Country/entity	Philippines Mindanao
Region	Asia and Pacific
Agreement name	Joint Statement (Joint Meeting of the GRP and MILF Technical Working Groups on Resources)
Date	7 Feb 2006
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes

Agreement/conflict level Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Philippine Insurgencies (1968 -)

The Maoist Insurgencies (1968 -)

Philippines-NDF

The Philippines have been defined by a series of center-periphery and often ideologically Maoist, separatist insurgencies. The Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP), began its war against the central Philippine government in 1968 through their armed wing – the New People's Army (NPA). Further legitimacy was gained through the establishment of the National Democratic Front (NDF) in 1973. Grievances were predominantly opposed to the corruption and repression under the authoritarian Marcos regime.

Philippines-Cordillera

With the overthrow of Marcos' regime in 1986, the CPP factionalized further to take on more localized characteristics. The Cordillera Peoples Liberation Army (CPLA) broke away from the NDF in 1986 to focus on the protection of the Cordilleran people and land in northern Luzon. Hostilities were formally ended in July 2011, with an agreement signed between the central government, the CPLA and the Cordillera Bodong Administration (CBA) that allowed for the absorption of CPLA fighters into the Philippine Army and the re-working of the CBA-CPLA into a socio-development organisation.

Philippines-RPM-P

Meanwhile, purge among the CPP in the early 1990s, encouraged the formation of a parallel party, the Revolutionary Workers Party (RPM-P). Their armed wing, the Alex Boncayao Brigade (ABB) which had carried out a number of assassinations during the 1980s at the bequest of the CPP, followed suit and allied themselves with the RPM-P in 1997 forming the (RPM-P-RPA-ABB). Severely weakened by the split with the CPP and with the arrest of several key figures, the RPM-P-RPA-ABB signed a peace agreement in December 2000, which encouraged the RPM-P's branch in Mindanao to break away in 2001.

The CPP-NPA has only participated in intermittent talks with the government. Talks halted in 2004 when Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's administration sought closer ties with the U.S. in the war on terror and added the CPP-NPA to the list of terrorist organisations, renewing violence. Following the launch of a counter-insurgency by the Philippine government, negotiations have been further delayed due to suspected internal differences between the CPP 'old guard' and younger members.

The Moro Insurgency (1968 -)

Philippines-Mindanao

The Moro Insurgency began in 1968, in Mindanao and the Sulu archipelago after the killing of Moro Commandos, the so-called Jabidah Massacre, by the Philippine Army following a plot to invade Sabah province in Malaysia. The Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) captured a swath of territory in the mid-1970s. In an attempt to stem the violence, the constitution was reformed and Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) was created 1990 granting a devolution of power to the provinces of Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi. Following the establishment of the ARMM, the MNLF splintered into a range of smaller groups including Islamic factions such as the

Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Philippines - Mindanao process
Parties	ASec. Natanog M. Mapandi, GRP Technical Working Group on Resources Chairman; Dep. Exec. Dir. Ali B. Sangki, GRP Technical Working Group on Resources; Datu Al S. Saliling, GRP Technical Working Group on Resources; Datu Antonio P. Kinoc, MILF Technical Working Group on Resources Chairman; Amor B. Pendaliday, MILF Technical Working Group on Resources; Sultan Lilwalug B. Dimapunung MILF Technical Working Group on Resources
Third parties	-
Description	Agreement informing the Joint Meeting of the GRP and MILF Technical Working Groups (TWGs) on the Resources Strand, in which the Parties reviewed and agreed on items Nos. 1, 3, and 4 of the Consensus Point on Resources, that item No. 5 will be re-stated to include reparations to the legitimate grievances of the Bangsamoro People arising from their marginalization and dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, as well as the continuation of policies, rules and guidelines, prior agreements, proclamations and issuances relating to natural resources and the environment unless otherwise decided by the Bangsamoro Juridical entity.

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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	Groups→Indigenous people→Rhetorical Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. Whenever restoration is no longer possible, the GRP shall take effective measures or adequate reparation collectively beneficial to the Bangsamoro people, in such quality, quantity and status to be determined mutually by both Parties." Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 3) That item No. 2 of the Consensus Point on resources (or Paragraph 3 of the MILF Position Paper) shall read as follows: " All proclamations, issuances, policies, rules and guidelines declaring old growth or natural forest and all watershed within the Bangsamoro homeland as forests reserves shall continue to remain in force until otherwise modified, revised or superseded by subsequent policies, rules and regulations issued by the competent Bangsmaoro authority or juridical entity. [...]"
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/displaced persons	Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Substantive Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. Whenever restoration is no longer possible, the GRP shall take effective measures or adequate reparation collectively beneficial to the Bangsamoro people, in such quality, quantity and status to be determined mutually by both Parties."
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	Power sharing→Economic power sharing→Sharing of resources Pg. 2, I. Taxation, A. Taxing Powers 3. Revenues from the additional taxes beyond those already devolved to the ARMM and the Bangsamoro share in revenues derived from exploration, development and utilization of natural resources will be deducted from the amount comprising the annual block grant. This is without prejudice to the just share of the Bangsamoro's constituent local government units in the national taxes. These deductions shall be suspended for four years from the full operation of the Bangsamoro. Power sharing→Economic power sharing→Fiscal federalism Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 3) That item No. 2 of the Consensus Point on resources (or Paragraph 3 of the MILF Position Paper) shall read as follows: " All proclamations, issuances, policies, rules and guidelines declaring old growth or natural forest and all watershed within the Bangsamoro homeland as forests reserves shall continue to remain in force until otherwise modified, revised or superseded by subsequent policies, rules and regulations issued by the competent Bangsmaoro authority or juridical entity. Forest concessions, timer licenses, contracts or agreements, mining concessions, mineral production and sharing agreements, industrial Forest Management Agreements (IFMA), and other tenurial instruments of any kind or nature whatsoever granted by the Philippine Government including those issued by the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) shall continue to operate from the date of formal entrenchment of the Bangsamoro Juridical entity unless otherwise expired, reviewed, modified, and/or cancelled by the latter."
Military power sharing	No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general	Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. Whenever restoration is no longer possible, the GRP shall take effective measures or adequate reparation collectively beneficial to the Bangsamoro people, in such quality, quantity and status to be determined mutually by both Parties.""
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	Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. [...]"

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction

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

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National economic plan

No specific mention.

Natural resources

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International funds

No specific mention.

Business

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Taxation

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Banks

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Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights

Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Other land rights
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Pastoralist/ nomadism rights

No specific mention.

Cultural heritage

No specific mention.

Environment

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Water or riparian rights or access

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Security sector

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
Ceasefire	No specific mention.
Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 3) That item No. 2 of the Consensus Point on resources (or Paragraph 3 of the MILF Position Paper) shall read as follows: "All proclamations, issuances, policies, rules and guidelines declaring old growth or natural forest and all watershed within the Bangsamoro homeland as forests reserves shall continue to remain in force until otherwise modified, revised or superseded by subsequent policies, rules and regulations issued by the competent Bangsmaoro authority or juridical entity. [...]"
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
Amnesty/pardon	No specific mention.

Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	No specific mention.
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. Whenever restoration is no longer possible, the GRP shall take effective measures or adequate reparation collectively beneficial to the Bangsamoro people, in such quality, quantity and status to be determined mutually by both Parties."
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations Page 1, The Technical Working Groups of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) on the Resources Strand on the Ancestral Domain Aspect of the Tripoli Agreement of Peace of 2001 agreed on the following: 2) That item No 5 of the Consensus Points on Resources (or Paragraph 6 of the MILF Position Paper shall be restated as follows "The legitimate grievances of the Bangsmaoro people arising from any unjust dispossession of their territorial and proprietary rights, customary land tenures, or their marginalization shall be acknowledged. Whenever restoration is no longer possible, the GRP shall take effective measures or adequate reparation collectively beneficial to the Bangsamoro people, in such quality, quantity and status to be determined mutually by both Parties."
Reconciliation	No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory	No specific mention.
Other international signatory	No specific mention.
Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.

International mission/force/ similar	No specific mention.
Enforcement mechanism	No specific mention.
