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Country/entity Bosnia and Herzegovina

Yugoslavia (former)

Region Europe and Eurasia

Agreement name Agreement on the disarmament of the able-bodied population in the Zepa enclave

Date 24 Jul 1995

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/local conflict

level

Stage Ceasefire/related

Conflict nature Government/territory

Peace process Bosnia Local peace processes

Parties Rajko KUSIC; Hamdija TORLAK

Third parties UNPROFOR representative Semjon DUDNJIK

Certified by Colonel General Ratko MLADIC

Description This surrender agreement provides for the forcible removal of the civilian population

from the former UN safe area of Zepa, and the holding of civilians until military prisoners

are released, all to be facillitated by the ICRC, UNPROFOR, UNHCR and other humanitarian organisations, in accordance with the Geneva Conventions.

Agreement document

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Local agreement properties

Process type Isolated example

Rationale Although similar agreements had been signed as other safe areas had been captured (for

example, the agreement between Rupert Smith and Ratko Mladic), there is no publically-available evidence which suggests that agreements had been reached between these parties before, or in relation to Zepa. Eyewitness accounts suggest that this agreement

was reached independently of a formal process.

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

Link to national rationale

There is no stated link to the national peace process in the agreement. However, witness process: articulated accounts submitted to the ICTY suggest that this agreement was reached independently of concurrent attempts being made by high ranking UN staff to reach an agreement on demilitarising Zepa to prevent it being overrun, and the points made in the agreement contradict proposals made by national-level actors to resolve the crisis. Therefore the link to the national process is that this agreement was made in contradiction of central attempts to reach an agreement on the area and issue.

Name of Locale Zepa

Nature of Locale Smaller

GPS Lat/Long (DD) 43.953946, 19.132594

Participant type International or transnational actor

Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations

Other

Mediator, facilitator No mention of mediator or similar or similar

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including No specific mention.

use of scripture)

Grievance List No specific mention.

Cattle rustling/

banditry

No specific mention.

Social cover No specific mention.