

Country/entity	Eritrea Ethiopia
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Technical Arrangements for the Implementation of the OAU Framework Agreement
Date	31 Aug 1999
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes

Agreement/conflict level Interstate/interstate conflict

Eritrean Border Conflicts (1998 - 2018)

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Eritrea - Ethiopia (1998 - 2018)

In 1991, the Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) defeated the communist military junta ('Derg') in Ethiopia and proclaimed independence for Eritrea. At the same time, Derg itself was overthrown by the Ethiopian Peoples' Revolutionary Democratic Forces (EPRDF), which established a transitional government in Ethiopia. Eritrea was granted an independence referendum, which resulted in a 99.8 per cent pro-independence vote. However, border tensions and heavy disputes, in particular on minority rights and economic issues, between EPLF and EPRDF led to new fighting between the two countries in 1998. A mediation by the US administration led to a difficult truce and in 2000 a peace agreement was signed. The agreement established two commission, Border Commission and the Claims Commission. The delimitation ruling of the Border Commission was rejected by Ethiopia. The border continued to be heavily occupied by troops on both sides and border skirmishes continue into 2016. In June 2018, after a series of summits, the state of war was declared over in a Joint Declaration of Peace and Friendship, as Ethiopia finally agreed to honour the ruling of the Border Commission. This followed by a series of steps to improve political, economic and diplomatic ties. Transport and telephone links have been re-established, and borders reopened. In July 2018, the countries have signed the 'Agreement on Peace, Friendship and Comprehensive Cooperation' reiterating their commitment to achieving long-lasting peace in the region.

Sudanese-Eritrean Relations (1994 - 1999)

Eritrea broke diplomatic contact with neighbouring Sudan after accusing the country of attempting to destabilize the Eritrean regime. At the time it was believed that Sudan trained and armed the Eritrean Islamic Jihad Group, which aimed to establish a caliphate in the Horn of Africa. After breaking diplomatic relations, Khartoum accused Eritrea of providing support for armed Sudanese opposition groups. Indeed, Eritrea help a conference for the Sudanese opposition in 1995 in an attempt to unite them. Relations were normalized in 1999. Sudan sent troops to its eastern border (region of Kassala) with Eritrea amid security concerns involving Egyptian troops deployed in Eritrea.

Close

Eritrean Border Conflicts (1998 - 2018)

Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Territory
Peace process	Eritrea-Ethiopia border dispute peace process
Parties	The Government of Ethiopia and The Government of Eritrea

Third parties

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Description

This agreement defines how parties will implement the OAU's Framework Agreements of November 1998 and July 1999. This includes dispositions related to border demarcation process, the cessation of hostilities, the mandate of a peacekeeping mission, the redeployment of armed forces, the restoration of civilian authorities, the establishment of an independent body to investigate the origin of the conflict, as well as various monitoring provisions. It also contains four annexes addressing the following matters: 1) demining activities, 2) redeployment plans, 3) local demilitarisation plans, and 4) implementation planning timeline.

Agreement document

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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	<p>Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive</p> <p>Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:</p> <p>...</p> <p>Following approval of the redeployment plans of the Parties by the peacekeeping mission, the sequence will be as follows:</p> <p>...</p> <p>b. upon verification of Eritrean redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Ethiopia of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;</p> <p>...</p> <p>d. upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Eritrea of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;</p> <p>Page 5, Paragraph 9:</p> <p>In order to enhance the security of local populations in and returning to areas where civilian administration is restored:</p> <p>a. the Parties commit themselves to:</p> <p>...</p> <p>a.2. 1- with prohibitions on displacement and deportation of civilian populations;</p>
Social class	<p>Page 7, Paragraph 14:</p> <p>Consistent with paragraphs 8(a), 8(b) and 10 the Framework Agreement, the Parties commit themselves to addressing all humanitarian concerns resulting from the conflict, particularly the issues of those persons who have been deported or displaced, as well as the socio-economic consequences of the dispute.</p> <p>For their part, and in accordance with the pertinent provisions of the Framework Agreement, the OAU and the United Nations, working closely with the International Community, will endeavour to mobilize resources to assist in addressing such concerns. The Parties agree to refer any specific claim on such issues to an appropriate mechanism of arbitration for binding resolution, should efforts to negotiated settlement or mediation not succeed.</p> <p>If the Parties are unable to agree on the appropriate mechanism of arbitration within a period of three months starting from the signing, the UN Secretary General, in consultation with the OAU Secretary General, will determine the appropriate mechanism of arbitration.</p> <p>No specific mention.</p>

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 Page 7, Paragraph 15:
As the demarcation process is completed in each segment, the legitimate authority will assume full and sovereign jurisdiction over that part of territory which will have been recognized as being within its boundary.

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 Page 1, Untitled Preamble:

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Noting that the present Technical Arrangements have been elaborated on the basis of the letter and spirit of the principles contained in the OAU Framework Agreement and the Modalities, in particular the respect for the borders existing at independence, as stated in Resolution AHG/Res.16(I) adopted by the OAU Summit in Cairo in 1964, the resolution of disputes through peaceful and legal means, in accordance with the principles enshrined in the Charters of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations, and the non use of force to settle disputes;

Page 2-3, Paragraph 3:

3. In order to facilitate the process of redeployment of the Eritrean forces as referred to in paragraph 1 of the Modalities and, thereafter, of Ethiopian forces as referred to in paragraph 2 of the Modalities, and to facilitate the full implementation of paragraph 5 of those Modalities, with a view to returning to positions held prior to 6 May 1998, a Neutral Commission shall be established by the Current Chairman of the OAU, in consultation with the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU. Utilizing whatever information it deems relevant and in consultation with the Parties, the Neutral Commission will determine what those positions were. The Parties agree to cooperate fully with the Neutral Commission. The Neutral Commission will endeavour to complete its work and submit its report to the Current Chairman of the OAU in three weeks.

The determination of the Neutral Commission is binding on the Parties.

The determination of the Neutral Commission shall not prejudice the final status of the territories concerned, it being understood that this status will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation process.

Page 4, Paragraph 6:

Upon the signing of the Framework Agreement the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, both Parties will conduct demining activities with a view to creating the conditions necessary for the deployment of the peacekeeping mission, the return of civilian administration and the return of population as well as the delimitation and demarcation of the common border (see Annex I)

Page 4, Paragraph 8:

The process of redeployment and restoration of civilian administration will then begin, it being understood that this process shall not prejudice the final status of the territories concerned, which will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation process.

Page 6, Paragraph 10:

In order to determine the origins of the conflict, an investigation will be carried out of the incidents of May 6, 1998 and of any other incident prior to that date which could have contributed to a misunderstanding between the Parties regarding their common border, including the incidents of July/August 1997. The investigation will be carried out by an independent, impartial body appointed in accordance with the appended (Annex IV) time- line by the Current Chairman of the OAU, in consultation with the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU.

The independent body will endeavour to submit its report to the Current Chairman of the OAU within 3 to 6 months.

The Parties agree to cooperate fully with the independent body and accept its determination.

Page 6, Paragraph 11:

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The Parties agree that the delimitation work on the ground will commence segment by segment, beginning with areas of redeployment, moving to other contested areas and

Cross-border provision	No specific mention.
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Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)	No specific mention.
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Elections	No specific mention.
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Electoral commission	No specific mention.
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Political parties reform	No specific mention.
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Civil society	No specific mention.
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Traditional/religious leaders	No specific mention.
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**Public
administration**

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The peacekeeping mission in conjunction with the United Nations Mine Action Service, will assist the Parties' demining efforts by providing technical advice and coordination. The Parties shall, as necessary, seek additional demining assistance from the peacekeeping mission.

Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:

The process of redeployment and restoration of civilian administration will then begin, it being understood that this process shall not prejudice the final status of the territories concerned, which will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation process.

Following approval of the redeployment plans of the Parties by the peacekeeping mission, the sequence will be as follows:

...

b. upon verification of Eritrean redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Ethiopia of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

...

d. upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Eritrea of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

Page 5, Paragraph 9:

In order to enhance the security of local populations in and returning to areas where civilian administration is restored:

a. the Parties commit themselves to:

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a.2- close cooperation between the restored civilian administration and the international civilian component of the peacekeeping mission which will observe compliance by the restored civilian administrations.

Page 12-13, ANNEX IV TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGMENTS OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING TIME-LINE):

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- D+71: Restoration of civilian administration by Ethiopia completed.

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- D+85:

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Restoration of civilian administration by Eritrea commences.

- D+92: Restoration of civilian administration by Eritrea completed.

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 Page 5, Paragraph 9:
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a. the Parties commit themselves to:
...
a.2- close cooperation between the restored civilian administration and the international civilian component of the peacekeeping mission which will observe compliance by the restored civilian administrations.
...
a.2.2- with facilitation of human rights monitoring

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

**Treaty
incorporation**

Page 1, Untitled Preamble:

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Noting that the present Technical Arrangements have been elaborated on the basis of the letter and spirit of the principles contained in the OAU Framework Agreement and the Modalities, in particular the respect for the borders existing at independence, as stated in Resolution AHG/Res.16(I) adopted by the OAU Summit in Cairo in 1964, the resolution of disputes through peaceful and legal means, in accordance with the principles enshrined in the Charters of the Organization of African Unity and the United Nations, and the non use of force to settle disputes;

Page 2, Paragraph 2:

In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.

In particular the Parties agree to the following:

...

e. respect for international humanitarian law.

Page 6, Paragraph 11:

The Parties agree that the delimitation work on the ground will commence segment by segment, beginning with areas of redeployment, moving to other contested areas and, finally, to the remaining common border.

...

The delimitation and demarcation process will be done on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law.

Page 6-7, Paragraph 13:

Delimitation and demarcation will be conducted by the UN Cartographic Unit, supported by other Experts the Unit may employ.

In line with Article 6(a) of the Framework Agreement, Delimitation/demarcation will be carried out expeditiously and completed within 6 months, unless extended by the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General at the request of the Cartographic Experts.

Should the need arise for arbitration over delimitation, a Boundary Commission shall be established by the United Nations Secretary General in consultation with the OAU Current Chairman. The Commission shall decide such issues as expeditiously as possible and on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law.

The Parties agree to accept the outcome of the arbitration as binding.

**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	<p>Page 2, Paragraph 2:</p> <p>In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.</p> <p>In particular the Parties agree to the following:</p> <p>...</p> <p>c. guarantee of the free movement of the peacekeeping mission and its supplies as required through and between the territories of the Parties;</p>
Protection measures	<p>Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other</p> <p>Page 2, Paragraph 2:</p> <p>In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.</p> <p>In particular the Parties agree to the following:</p> <p>d. respect and protection of the members of the peacekeeping mission, its installations and equipment;</p>
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 Guarantees

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Page 4, Paragraph 6:

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The peacekeeping mission in conjunction with the United Nations Mine Action Service, will assist the Parties' demining efforts by providing technical advice and coordination. The Parties shall, as necessary, seek additional demining assistance from the peacekeeping mission.

Page 5, Paragraph 9:

In order to enhance the security of local populations in and returning to areas where civilian administration is restored:

...

b. the peacekeeping mission will.

...

b.2- establish, as necessary, local liaison and grievance resolution mechanisms, ensuring access by the local population to those mechanisms.

Page 9, ANNEX I TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (Demining Activities):

Demining activities include submission of the following to the peacekeeping mission:

- maps detailing dimension and exact location of all minefields,
- exact composition by type of mines and number of mines for each minefield;
- plan for clearing of all minefields;
- plan for marking minefields;
- plan for disposal of cleared mines,
- any other information needed for verification.

Peacekeeping mission will observe, verify and assist if necessary all demining activities.

Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Page 2, Paragraph 2:

In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.

In particular the Parties agree to the following:

- a. cessation of all armed air and land attacks;
- b. cessation of any other action that may impede the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and the Technical Arrangements;
- c. guarantee of the free movement of the peacekeeping mission and its supplies as required through and between the territories of the Parties;
- d. respect and protection of the members of the peacekeeping mission, its installations and equipment;
- e. respect for international humanitarian law.

Page 11, ANNEX III TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (Local Demilitarization Plans):

...

The Parties should agree to suspend any type of military flights in the vicinity of demilitarization area during the period of demilitarization.

Page 12-13, ANNEX IV TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING TIME-LINE):

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- D+2: Cessation of hostilities as provided for in paragraph 2 of the Technical Arrangements.

Police

Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:

...

Following approval of the redeployment plans of the Parties by the peacekeeping mission, the sequence will be as follows:

...

b. upon verification of Eritrean redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Ethiopia of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

...

d. upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Eritrea of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

Page 5, Article 9:

In order to enhance the security of local populations in and returning to areas where civilian administration is restored:

a. the Parties commit themselves to:

...

b. the peacekeeping mission will.

b.1- observe and assist if requested and as appropriate, police in areas where civilian administration is restored;

Armed forces

Page 2, Paragraph 2:

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In particular the Parties agree to the following:

a. cessation of all armed air and land attacks;

Page 2-3, Paragraph 3:

3. In order to facilitate the process of redeployment of the Eritrean forces as referred to in paragraph 1 of the Modalities and, thereafter, of Ethiopian forces as referred to in paragraph 2 of the Modalities, and to facilitate the full implementation of paragraph 5 of those Modalities, with a view to returning to positions held prior to 6 May 1998, a Neutral Commission shall be established by the Current Chairman of the OAU, in consultation with the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU. Utilizing whatever information it deems relevant and in consultation with the Parties, the Neutral Commission will determine what those positions were. The Parties agree to cooperate fully with the Neutral Commission.

Page 3-4, Paragraph 5:

In line with Article 9 (a) of the Framework Agreement and in order to facilitate the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements, a follow-up Commission (for political aspects) and a Military Coordination Commission (for military aspects) will be established by and under the authority of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General.

The Parties will each appoint a senior representative to the follow-up Commission. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary General will appoint a UN senior representative as Chairman. Decisions will be made by the Chairman of the follow-up Commission in consultation with the Parties.

The Parties will each appoint a senior military representative to the Military Coordination Commission. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary General will appoint a UN senior Military representative as Chairman. Decisions will be made by the Chairman of the Military Coordination Commission in consultation with the Parties. In fulfilling their mandate, the Follow-up Commission and the Military Coordination Commission will coordinate and resolve issues pertaining to the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements.

Page 4, Paragraph 7:

The Parties will submit detailed redeployment plans to the peacekeeping mission within 5 days of receipt of the determination of the Neutral Commission (see paragraph 3 above and Annex II).

Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:

...

Following approval of the redeployment plans of the Parties by the peacekeeping mission, the sequence will be as follows:

a. Eritrea re-deploys its troops within 2 weeks. This redeployment is verified by the peacekeeping mission;

b. upon verification of Eritrean redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Ethiopia of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

c. as soon as paragraphs 8a and 8b above are completed, Ethiopia re-deploys its troops

DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

Page 6, Paragraph 12:

the Parties agree to demilitarize in those areas as may be required by the peacekeeping mission in order to defuse tension and facilitate the delimitation and demarcation process (see Annex III).

Page 11, ANNEX III TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (Local Demilitarization Plans):
Local demilitarization plans will include:

- current location of each unit to demilitarize;
- size and composition of each unit;
- exact route each unit will utilize to demilitarize;
- exact location each demilitarizing unit will move to; - estimated closure time of each demilitarizing unit;
- demilitarizing units are not authorized to deviate from the plan nor can they move their new location unless coordinated with the peacekeeping mission;
- any other information needed to complete verification.

The Parties agree that demilitarization will be completed within 7 days after the demilitarization plans are approved by the peacekeeping mission.

Deployment to original positions will commence upon the determination of the peacekeeping mission.

The Parties should agree to suspend any type of military flights in the vicinity of demilitarization area during the period of demilitarization

The Parties agree that the peacekeeping mission will observe and verify demilitarization.

**Intelligence
services**

No specific mention.

**Parastatal/rebel
and opposition
group forces**

Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:

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...

d. upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Eritrea of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

Page 5, Paragraph 9:

In order to enhance the security of local populations in and returning to areas where civilian administration is restored:

a. the Parties commit themselves to:

...

a.2- close cooperation between the restored civilian administration and the international civilian component of the peacekeeping mission which will observe compliance by the restored civilian administrations.

...

a.2.3- with prohibitions of display of weapons by militia in populated areas where civilian administration is restored;

Withdrawal of foreign forces

Page 2, Paragraph 2:

In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.

In particular the Parties agree to the following:

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Page 4-5, Paragraph 8:

The process of redeployment and restoration of civilian administration will then begin, it being understood that this process shall not prejudice the final status of the territories concerned, which will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation process.

Following approval of the redeployment plans of the Parties by the peacekeeping mission, the sequence will be as follows:

- a. Eritrea re-deploys its troops within 2 weeks. This redeployment is verified by the peacekeeping mission;
- b. upon verification of Eritrean redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Ethiopia of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;
- c. as soon as paragraphs 8a and 8b above are completed, Ethiopia re-deploys its troops within 2 weeks. This redeployment is verified by the peacekeeping mission;
- d. upon verification of Ethiopian redeployment by the peacekeeping mission, the peacekeeping mission observes and assists the restoration by Eritrea of the civilian administration, including police and local militia, within 7 days to enable the restored civilian administration to prepare for the return of the population;

Page 6, Paragraph 11:

The Parties agree that the delimitation work on the ground will commence segment by segment, beginning with areas of redeployment, moving to other contested areas and, finally, to the remaining common border.

Upon the acceptance by the Parties of the delimitation of each segment, the binding demarcation of that segment will be carried out. Such signed acceptance shall be given to the UN Cartographic Unit within one week, unless arbitration is requested by either Party (see paragraph 13 below).

The delimitation and demarcation process will be done on the basis of pertinent colonial treaties and applicable international law.

Page 10, ANNEX II TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (Redeployment Plans):

Redeployment plans will include:

- current location of each unit to redeploy;
- size and composition of each unit;
- exact route each unit will utilize to redeploy,
- exact location each redeploying unit will redeploy to;
- start time of redeployment for each redeploying unit;
- estimated closure time for each redeploying unit;

Redeploying units are not authorized to deviate from the plan nor can they move from

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 Page 6, Paragraph 10:
 In order to determine the origins of the conflict, an investigation will be carried out of the incidents of May 6, 1998 and of any other incident prior to that date which could have contributed to a misunderstanding between the Parties regarding their common border, including the incidents of July/August 1997. The investigation will be carried out by an independent, impartial body appointed in accordance with the appended (Annex IV) time- line by the Current Chairman of the OAU, in consultation with the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU.
 The independent body will endeavour to submit its report to the Current Chairman of the OAU within 3 to 6 months.
 The Parties agree to cooperate fully with the independent body and accept its determination.

Page 12-13, ANNEX IV TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGMENTS OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING TIME-LINE):

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- D+92:

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Establishment of an independent body to investigate the origins of the conflict.

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**

Page 2, Paragraph 1:

...

The Parties will initiate separate requests to the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU as necessary for assistance to implement the Framework for Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements.

Page 2, Paragraph 2:

In order to facilitate the process of implementing the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, including the work of the Commission which will be charged with determining the redeployment positions (referred to as the Neutral Commission in paragraph 3) and the establishment of a peacekeeping mission, the Parties agree to put an end to all military activities and all forms of expression likely to sustain and exacerbate the climate of hostility.

In particular the Parties agree to the following:

...

- c. guarantee of the free movement of the peacekeeping mission and its supplies as required through and between the territories of the Parties;
- d. respect and protection of the members of the peacekeeping mission, its installations and equipment;
- e. respect for international humanitarian law.

Page 2-3, Paragraph 3:

3. In order to facilitate the process of redeployment of the Eritrean forces as referred to in paragraph 1 of the Modalities and, thereafter, of Ethiopian forces as referred to in paragraph 2 of the Modalities, and to facilitate the full implementation of paragraph 5 of those Modalities, with a view to returning to positions held prior to 6 May 1998, a Neutral Commission shall be established by the Current Chairman of the OAU, in consultation with the Secretaries General of the United Nations and the OAU. Utilizing whatever information it deems relevant and in consultation with the Parties, the Neutral Commission will determine what those positions were. The Parties agree to cooperate fully with the Neutral Commission. The Neutral Commission will endeavour to complete its work and submit its report to the Current Chairman of the OAU in three weeks.

The determination of the Neutral Commission is binding on the Parties.

The determination of the Neutral Commission shall not prejudice the final status of the territories concerned, it being understood that this status will be determined at the end of the delimitation and demarcation process.

Page 3, Paragraph 4:

4. In order to monitor and assist with the implementation of the Framework Agreement, the Modalities and the Technical Arrangements, and verify compliance with the implementation of the Technical Arrangements, it is understood that a peacekeeping mission will be established under the authority of the United Nations Security Council and led by a Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General will liaise and work closely with the representative of the OAU Secretary-General. The deployment of the UN peacekeeping mission will be preceded by the deployment by the OAU, with the support of the United Nations, of liaison officers/observers. These liaison officers/observers will subsequently become members of the UN peacekeeping mission. The Parties will be consulted, as appropriate, throughout the establishment process.

Page 3-4, Paragraph 5:

In line with Article 9 (a) of the Framework Agreement and in order to facilitate the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements, a follow-up Commission (for political aspects) and a Military Coordination Commission (for military aspects) will be established by and under the authority of the Special

Enforcement mechanism

Page 3-4, Paragraph 5:

In line with Article 9 (a) of the Framework Agreement and in order to facilitate the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements, a follow-up Commission (for political aspects) and a Military Coordination Commission (for military aspects) will be established by and under the authority of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General.

The Parties will each appoint a senior representative to the follow-up Commission. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary General will appoint a UN senior representative as Chairman. Decisions will be made by the Chairman of the follow-up Commission in consultation with the Parties.

The Parties will each appoint a senior military representative to the Military Coordination Commission. The Special Representative of the UN Secretary General will appoint a UN senior Military representative as Chairman. Decisions will be made by the Chairman of the Military Coordination Commission in consultation with the Parties. In fulfilling their mandate, the Follow-up Commission and the Military Coordination Commission will coordinate and resolve issues pertaining to the implementation of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements.

Page 5, Paragraph 9:

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b. peacekeeping mission will establish,

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b.2.-as necessary, local liaison and grievance resolution mechanisms, ensuring access by the local population to those mechanisms. The Parties agree to refer any specific claim on such issues to an appropriate mechanism of arbitration for binding resolution, should efforts to negotiate settlement or mediation not succeed.

If the Parties are unable to agree on the appropriate mechanism of arbitration within a period of three months starting from the signing, the UN Secretary General, in consultation with the OAU Secretary General, will determine the appropriate mechanism of arbitration.

Page 7, Paragraph 17:

The OAU and the United Nations will be the guarantors for the scrupulous implementation of all the provisions of the OAU Framework Agreement, the Modalities for the Implementation of the Framework Agreement and the Technical Arrangements for the Implementation of the Framework Agreement and its Modalities.

Page 12-13, ANNEX IV TO THE TECHNICAL ARRANGMENTS OF THE OAU FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT AND ITS MODALITIES (IMPLEMENTATION PLANNING TIME-LINE):

- D-Day: Signing of the Framework Agreement, Modalities and Technical Arrangements.
- D+2: Cessation of hostilities as provided for in paragraph 2 of the Technical Arrangements.

- D+3: Neutral Commission established.

Intention of demining activities by the parties.

- D+4: Parties forward requests to the UN Security General.

- D+5: Commencement of the work of the UN Cartographic Unit.

- D+10: Appointment of OAU Representatives

- D+14: Deployment by the OAU, with support of the United Nations, of liaison officers/observers

The Neutral Commission begins its work on the ground.

- D+25: Establishment of the Follow-up Commission and the Military Coordination Commission.

Appointment of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General

Parties designate chief representatives to the Follow-up Commission and Military Coordination Commission (one from each party for each of the Commissions)

Related cases No specific mention.

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