutions being able to overcome the current deficiencies, i.e. a High Council of Transition (HCT) and an Organ for the Control of Governmental Actions (OCGA);

#### **About the Principles for the Transition**

Article 1 The signatories of the National Consensus for an inclusive Transition and transparent Elections agree that the transition process shall be governed by the following political principles:

a) Long-term public interest:

the Transition Government is an interim administration with the task to govern a programme for fundamental reforms of the politics, of the public institutions and of the economy of Haiti.

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- a) the creation of political and social conditions in order to return to a constitutional order through free, credibly and transparent elections;
- b) the promotion of a political dialogue for a participation of the different actors at the management of the State during the transition period;
- c) the creation of the necessary conditions for a return to a climate of security and peace;
- d) the definition, follow-up and evaluation of responses to urgencies of public policies. Article 5 The objective of the HCT is to favour the national dialogue in quest of a consensus on the signposts to be put into place in order to demonstrate the fault line for bad practices, and on the great challenges of the transition period, notably on matters concerning public security, the Constitution and elections, the economic reforms, justice, rule of law, and social and food security.

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- choose the Committee of Experts in charge of the revision of the Constitution;
- coordinate a high-level political dialogue in order to broaden the basis for the consensus between the principal political, social and economic actors of the country, on the basis of a programme of (i) security, (ii) political, constitutional and electoral reforms, (iii) good governance and (iv) economic and social measures;
- cooperate with the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers in order to define a roadmap containing precise steps and timelines, and to execute a strategic action plan for the transition period;
- participate in the reconstitution of the Court of Cassation;
- participate in ministerial changes, changes in the high-level management of the public Administration and reforms of the Haitian diplomacy;
- inspire and ensure the economic reforms, notably on matters concerning State taxes, fiscal and monetary politics;
- make sure the establishment and execution of a global Plan of public security;
- identify and propose reforms in matters concerning human rights and reinforcement of the rule of law; Page 9 of 30
- identify and propose reforms targeting social and food security.

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#### **Elections**

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Whereas it is mandatory for the Prime Minister, Ariel HENRY, to engage in a comprehensive dialogue with open-mindedness, by taking into account all propositions, all agreement protocols and agreements coming from the economic, political and social Sectors, a necessary step in order to give confidence to the actors and citizens with the perspective of the upcoming free and democratic general elections;

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b) Transparency and responsibility:

the parties concerned (i) shall elaborate and publish a joint roadmap with commitments, steps and signposts towards constitutional changes, for free and equitable elections and with a programme for a long-term structural transformation, (ii) shall cooperate in order to guide and support the interim Government in the execution of this roadmap, (iii) and shall follow up and check on its execution through the organs of transition, and with the help of Haiti's impartial international partners;

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f) Engagement and participation of the public:

the transition shall seek to reestablish confidence in Haiti's political and electoral institutions by making sure that the electoral process is open and encourages a new generation of Haitians, whether it be as voters or as candidates, to engage and participate in equitable and credible elections and the long-term revitalisation of the Haitian political system.

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# Electoral commission

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Article 17 The PEC, thus constituted, shall be nominated by the Government with the following tasks:

- a) Organise the public consultation on the revised draft Constitution;
- b) Publish an electoral calendar;
- c) Submit to the Government the draft electoral Decree;
- d) Organise the general Elections;
- e) Control, enjoying strict independence, all the electoral operations until the proclamation of the election results.

# Political parties reform

#### Civil society

### **About the Principles for the Transition**

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d) Political inclusion through dialogue:

during the transition, the process of political dialogue shall be conducted alongside an agenda of national transformation in order to ensure a large representation of the points of view and interests, and in order to promote an environment of constructive cooperation on the questions concerning the Haitians living within the country or abroad.

A high-level political dialogue between the political parties, the civil society and the private sector shall be reinforced through consultation on the community level within the framework of a process of national dialogue;

# Traditional/ religious leaders

# Public administration

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About the Organ for the Control of Governmental Actions (OCGA)

Article 9 An organ is to be created, called "Organ for the Control of Governmental Actions" (OCGA), having the mission to ensure respect for the rules of good management and transparency of public governance.

To this end, the OCAG is an institution capable of facilitating the integration of the representatives of the different sectors of public life into civilian control and into the control of governmental actions in the current context of a dysfunctional government. Article 10 The tasks of the OCGA are as follows:

- Oversee the good functioning of the republican Institutions;

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#### **About the Government**

Article 13 The Government, having at its head the Prime Minister, exercises the Executive Power.

The Prime Minister ensures the application of the decisions by the Government that is led by him.

After ratification of present national Consensus, he evaluates, in concertation with the HCT, the composition of the governmental bodies and proceeds to the necessary changes at the level of the Government and the high-level management of the public administration.

#### Constitution

Governance→Constitution→Constitution affirmation/renewal

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Article 8 The HCT functions, bygits 4 at 1970, as a collegial body.

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addition the UCT deals with the following strategic challenges

# **Power sharing**

# Political power sharing

Power sharing→Political power sharing→Executive coalition

#### **About the Elements of Consensus**

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State level

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State level

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State level

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**Territorial power** 

No specific mention.

sharing

**Economic power** 

No specific mention.

sharing

Military power

No specific mention.

sharing

# **Human rights and equality**

# general

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c) Impartiality and end of impunity:

during the transition, the rules shall be applied to everyone on equal terms whether it be in the public sector or private sector.

The parties concerned shall make every effort to identify, report and sanction disloyal and corruptive practices destroying the public and economic life of Haiti, in order to put an end to a climate of intimidation and impunity that undermines the judicial process of Haiti;

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- identify and propose reforms in matters concerning human rights and reinforcement of the rule of law;

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

**Treaty** incorporation

Civil and political rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Equality

**About the Principles for the Transition** 

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Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of movement

**About the Elements of Consensus** 

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#### **About the security**

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Article 3 Taking into account the current deficiencies of the Haitian security forces, the parties concerned declare themselves favourable to immediate international assistance in matters of security, requested on 9 October 2022 by the Government, in order to assist the National Police of Haiti in the planning of interventions and the execution of operations guaranteeing the freedom of movement of the population and the management of the humanitarian crisis and the insecurity with which the country is confronted.

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** No specific mention.

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** Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Criminal Justice System **emergency law** reform

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the transition shall accord priority to the immediate and important measures with the view to putting an end to the humanitarian sufferings in the poorest communities, reestablishing security and the services, creating employment, removing young people from the grip and attractiveness of the gangs and rendering justice to those who have suffered thereunder.

**State of emergency** No specific mention. **provisions** 

# Judiciary and courts

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#### **About the Court of Cassation**

Article 14 The Government, in concertation with the HCT, nominates the judges of the Court of Cassation after certification by the High Council of Judicial Power (HCJP).

# Prisons and detention

No specific mention.

**Traditional Laws** 

# **Socio-economic reconstruction**

# Development or socio-economic reconstruction

#### **About the Institutional and Economic Reforms**

Article 18 The parties concerned recognise the necessity to carry out institutional and economic reforms during the transition period.

To this end, the Government, in partnership with the HCT, makes an inventory of the human capital, the material and financial resources of the State, and ensures the functioning of the administrative Council and the revision of the organs directing the autonomous Bodies.

Thus, the reforms are carried out for the purpose of:

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e) Guaranteeing the efficiency of the monetary politics;

Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development

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In addition, the HCT deals with the following strategic challenges:

(i) the security, (ii) the political, constitutional and electoral reform, (iii) the good governance and (iv) the social and economic measures.

Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Humanitarian assistance

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A programme of direct and urgent action shall be introduced in the most affected areas and the international commentational comments approached in order to garner investments and supplementary aid;

National economic No specific mention.

plan

**Natural resources** No specific mention.

**International funds** No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

#### **Taxation**

Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Power to tax

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Socio-economic reconstruction→Taxation→Reform of taxation

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Thus, the reforms are carried out for the purpose of:

a) Modernising the income capacities of the State;

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- c) Continuing, in partnership with the private business Sector, the ongoing fiscal reforms:
- d) Elevating public taxes;

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At the same time, the private Sector commits itself to assuming its responsibilities, including, in particular, compliance with its fiscal obligations.

This shall permit a substantive increase of public taxes.

And the Government, for its part, commits itself to the principle of transparency and sound management and shall publish, periodically, the amount of collected taxes and the incurred expenses.

It is agreed that the tax increase shall strengthen the financial capacities of the State.

#### **Banks**

# 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 About the Elements of Consensus

Guarantees

- About the High Council of Transition (HCT)

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Article 6 The HCT, working in partnership with the Government, has the following tasks:

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- make sure the establishment and execution of a global Plan of public security;

**Ceasefire** No specific mention.

Police About the Elements of Consensus

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About the security

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Article 3 Taking into account the current deficiencies of the Haitian security forces, the parties concerned declare themselves favourable to immediate international assistance in matters of security, requested on 9 October 2022 by the Government, in order to assist the National Police of Haiti in the planning of interventions and the execution of operations guaranteeing the freedom of movement of the population and the management of the humanitarian crisis and the insecurity with which the country is confronted.

By the same token, the parties concerned undertake to organise, as soon as the adoption of the present Consensus, a national Forum bringing together the political, economic and social actors.

Said Forum shall allow to build up a National Plan for Security based on the realities of the moment, the Haitian culture, and taking into account the aspects of police intervention as well as the socio-economic component of insecurity.

By doing so, the parties concerned understand to contribute, on the one hand, to the return to a climate favourable to a political, economic, social and cultural life in order to permit the population to go about their everyday activities on the entire national territory and, on the other hand, to a durable consolidation of the peace in order to guarantee the presence of the State and the delivery of the basic services in the deprived areas.

**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

#### Corruption

#### **About the Principles for the Transition**

Article 1 The signatories of the National Consensus for an inclusive Transition and transparent Elections agree that the transition process shall be governed by the following political principles:

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c) Impartiality and end of impunity:

during the transition, the rules shall be applied to everyone on equal terms whether it be in the public sector or private sector.

The parties concerned shall make every effort to identify, report and sanction disloyal and corruptive practices destroying the public and economic life of Haiti, in order to put an end to a climate of intimidation and impunity that undermines the judicial process of Haiti:

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#### **About the Elements of Consensus**

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#### **About the Institutional and Economic Reforms**

Article 18 The parties concerned recognise the necessity to carry out institutional and economic reforms during the transition period.

To this end, the Government, in partnership with the HCT, makes an inventory of the human capital, the material and financial resources of the State, and ensures the functioning of the administrative Council and the revision of the organs directing the autonomous Bodies.

Thus, the reforms are carried out for the purpose of:

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b) Tackling smuggling and arms trafficking;

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- f) Strengthening the control of the terrestrial, maritime and aerial borders of the country; g) Guaranteeing the functioning of the law enforcement bodies against narcotics
- $trafficking, corruption\ and\ money\ laundering.$

# Crime/organised crime

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**Drugs** No specific mention.

**Terrorism** No specific mention.

**Transitional justice** 

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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** No specific mention.

**Other international** No specific mention.

signatory

Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

International mission/force/

No specific mention.

similar

Enforcement

No specific mention.

mechanism

**Related cases** No specific mention.

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