

**Country/entity** Cote d'Ivoire

**Region** Africa (excl MENA)

**Agreement name** UN Security Council Resolution 1721

**Date** 1 Nov 2006

**Agreement status** Unilateral document

**Interim arrangement** Yes

**Agreement/conflict level** Interstate/intrastate conflict(s)

### 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 Gbagbo 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, Gbagbo was arrested in April 2011 by French-backed forces supporting Ouattara.

Close

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**Stage** Implementation/renegotiation

**Conflict nature** Government

**Peace process** Cote D'Ivoire: peace process

**Parties** United Nations Security Council

**Third parties** -

**Description** This UN Security Council Resolution deals with a number of issues relating to the implementation of previous agreements and the extension/renewal of various mandates relating to the international presence in Côte d'Ivoire. Issues covered include DDR, elections, citizenship registration, security sector reform, the establishment of an implementation timetable and monitoring mechanisms.

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**Women, girls and gender**

**Participation** No specific mention.

**Equality** No specific mention.

**Particular groups of women** No specific mention.

**International law** International law→References to UNSC 1325 itself  
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**New institutions** New institutions→Infrastructure (general)  
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**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.

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