Country/entity: Philippines
Mindanao

Region: Asia and Pacific

Agreement name: The Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro

Date: 27/03/2014

Agreement status: Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim arrangement: No

Agreement/conflict level: Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Philippine Insurgencies (1968 - )

Stage: Implementation/renegotiation (Implementation modalities)

Conflict nature: Government/territory

Peace process: 90: Philippines - Mindanao process

Parties: For the GPH: Miriam Coronel Ferrer, GPH Panel Chairperson, Senen C. Bacani, Panel Member, Yasmin Busran-Lao, Panel Member, Mehol K. Sadain, Panel Member, Zenonida Brosas, Panel Consultant; For the MILF: Mohagher Iqbal, MILF Panel Chairperson, Datu Michael Mastura, Panel Member, Maulana "Bobby" Alonto, Panel Member, Abhould Syed Lingga, Panel Member, Abdulla Camlian, Panel Member


Description: The Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro underlines the overall peace process between the GPH and the MILF. The Parties acknowledge the various roles of the international community and civil society that provided support throughout the process, list the integral agreements of the process, and provide principles of implementation that will be pursued for the agreements. Previous agreements (see 'Other agreements section) constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement but are coded as separate agreements.

Agreement document: PH_140327_CAB.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: Rhetorical
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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

Nature of state (general)

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Self determination

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Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)

Temporary new institutions

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8. Annex on Transitional Arrangements and Modalities signed on 27 February 2013 in Kuala Lumpur,
Malaysia

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Constitution’s affirmation/renewal
No specific mention.

Constitutional reform/making
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Elections
No specific mention.

Electoral commission
No specific mention.

Political parties reform
No specific mention.

Civil society
Page 3, Acknowledgement
The Parties express their gratitude to the very important role of:
2. The International Contact group composed of [...] The International Contact Group composed of Japan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, they United Kingdom, Center for Humanitarian Dialogue, Community of San’Egidio, Conciliation Resources, Muhammadiyah, and the Asia Foundation

Page 3, Acknowledgement
The Parties express their gratitude to the very important role of:
3. Members of IMT, namely, Brunei, Indonesia, Japan, Libya, Norway and the European Union; and its Civilian Protection Component composed of the Mindanao Human Rights Action Center, Mindanao People’s Caucus, Moslem Organization of Government Officials and Professionals, and Nonviolent Peaceforce

Page 3, Acknowledgement
The Parties express their gratitude to the very important role of:
5. The Third Party Monitoring Team chaired by an eminent person from EU, with members from The Asia Foundation and the Turkish Humanitarian Relief Foundation, and two leaders of local civil society organizations

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[...] The Parties also thank the international community and local and national civil society organizations for the steadfast support that they have extended to the peace process in their different capacities.

Page 4, Principles of Implementation
Both parties pledge to continue to conduct multisectoral dialogues and consultations, take into account the concerns of the stakeholders, generate broad-based support, and ensure wide participation in the various mechanisms and processes that shall be instituted.

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## Power sharing

### Political power sharing
**State level**
Summary: Implements previous agreements, notably Annex on Power Sharing (23 December 2013).

### Territorial power sharing
**Autonomous regions**
Summary: The agreement incorporates earlier agreements which provide in detail for Autonomy for Bangsamoro, see below.
people and their aspiration to chart their political future through a democratic process that will secure their identity and posterity and allow for meaningful self-governance.

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6. GPH-MILF Decision Point on Principles as of April 2012 signed on 24 April 2012 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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7. Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro initialed on 12 October 2012 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia and signed on 15 October 2012 in Manila, Philippines

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8. Annex on Transitional Arrangements and Modalities signed on 27 February 2013 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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10. Annex on Power Sharing signed on 8 December 2013 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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12. Addendum on the Bangsamoro Waters and Zones of Joint Cooperation signed on 25 January 2014 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Page 2, The Agreements - [...] Supplementary to the CAB are the various agreements, guidelines, terms of reference, and joint statements duly signed and acknowledged by the Parties in the course of the negotiations between the two Parties beginning in 1997. The Parties commit to honor, respect, and implement all these past agreements and supplementary documents signed by them and as further elaborate in the Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro and its Annexes.
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Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

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**Protection measures**  
No specific mention.

**Human rights framework**  
No specific mention.

**Civil and political rights**  
Thought, opinion, conscience and religion

Page 4, Principles of Implementation
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**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**

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**Land, property and environment**

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**Water or riparian rights or access**

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Security sector

**Security Guarantees**

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**Ceasefire**

**General commitments**

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1. Agreement for the General Cessation of Hostilities signed on 18 July 1997 in Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines

Page 2, The Agreements - The following agreements between the Parties appended hereto constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement:

2. General Framework on Intent between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front signed on 27 August 1998 in Sultan Kudarat, Maguindanao, Philippines

Page 2, The Agreements - The following agreements between the Parties appended hereto constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement:

3. Agreement on the General Framework on the Resumption of Peace Talks signed on 24 March 2001 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Page 2, The Agreements - The following agreements between the Parties appended hereto constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement:

4. Agreement on Peace between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front signed on 22 June 2001 in Tripoli, Libya

Page 2, The Agreements - The following agreements between the Parties appended hereto constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement:

5. Declaration on Continuity for Peace Negotiations between the Government of the Republic of the
Philippines and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front signed on 3 June 2010 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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Police Page 2, The Agreements - The following agreements between the Parties appended hereto constitute integral parts of this Comprehensive Agreement:

Page 3, Acknowledgement
The Parties express their gratitude to the very important role of:
6. The Independent Commission on Policing composed of international experts from Canada, Australia, Japan and local experts selected by the Parties.

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 Page 1, Untitled Introduction
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**Implementation**

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