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Country/entity Bosnia and Herzegovina

Yugoslavia (former)

Region Europe and Eurasia

Agreement name Protocol (Ilidza Ceasefire)

Date 23 Apr 1992

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001)

Former Yugoslavia

The disintegration of former Yugoslavia post cold war saw conflicts which became mediated and produced peace agreements in Slovenia (where the brief independence conflict was mediated by the EC Troika in 1991), Croatia (between Croatian and Serb populations 1991-1995), in Bosnia (between Croatian, Serb and Bosniak populations 1992-1995), in Macedonia (where mediation played a key pre-emptive role in preventing large scale conflict in 2001), in Kosovo (between Kosovar Albanians and Serbian population and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY), but also between FRY and NATO, 1998-1999), and a conflict in the Presevo Valley (between Albanians in South Serbia and FRY, 2000-2001). The continued fall-out of the disintegration of former Yugoslavia also saw mediated agreement and ultimate dissolution of the Union between Serbia and Montenegro.

Bosnia-Herzegovina

In 1991, after nationalist parties won the first multi-party elections in the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, a violent process of disintegration commenced. With its mixed population, Bosnia-Herzegovina became the centre of the following civil war that began in 1992 between the newly formed army of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina (mostly Muslim Bosniacs), and the parastatal forces of self-declared Bosnian Croat (Herzeg-Bosnia) and Bosnian Serb (Republika Srpska) entities within Bosnia-Herzegovina, supported by Croatia and Serbia, with various, often short-lived, coalitions. The General Framework Agreement (Dayton Peace Agreement), signed in 1995, split the country into two ethno-federal entities, the Bosniak-Croat Federation and the Republika Srpska, and included continued peacekeeping and institutional administration by international actors.

Kosovo

The conflict between Serbs and Kosovar Albanians has a long history and always involved territorial disputes as well as ethno-political, cultural and linguistic factors. The most recent phase of the conflict began in November 1997 when the Albanian Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA or UCK) began their campaign for the independence of Kosovo from the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY – then Serbia and Montenegro). The subsequent war lasted until the NATO intervention, which undertook bombing campaigns of Belgrade and other places in Serbia during spring 1999. The main agreements solving the conflict were internationally driven and, finally, a UNSC resolution imposed a post-conflict arrangement in the wake of what was essentially a NATO military victory. In February 2008, Kosovo's parliament declared independence, but independence is still internationally disputed.

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Balkan Conflicts (1991 - 1995) (1998 - 2001)

Stage Ceasefire/related

Conflict nature Government/territory

Peace process Bosnia peace process

Parties SDS Representative, Nedjeljko PRSTOJEVIC; SDA Representative, [Sefer] HALILOVIC

Third parties European Community representative, T.W. MICHELS

Description This short ceasefire agreement guarantees that there will be no military operations until 2400 hours on 24 April 1992.

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Local agreement properties

Process type Isolated example

Rationale Although there was an existing, formal peace process at the national level, this

agreement appears to have been brokered on an ad-hoc basis to respond to an outbreak

of localised violence in a previously peaceful part of the city.

Is there a Yes documented link to a national peace process?

Link to national

rationale

Although the agreement text itself does not mention the national process, an account by process: articulated an ECMM monitor Colm Doyle suggests that the EC were concerned that the fighting risked derailing the national ceasefire agreement the European Community were trying to reach, due to Lord Carrington's imminent arrival via the airport - which was next to the

area where the outbreak of fighting was taking place.

Name of Locale Ilidza

Nature of Locale Smaller

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 43.827023, 18.304901

Participant type Local armed group

International or transnational actor

Mediator, facilitator Mediator or similar referred to or similar

Mediator (references) Agreement signed by T.W. Michels on behalf of the European Community, who is believed to be an ECMM monitor according to secondary sources. Secondary reports describe the

ECMM as the organisation who arranged the meeting.

Type of mediator/

International or transnational actor

facilitator/similar

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and

No specific mention.

process (including use of scripture)

Grievance List

No specific mention.

Cattle rustling/

banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover

No specific mention.