

Country/entity	Somalia
Region	Africa (excl MENA)
Agreement name	Agreement between the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia (TFG) and the Alliance for the Re-Liberation of Somalia (ARS) (Djibouti Agreement)
Date	18/08/2008
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	No
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Somali Civil War (1991 -))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process (Confidence building measure)
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	87: Somalia Peace Process
Parties	The Transitional Federal Government (TFG) of Somalia and the Alliance for Re liberation of Somalia (ARS)
Third parties	UN
Description	A short agreement confirming the integration of the Alliance for Re liberation of Somalia (ARS) (formerly a wing of the Islamic Courts Union) into the Transition Federal Government. Agreement provides for a ceasefire, UN monitoring, and political cooperation between the two parties.

Agreement document [SO_080818_Djibouti Agreement.pdf](#) []

Groups

Children/youth	<p>Rhetorical</p> <p>Page 1, 4. The Parties noted that:</p> <p>a. Over the past eighteen years, Somalia has suffered massive human losses, insecurity and vast destruction of its physical infrastructure and other vital public investments. A whole generation of young people and adults has been sacrificed or denied education and development;</p>
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	<p>Rhetorical</p> <p>Page 1, 4. The Parties noted that:</p> <p>a. Over the past eighteen years, Somalia has suffered massive human losses, insecurity and vast destruction of its physical infrastructure and other vital public investments. A whole generation of young people and adults has been sacrificed or denied education and development;</p>
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 [Nature of state \(general\)](#)

Page 1, 5. Decided to: a. Reaffirm the dignity, sovereignty and the territorial integrity of Somalia;

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 Page 2, Art. 8. To ensure the effective implementation of this Agreement, the Parties agree to:
a. Undertake all necessary measures to ensure unhindered humanitarian access and assistance to affected populations;

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 Page 1, Art. 3 The primary requirement of this Agreement is to: ensure the cessation of all armed confrontation and a political settlement for a durable peace; promote a peaceful environment; avoid a security vacuum; facilitate the protection of the population and the unhindered delivery of humanitarian assistance and call for the convening of a reconstruction and development conference.

Page 1, Art. 4b, The human and humanitarian situation is continuously deteriorating. At the same time, the country's international image and standing have been seriously undermined;

Equality No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Protection measures [Protection of civilians](#)

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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 Page 2, Art. 8. To ensure the effective implementation of this Agreement, the Parties agree to:
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Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication [Media roles](#)

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 [Socio-economic development](#)
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National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds Page 3, Art. 11, The Parties call on the international community to help provide the adequate resources for the implementation and follow-up of this Agreement.

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	Page 1, Art. 3 The primary requirement of this Agreement is to: ensure the cessation of all armed confrontation and a political settlement for a durable peace; promote a peaceful environment; avoid a security vacuum;
Ceasefire	<p>Ceasefire provision</p> <p>Page 1, Art. 3. The primary requirement of this Agreement is to: ensure the cessation of all armed confrontation and a political settlement for a durable peace;</p> <p>Page 2, Art. 6. Agreed on:</p> <p>a. The termination of all acts of armed confrontation by the Alliance for the Re liberation of Somalia (ARS) and its allies and by the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) and its allies;</p> <p>b. The cessation of armed confrontation shall come into force thirty (30) days from the signing of this agreement throughout the national territory;</p> <p>c. The cessation of armed confrontation is approved for an initial period of ninety (90) days, renewable.</p>
Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	Page 2, Art. 7, c. The ARS shall, through a solemn public statement, cease and condemn all acts of armed violence in Somalia and dissociate itself from any armed groups or individuals that do not adhere to the terms of this Agreement.
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 Page 1, Art. 2, The Parties gave their respective analyses of the 18 year old crisis and made proposals aimed at restoring trust, confidence and at ending the conflict.

Implementation

UN signatory Signed by UN Representative.

**Other international
signatory** France, UK, African Union, League of Arab States, EU, OIC, Djibouti, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,

**Referendum for
agreement** No specific mention.

**International
mission/force/similar** Page 2, 7. The Parties agreed from the date of coming into effect of this Agreement:
a. To request the United Nations, consistent with UN Security Council Resolution 1814 and within a period of one hundred and twenty days (120) days, to authorize and deploy an international stabilization force from countries that are friends of Somalia excluding neighboring states;

Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Art. 8, c. Establish a Joint Security Committee to follow up the implementation of security arrangements within fifteen (15) days of the signing of this Agreement. The composition and mandate of this Committee, chaired by the UN, shall be adopted within the same period.

Art. 9, A High Level Committee, chaired by the UN, should be established within fifteen (15) days of the signing of this Agreement to follow up on issues relating to the political cooperation between the Parties and concerns over justice and reconciliation. These issues will be discussed at a conference to be organized by 30 July 2008.