

Country/entity	Angola
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Peace Accords for Angola, Lisbon ('Bicesse Accords')
Date	31/05/1991
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	No
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Angolan Civil War (1975 - 2002))
Stage	Framework/substantive - partial (Other)
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	4: Angola: UNITA process
Parties	President of the People's Republic of Angola; President of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola;
Third parties	Portugal (mediator), US, USSR (observers) [apparently not signatories]
Description	<p>Agreement constitutes four related agreements. First, the head agreement for the various Bicesse Accords. This agreement sets out the parties, and the various sub agreements that constitute the Bicesse Accords, but does not itself contain any substantive provisions. This agreement accepts as binding the following documents, which constitute the Peace Accords for Angola;</p> <p>(a) The cease-fire agreement (including annexes I and II thereto) [see attachment I];</p> <p>(b) Fundamental principles for the establishment of peace in Angola (including the annex thereto regarding the Joint Political-Military Commission) [see attachment II];</p> <p>(c) Concepts for resolving the issues still pending between the Government of the People's Republic of Angola and UNITA [see attachment III];</p> <p>(d) The Protocol of Estoril [see attachment IV].</p>

Agreement document [AO_910508_Head_of_Document \(Bicesse_Accords\).pdf](#) []

Groups

Children/youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

State definition No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Constitution's affirmation/renewal No specific mention.

Constitutional reform/making No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL No specific mention.

Equality No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Human rights framework No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

NHRI No specific mention.

**Regional or international
human rights institutions** No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Citizenship No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

**Criminal justice and
emergency law** No specific mention.

**State of emergency
provisions** No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees No specific mention.

Ceasefire [Ceasefire provision](#)

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Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
Amnesty/pardon	No specific mention.
Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	No specific mention.
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	No specific mention.
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar Page 1, Annex, Letter dated 8 May 1991 from the Minister for External relations of Angola to the Secretary-General
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Enforcement mechanism CEASEFIRE AGMT, II.3. provides for release of all civilian and military prisoners, to be verified by the ICRC. Requests the UN to stay in Angola until elections take place.

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