

<b>Country/entity</b>	Myanmar
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	Joint Monitoring Committee guideline for Each Level (Draft)
<b>Date</b>	15 Oct 2015
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

### Myanmar Conflict (1948 - )

Internal conflict, mostly along ethno-political fault lines, has been a constant feature of Myanmar since its independence in 1948. The conflict has two distinct dynamics. First a struggle between an authoritarian government and a pro-democracy opposition which has the characteristics of authoritarian conflicts; and second a struggle between the government and ethnic armed groups which has the characteristics of an identity conflict. The two oldest and strongest militias fighting the government are the Karen National Union (KNU), which has remained active since the late 1940s, and the Kachin Independence Organisation, which was formed in the early 1960s. In total, there are more than a dozen mostly ethnic-based guerrilla groups active throughout the country. Especially in the period of junta dictatorship that lasted until 2011 the government attempted to crush the rebellions, which led to numerous human rights violations. With the start of democratic reforms in the aftermath of the 2010 elections, peace negotiations have taken place and resulted in the signing of various agreements, although conflicts remain active.

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<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Myanmar ceasefires process with ethnic armed groups
<b>Parties</b>	Armed Ethnic Organisations, Myanmar Government.
<b>Third parties</b>	-
<b>Description</b>	Agreement establishes a Joint Monitoring Commission on the Union, State and Local levels, consisting of representatives from both the government and Armed Ethnic Organisations, in addition to civilians. Agreement outlines structure, protocol and jurisdiction of JMCs.

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**Women, girls and gender**

<b>Participation</b>	<p>Participation→Effective participation</p> <p>Page 4, Chapter 4, State Level Joint Ceasefire Monitoring Committee (JMC-S) Formation 34. The JMC-S shall be formed by the JMC-U as the following:</p> <p>... (E) Both parties shall do their best to include the participation of women in the JMC-S.</p> <p>Page 7, Chapter 5, Local Level Joint Ceasefire Monitoring Committee (JMC-L) Formation 59. The JMC-L shall be formed as below to assist the JMC-S.</p> <p>... (E) Both parties shall do their best to include women in the JMC-L.</p>
<b>Equality</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Particular groups of women</b>	No specific mention.
<b>International law</b>	No specific mention.
<b>New institutions</b>	<p>New institutions→Other</p> <p>Page 4, Chapter 4, State Level Joint Ceasefire Monitoring Committee (JMC-S) Formation 34. The JMC-S shall be formed by the JMC-U as the following:</p> <p>... (E) Both parties shall do their best to include the participation of women in the JMC-S.</p> <p>Page 7, Chapter 5, Local Level Joint Ceasefire Monitoring Committee (JMC-L) Formation 59. The JMC-L shall be formed as below to assist the JMC-S.</p> <p>... (E) Both parties shall do their best to include women in the JMC-L.</p>
<b>Violence against women</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Transitional justice</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Institutional reform</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Development</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Implementation</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Other</b>	No specific mention.

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