

AGREEMENT ON THE DEMILITARIZATION OF SREBRENICA AND ZEPA
CONCLUDED BETWEEN LT GEN RATKO MLADIC AND GEN SEFER HALILOVIC
ON 8 MAY 1993

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IN THE PRESENCE OF LT GEN PHILIPPE MORILLON

Contracting Parties,

LT Gen Ratko Mladic

and

Gen Sefer Halilovic

Reconfirming their will to establish peace within the territory of Bosnia and Hercegovina as stated in the agreement between contracting parties concluded on 8 May 1993;

Reconfirming resolution 824 of the Security Council in which is declared that the towns of ZEPA and SREBRENICA and their surroundings should be treated as safe areas by all the parties concerned and should be free from armed attacks and from any other hostile act;

Confirming also that the GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF 12 AUGUST 1949 AND THE PROTOCOL ADDITIONAL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF 12 AUGUST 1949, AND RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF VICTIMS OF INTERNATIONAL ARMED CONFLICTS (PROTOCOL I) are fully applicable in the conflict in Bosnia and Hercegovina.

Reconfirming the demilitarization of the city of Srebrenica,

have agreed on the following:

SECTION 1

THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE

ARTICLE 1

To demilitarize the areas of Srebrenica and Zepa.

The demilitarized areas will include the area within the current lines of conflict. The precise boundaries will be marked by the UNPROFOR commander on the ground after consultations.

At a later stage Contracting Parties can agree, verbally or in writing, to enlarge the demilitarized zone.

ARTICLE 2

On the ground the demilitarized zone shall be marked by UNPROFOR by means of boards on which is stated in English, Serbian and Bosnian written in Cyrilic and Latin as follows:

DEMILITARIZED ZONE

ANY MILITARY OPERATION IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN
(ARTICLE 60, PROTOCOL 1 ADDITIONAL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS)

DEMILITARIZOVANA ZONA
SVAKA VOJNA OPERACIJA JE STROGO ZABRANJENA.
(CLAN 60, PROTOKOL I DODATNI ZENEVSKE KONVENCIJE)

DEMILITARIZATION

ARTICLE 3

Every military or paramilitary unit will have either to withdraw from the demilitarized zone or submit/hand over their weapons. Ammunition, mines, explosives and combat supplies in the demilitarized zones will be handed over/submitted to UNPROFOR.

After submission/hand over of all weapons, ammunition, mines and combat supplies in the DMZ, the contracting parties will declare that the demilitarization is complete.

Submitting/hand over will be completed:

- a. In Srebrenica by Mon 10 May 1993 by 1700 hours.
- b. In Zepa by Wed 12 May 1993 by 1700 hours.

Submitting/hand over of weapons will be observed by a team of 3 officers from both sides together with UNPROFOR officers who will arrange the places where the handover will be done.

ARTICLE 4

UNPROFOR shall take the handed over/submitted weapons into custody.

UNPROFOR shall take the handed over/submitted ammunition into custody separately.

ARTICLE 5

UNPROFOR shall control the demilitarized zone.

To be able to implement this, an UNPROFOR unit and UNMOs with sufficient strength to control the area shall be present in the demilitarized zone. Until the Contracting Parties agree otherwise the UNPROFOR strength shall be of at least a company group with command and supplying elements in each demilitarized zone.

In order to be able to resupply and rotate the unit, UNPROFOR shall have freedom of movement to and from the demilitarized zone.

Non combatants who are in or who are willing to enter the demilitarized zone, except members of UNPROFOR, are not permitted to have in their possession any weapon, ammunition or explosives. Weapons, ammunition and explosives in their possession shall be seized by UNPROFOR.

Combatants will not be allowed to enter or to be in the demilitarized zone.

SECTION 3

PROTECTION OF OBJECTS INDISPENSABLE TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE POPULATION IN THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE

ARTICLE 6

Without prejudice to the provisions made in PROTOCOL 1, article 54, all objects indispensable to the survival of the population in the

demilitarized zones in particular the water supplies shall be kept intact. These objects shall be open to inspections by UNPROFOR.

Complete freedom of movement is granted to all humanitarian supplies of food medicine and shelter as required by the population.

SECTION 4

POLICE

ARTICLE 7

At the beginning of the demilitarization process UNCIVPOL will oversee the maintenance of law and order in the demilitarized zone.

SECTION 5

MEDICAL EVACUATION

ARTICLE 8

Both sides will guarantee the evacuation of the seriously wounded and sick to the hospitals and places according to their wish. The evacuation will be carried out by UNPROFOR by air (helicopters) or by road if this is necessary.

SECTION 6

MINEFIELDS

ARTICLE 9

Both sides are obliged to give UNPROFOR the details of the minefields.

SECTION 7

PRISONERS OF WAR AND KILLED PERSONS

ARTICLE 10

Both sides will submit the lists of the prisoners of war as well as the places where the killed soldiers are buried to UNPROFOR.

SECTION 8

WITHDRAWAL OF WEAPONS AND TROOPS

ARTICLE 11

When both sides in the presence of UNPROFOR agree that the operation has been completed all heavy weapons and units that constitute a menace to the demilitarized zones which will have been established in Zepa and Srebrenica will be withdrawn. Heavy weapons and tanks will be concentrated in limited areas that will be monitored by UNPROFOR and in principle out of range of the demilitarized zone. Infantry will be withdrawn to a range from which their weapons cannot constitute a menace to the security of the demilitarized zone, in principle 1.5kms.

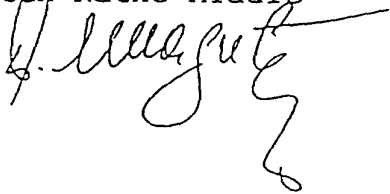
SECTION 9

ARTICLE 12

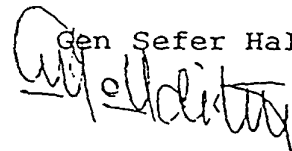
All areas of dispute will be solved by negotiations by both parties in the presence of UNPROFOR.

signed:

Lt Gen Ratko Mladic

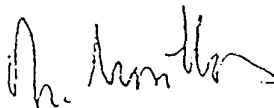


Gen Sefer Halilovic



witnessed by:

Lt Gen Philippe Morillon
Representative of UNPROFOR



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