Country/entity	Ecuador Peru
Region	Americas
Agreement name	Declaracion de Itamaraty
Date	17 Feb 1995
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Interstate/interstate conflict

Cenepa War (1995)

This brief conflict was fought between Peru and Ecuador in 1995, over the control of the Canepa valley on Peruvian territory. There had been earlier military confrontations over this area between the two nations, one in 1941 (the Ecuadorian-Peruvian War), resulting in a border treaty later disagreed with by Ecuador, and another brief confrontation in 1981. The war was initiated by Ecuadorian outposts at the Cenepa River that were discovered by a Peruvian patrol. Peru claimed that the existence of these outposts constituted a violation of Peruvian territory and gave Ecuador an ultimatum to withdraw its patrols or they would be dislodged by force. The deadline passed and Peruvian troops were deployed to the area to remove the Ecuadorian posts, followed by a general mobilization by both sides. Heavy air and ground attack were carried out from the end of January until 28 February when a bilateral ceasefire agreement was signed.
In March 1995, the Military Observer Mission to Ecuador and Peru came to Canepa, which was later turned into a demilitarized zone, to supervise the separation of forces. Furthermore, both governments negotiated the final demarcation of the border, resulting in the Rio Protocol, signed 26 October 1998.
Close
Cenepa War (1995)

Stage	Ceasefire/related
Conflict nature	Territory
Peace process	Ecuador-Peru border dispute peace process
Parties	Ecuador, Peru

Third parties	Signatories/witnesses: US, Chile, Argentina, Brazil
Description	The Declaration of Itamaraty of 17 February 1995 consolidated the ceasefire agreement that ended sustained combat between Ecuador and Peru. The Declaration, by which the two parties accepted an observation mission from the guarantor countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile and the United States), called for the total demilitarization of the disputed area. The two parties committed to start negotiations to resolve the border dispute peacefully

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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	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	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	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 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 The whole agreement provides for a ceasefire and its modalities. [Note: the agreement is meant to consolidate an existing ceasefire agreement and provide the terms under which observers will enter the disputed area, and the provisions for withdrawal, demilitarization, demobilization. The agreement is permanent, as it has no expiration date.] [Summary: as part of this agreement, the guarantor countries are to send observers into the disputed area, a process that Ecuador and Peru are to support; both countries' troops are to separate and withdraw; the observers are to suggest that the contested area be demilitarized; demobilization to begin in bordering areas; countries to being a process to find a lasting solution to the conflict.]
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	Page 1, Art. 2: 2. To immediately and simultaneously separate troops belonging to the two countries involved in the confrontations, in order to undermine any risk of hostilities resuming, prioritising troops that are in direct contact. Accordingly, the Ecuadorian forces will gather in Coangos (03o 29' 40.9'' S / 78o 13' 49.67'' W) and the Peruvian forces in PV1 - Guard Post 1 (03o 32' 00'' S/ 78o 17' 49'' W), ensuring that they do not make any military movements in the conflict zone. Given the importance of this commitment, the parties will ensure that the mission of observers finds the conditions to verify its implementation. The separation of the troops will be performed under supervision of the Guarantor Countries. The mission of observers will install operations centres in the areas where there is thought to be the most amount of tension, such as in Tiwintza and the southern base.
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	Additional signatories from the Guarantor Countries: Argentine Republic: Juan Jose Uranga Federal Brazilian Republic: Sebastiao Do Rego Barros Chilean Republic: Fabio Vio Ugarte United States of America: Melvyn Levitsky

Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.
International mission/force/ similar	Page 1, Art. 1: The two parties agree 1. To accept the Guarantor Countries' offer of sending of a mission of observers, in order to ensure the strict implementation of the commitments referred to in paragraphs 2, 3 and 5 of this agreement. The parties request that the mission's period is initially of 90 days, and may be extended, if necessary, in which case the parties and the guarantor countries will make the relevant and timely arrangements. The Guarantor Countries' mission of observers will begin its work upon suspension of military operations. The parties undertake to provide the necessary support and facilities to the mission of observers so it may exercise its functions, and to ensure the physical integrity of its members, which in due time will be the subject of a "definition of procedures" between the parties and the guarantor countries. The parties also undertake to designate immediately the military authorities which will liaison with the mission of observers.
Enforcement mechanism	the two parties accepted an observation mission from the guarantor countries (Argentina, Brazil, Chile and the United States),