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| <b>Country/entity</b>           | Ukraine   |
| <b>Region</b>                   | Europe and Eurasia  |
| <b>Agreement name</b>           | On Peaceful Settlement of Situation in the Eastern Regions of Ukraine |
| <b>Date</b>                     | 20 Jun 2014   |
| <b>Agreement status</b>         | Unilateral document   |
| <b>Interim arrangement</b>      | Yes   |
| <b>Agreement/conflict level</b> | Intrastate/intrastate conflict  |

#### Ukrainian Revolution and War in Donbass (2014 - )

In November 2013, protestors in Ukraine took to Maidan Nezalezhnosti in Kiev to protest to protest against the government of Viktor Yanukovych in favour of European integration. Protests eventually led to the 2014 Ukrainian Revolution or the 'Revolution of Dignity', where Yanukovych was ousted. Pro-Russian protests were also held across several regions of the Ukraine, and following the removal of Yanukovych, Russia annexed the Crimean peninsula in February 2014. International outcry led to Russia's suspension from the G8 and other international sanctions including condemnation from the United Nations. Spurred on by Russia's annexation of the Crimea and the subsequent referendum, pro-Russian militants began agitating for a similar outcome in March. However, by April, militants launched a separatist insurgency in the Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts spurring a Ukrainian counter-attack and the resulting War in Donbass. Since then, Russian troops have remained active in the warzone, although their presence is denied by the Russian government. In September 2014 "Minsk Protocol" was signed under the auspices of OSCE and "Minsk II" in February 2015, both failing to halt fighting completely in the region. Recently, in October 2019 Ukraine, Russia, the DPR and LPR, and the OSCE signed an agreement based on "the Steinmeier formula" originally proposed in 2016 by Germany's then foreign minister – simplified version of the Minsk agreements to help parties agree on the sequence of events outlined in the agreements i.e. free fair elections in the east and grant of special status to the Donetsk and Luhansk regions. This deal was Russia's key pre-condition for a summit of the leaders of Ukraine, Russia, France and Germany – the Normandy format. At the end of the month Ukrainian troops and Russian backed separatists have begun withdrawing from key front-line areas in eastern Ukraine under OSCE supervision.

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Ukrainian Revolution and War in Donbass (2014 - )

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| <b>Stage</b>           | Pre-negotiation/process |
| <b>Conflict nature</b> | Government/territory    |
| <b>Peace process</b>   | Ukraine peace process   |

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| <b>Parties</b>       | Government of Ukraine (unilateral)  |
| <b>Third parties</b> | -   |
| <b>Description</b>   | Unilateral ceasefire declaration by Government of Ukraine under defined terms, aimed at creating conditions for the staged implementation of the Peace plan being discussed within the framework of Trilateral Contact Group. |

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| <b>Agreement document</b> | <a href="#">UA_140607_Peaceful_Settlement-Situation-Eastern-Ukraine.pdf (opens in new tab)</a>   <a href="#">Download PDF</a> |
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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.

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## Gender

**Women, girls and gender** No specific mention.

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

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**State definition**

**Nature of state (general)** Page 1, In the inaugural speech on June 7, 2014, President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko stressed that he was assuming the office in order to preserve the sovereignty, territorial integrity and national unity of Ukraine, to ensure the sustainable peace and to guarantee security for all citizens.

**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.

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## Governance

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| <b>Political institutions (new or reformed)</b> | Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references<br>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 9. Renewal of work of the local authorities.   |
| <b>Elections</b>                                | Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>11. Decentralization of powers (through direct elections of local executive committees; protection of the Russian language; draft amendments to the Constitution).<br><br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 12. Before the system of elections of local authorities is introduced and takes effect, agreeing on the candidatures for the posts of governors with representatives of the region (if there is no agreed position on the nominees, the decision is made by the President of Ukraine).<br><br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 13. Early local and parliamentary elections. |
| <b>Electoral commission</b>                     | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Political parties reform</b>                 | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Civil society</b>                            | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Traditional/religious leaders</b>            | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Public administration</b>                    | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Constitution</b>                             | Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making<br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>11. Decentralization of powers (through direct elections of local executive committees; protection of the Russian language; draft amendments to the Constitution).   |

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## **Power sharing**

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| <b>Political power sharing</b>   | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Territorial power sharing</b> | Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government<br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>11. Decentralization of powers (through direct elections of local executive committees; protection of the Russian language; draft amendments to the Constitution). |
| <b>Economic power sharing</b>    | No specific mention.  |
| <b>Military power sharing</b>    | Power sharing→Military power sharing→Proportionality<br>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 7. Establishment of joint patrolling units in the structure of the Ministry of Interior.  |

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## **Human rights and equality**

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| <b>Human rights/RoL general</b>   | No specific mention. |
| <b>Bill of rights/similar</b>     | No specific mention. |
| <b>Treaty incorporation</b>       | No specific mention. |
| <b>Civil and political rights</b> | No specific mention. |
| <b>Socio-economic rights</b>      | No specific mention. |

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## **Rights related issues**

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| <b>Citizenship</b>             | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Democracy</b>               | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Detention procedures</b>    | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Media and communication</b> | Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles<br>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 10. Renewal of central TV and radio broadcasting in the region. |
| <b>Mobility/access</b>         | [Summary] Unilateral plan allows for a corridor of retreat for Russian and Ukrainian Mercenaries.  |

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| <b>Protection measures</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Other</b> | No specific mention. |
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**Rights institutions**

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| <b>NHRI</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Regional or international human rights institutions</b> | No specific mention. |
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**Justice sector reform**

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| <b>Criminal justice and emergency law</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>State of emergency provisions</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Judiciary and courts</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Prisons and detention</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Traditional Laws</b> | No specific mention. |
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**Socio-economic reconstruction**

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| <b>Development or socio-economic reconstruction</b> | Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development<br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 14. Programme for creation of new jobs in the region.<br>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Infrastructure and reconstruction<br>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br>... 15. Restoration of industrial and social infrastructure. |
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| <b>National economic plan</b> | No specific mention. |
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| <b>Natural resources</b> | No specific mention. |
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**International funds** No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

**Banks** No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Property return and restitution  
Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:  
... 8. Vacation of illegally seized official buildings in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

**Pastoralist/  
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

**Cultural heritage** Land, property and environment→Cultural heritage→Intangible  
Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:  
11. Decentralization of powers (through direct elections of local executive committees;  
protection of the Russian language; draft amendments to the Constitution).

**Environment** No specific mention.

**Water or riparian  
rights or access** No specific mention.

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## **Security sector**

**Security  
Guarantees** Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:  
1. Security guarantees to all members of negotiations.

**Ceasefire** Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments  
Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:  
... According to the agreed common vision, the Plan will go through several consecutive  
stages of implementation.  
The first stage will cover the cessation of use of force for a short limited period of time by  
the forces of Counter-terrorism operation and the illegally armed groups. The forces of  
Counter-terrorism operation will resume activities only in case of armed violence.  
Within this period, the wide range of issues covering the cessation of use of force and the  
launch of peaceful settlement process will be discussed.

**Police** No specific mention.

**Armed forces** No specific mention.

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| <b>DDR</b>  | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Intelligence services</b>                        | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces</b> | <p>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br/>... 6. Disarmament of illegally armed groups.</p> <p>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br/>... According to the agreed common vision, the Plan will go through several consecutive stages of implementation.<br/>The first stage will cover the cessation of use of force for a short limited period of time by the forces of Counter-terrorism operation and the illegally armed groups. The forces of Counter-terrorism operation will resume activities only in case of armed violence.<br/>Within this period, the wide range of issues covering the cessation of use of force and the launch of peaceful settlement process will be discussed.</p> |
| <b>Withdrawal of foreign forces</b>                 | <p>Page 1, - establishment of the controlled corridor for retreat of Russian mercenaries;</p> <p>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br/>... 4. Setting up the 10 km buffer zone at the Ukrainian-Russian border and the withdrawal of illegal troops and heavy weaponry.</p> <p>Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br/>... 5. Guaranteed corridor for retreat of Russian and Ukrainian mercenaries.</p>  |
| <b>Corruption</b>                                   | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Crime/organised crime</b>                        | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Drugs</b>  | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Terrorism</b>                                    | <p>Page 1, President Poroshenko's plan of peaceful settlement of situation in the Eastern regions of Ukraine lies on three pillars;<br/>- release from criminal responsibility for those, who surrendered weapons, did not commit grave crimes against Ukrainian military and civilians and was not involved in illegal activities of financing terrorism;</p> <p>Page 2, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:<br/>... The first stage will cover the cessation of use of force for a short limited period of time by the forces of Counter-terrorism operation and the illegally armed groups. The forces of Counter-terrorism operation will resume activities only in case of armed violence.</p>   |

## **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice general** No specific mention.

**Amnesty/pardon** Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper  
Page 1, President Poroshenko's plan of peaceful settlement of situation in the Eastern regions of Ukraine lies on three pillars:  
release from criminal responsibility for those, who surrendered weapons, did not commit grave crimes against Ukrainian military and civilians and was not involved in illegal activities of financing terrorism;  
  
Page 1, Later on, the above Plan has been elaborated in details that foresees:  
... 2. Release from criminal responsibility for those, who surrendered weapons and did not commit grave crimes.

**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** Page 1, - launch of inclusive dialogue with peaceful citizens.

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## **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.

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| <b>Enforcement mechanism</b> | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Related cases</b>         | No specific mention.   |
| <b>Source</b>                | UN Peacemaker; <a href="http://peacemaker.un.org/">http://peacemaker.un.org/</a> ; <a href="http://peacemaker.un.org/ukraine-unilateral-ceasefire14">http://peacemaker.un.org/ukraine-unilateral-ceasefire14</a> |

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