Country/entity	Cote d'Ivoire
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Linas-Marcoussis Agreement
Date	23 Jan 2003
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Ivorian Civil War (2002 - 2011)

The Ivorian civil war broke out in 2002 over the disqualification of Alassane Ouattara from the predominantly Muslim north for the presidential elections due to his missing “Ivoirity”. This concept, politically enforced by nationalist forces around President Laurent Ggagbo in the South of the country and in the capital Abidjan, demanded that both parents of a presidential candidate had to be born in Cote D’Ivoire. Despite several agreements and French military involvement the fighting continued until 2005, when a South African mediation attempt – and the qualification of the national football squad for the World Cup in 2006 – helped to end the fighting. The situation remained unstable even with a UN peacekeeping force in place. Renewed fighting broke out after the presidential elections in 2010 where Ouattara was allowed to run, but he lost the elections under unclear circumstances and perceptions of fraud. Finally, Ggagbo was arrested in April 2011 by French-backed forces supporting Ouattara.
Close
Ivorian Civil War (2002 - 2011)

Stage	Framework/substantive - comprehensive
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	Cote D'Ivoire: peace process

Parties	For the FPI- Pascal AFFI NÄGUESSAN For the MFA- Innocent KOBENA ANAKY For the MJP- Gaspard DELI For the MPCI- Guillaume SORO For the MPIGO- Félix DOH For the PDCI-RDA- Henri KONAN BEDIE For the PIT- Francis WODIE For the RDR- Alassane Dramane OUATTARA For the UDCY Théodore MEL EG For the UDCPI- Paul AKOTO YAO
Third parties	The Chairman: Piere MAZEAUD UN, AU & ECOWAS facilitators [not signatories]
Description	This agreement is the outcome of a roundtable of Ivorian political forces and international third parties. Issues covered include governance structures and measures for addressing citizenship, elections, land tenure, media, DDR, and economic recovery.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation	Participation→Citizenship Page 5, Annex, Programme of the Government of National Reconciliation, I. Citizenship, identity, status of foreign nationals ... 3.b. submit, on an exceptional basis and within six months, a naturalization bill aimed at settling in a simple and accessible manner the cases of those persons deemed ineligible and considered to be in the country illegally (in particular cases concerning persons formerly covered by Articles 17 to 23 of Law 61-415 as repealed by Law 72-852 and persons residing in Cote d'lvoire prior to 7 August 1960 who did not exercise their option within the prescribed deadline), and supplement the existing text by including in new Article 12 foreign men married to Ivorian women.
Equality	No specific mention.
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.