

Country/entity	Lesotho
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	The Electoral Pledge
Date	11 Dec 2014
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Lesotho Crisis (1998)

After Lesotho became independent in 1966, the Basotho National Party (BNP) established a one-party-system that lasted for almost three decades. After being beaten in elections in 1998, street protests against the new government were initialized; paving the way for a coup attempt by a faction of the national army. The conflict escalated when South African and Botswanan troops intervened in support of the elected government and although the revolt was effectively dampened by the end of the year, the political situation has remained fragile since.

Close

Lesotho Crisis (1998)

Stage	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Lesotho process

Parties	<p>the Government of Lesotho and the Interim Political Authority (IPA) including the following parties;</p> <p>All Basotho Convention [Signed]</p> <p>ACFD/BAENA [Not Signed]</p> <p>Basotho Congress Party [Signed]</p> <p>All Democratic Cooperation [Signed]</p> <p>African Unity Movement [Signed]</p> <p>Basotho Batho Democratic Party [Signed]</p> <p>Basotho Democratic National Party [Signed]</p> <p>Basotho National Party [Signed]</p> <p>Basotho National African Congress [Signed]</p> <p>Democratic Congress [Signed]</p> <p>Lesotho Congress for Democracy [Signed]</p> <p>Lekhotla la Meetlo [Not Signed]</p> <p>Lesotho People's Congress [Signed]</p> <p>Lesotho Workers Party [Signed]</p> <p>Marematlou Freedom Party [Signed]</p> <p>National Independent Party [Signed]</p> <p>Progressive Democrats [Not Signed]</p> <p>Popular Front for Democracy [Signed]</p> <p>Sankatana Party [Not Signed]</p> <p>Whitehorse Party [Not Signed]</p>
Third parties	<p>ENDORSED BY:</p> <p>SADC Facilitator, Deputy President of South Africa, H. E. Cyril Ramaphosa [Signed]</p> <p>SADC Mission to Lesotho (SOMILES) Head of Mission, Mr. Fannie Phakola [Signed]</p> <p>Witnessed by:</p> <p>College of Chiefs [Not signed]</p> <p>Lesotho Council of NGOs [Signed]</p> <p>Christian Council of Lesotho [Signed]</p>
Description	-
Agreement document	LS_150200_Signed Electoral Pledge.pdf (opens in new tab) Download PDF
Women, girls and gender	
Participation	No specific mention.
Equality	<p>Equality→Equality (general)</p> <p>Page 5, PART THREE</p> <p>21. Undertake to repeatedly and publicly condemn violence, and to:</p> <p>... 21.7 Abstain from discrimination on grounds of race, sex, ethnicity, class, gender or religion in the election campaign, and</p>

Particular groups of women No specific mention.

International law No specific mention.

New institutions No specific mention.

Violence against women No specific mention.

Transitional justice No specific mention.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development No specific mention.

Implementation No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.
