Country/entity	Burundi
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Contract of peaceful cohabitation (neighbourhood Teza ii of Kamenge), Burundi
Date	30 Jun 2004
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict
Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Inter-group
Peace process	Burundi: Local Process
Parties	Approved by 150 people living in the neighbourhood of Teza II, representing all segments of the population. On behalf of the inhabitants of Teza II, the Committee elected: [Name & Signature] The representative of young people living in Kamenge : [Name & Signature] The representative of young people displaced: [Name & Signature] The representative men living in Kamenge: [Name & Signature] The representative of internally displaced men: [Name & Signature] The representative of women living in Kamenge: [Name & Signature] The representative of displaced women: [Name & Signature]
Third parties	Bishop Dacillia Joseph, alias Buyengero
Description	The Hutu and Tutsi in the neighbourhood of Teza II agree not to kill or persecute members of each others' communities, and agree to reconcile and live in peace.

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Local agreement properties

Process type	Formal structured process
Rationale	The agreement is one of multiple 'social contracts' resulting from community dialogue and negotiation processes facilitated by the Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development (ACORD) and partner organisations (Collectif des Associations de Kamenge, CADEKA, in the case of this agreement) in Rango, Rugombo, Kamenge and Buhiga communes in Burundi.
Is there a documented link to a national peace process?	No
Link to national process: articulated rationale	Neither the agreement text nor limited background research suggests a link to the national-level peace process.
Name of Locale	Kamenge, neighbourhood Teza II
Nature of Locale	Smaller
GPS Lat/Long (DD)	-3.344477, 29.390128
Participant type	Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder Local community/civilian group(s)/civil society organisations
Mediator, facilitator or similar	Mediator or similar referred to
Mediator (references)	Facilitators: Agency for Co-operation and Research in Development (ACORD); Collectif des Associations de Kamenge (CADEKA) Convenor: Bishop Dacillia Joseph, alias Buyengero
Type of mediator/ facilitator/similar	Domestic religious organisation/leader or other elder Local community/civilian group(s)/ civil society organisations

Local issues

Ritual/prayer and process (including use of scripture)	No specific mention.
Grievance List	Page 1, We, the inhabitants of Kamenge, neighbourhood Teza II, the Hutu and Tutsi, displaced persons, returnees and receiving communities living in the neighbourhood: - Considering that Burundi has just spent more than ten years in war - While the war has largely destroyed Kamenge, where the Tutsi were driven from their homes, and thereafter the Hutu have been driven off their homes, and where populations have been victims of looting, killings, rape and many other crimes that were committed in time of war. We affirm that: - Our life together here in the neighbourhood of Teza II has been largely destroyed by people from outside, be it by the politicians, the military or other wrongdoers - During the war, the Tutsi have left their households and have become refugees, driven away particularly by fear - The Hutu were also expelled and persecuted with such gravity that some have found themselves with the Tutsi in camps for displaced or elsewhere. As the saying goes in Kirundi: “Nta mwonga ubura isato iba idahizwe” (there is no blood without thorns). Wrongdoers especially among young people have committed crimes to those who are not of their ethnic group, have persecuted them, looted their property and even killed. Page 2, All of us Hutu and Tutsi, aware that some very serious crimes have been committed by the people of our neighbourhood themselves, from now on refrain from pointing the finger of blame to avoid the risk of going back to conflict
Cattle rustling/ banditry	No specific mention.
Social cover	No specific mention.