

AGREEMENT ON THE CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES

The Government of the Republic of Mali on one hand and

the Popular Movement of Azawad and the Arab Islamic Front on the other,

Wishing to re-establish Peace and Security throughout the national territory and principally in the 6th and 7th Regions, have agreed the following:

ARTICLE 1: Military operations and all armed activity throughout the national territory and principally in the 6th and 7th Regions of Mali shall cease athours on 06/01/91.

ARTICLE 2: The two parties undertake to prevent any recourse to acts of violence, whether collective or individual.

All clandestine action or action endangering public order shall end, as well as any infiltration of armed elements from outside the country.

ARTICLE 3: The fighting forces of the “Popular Movement of Azawad” and the Arabic Islamic Front in place on the day of cessation of hostilities shall remain inside the zones which correspond to their current place of cantonment.

Any individual or collective movement of these Forces outside these areas must be unarmed.

ARTICLE 4: The Malian Armed Forces shall not carry out any activities likely to result in clashes with the combatants. They shall gradually reduce their presence in the 6th and 7th Regions.

ARTICLE 5: Within the framework of the present Agreement, the Malian Armed Forces shall withdraw from management of the civilian Administration, and suppress some military posts.

With regard to the towns (Regional capitals and cercles), barracks shall be progressively transferred to more suitable locations.

ARTICLE 6: The Malian Armed Forces shall avoid pastureland and areas with heavy concentrations of population.

ARTICLE 7: The Malian Armed Forces shall restrict themselves to their role of defending territorial integrity at the frontiers.

ARTICLE 8: The combatants may integrate into the Malian Armed Forces under conditions defined by the two parties.

ARTICLE 9: A Committee for the Cessation of Hostilities shall be established, charged with applying the provisions of the present Agreement. This Committee shall be chaired by the Democratic and Popular Republic of Algeria as mediator.

ARTICLE 10: The Committee for the Cessation of Hostilities shall consist of an equal number of representatives from each of the two parties, as well as the mediator.

ARTICLE 11: The headquarters of the Committee for the Cessation of Hostilities shall be at Gao.

ARTICLE 12: All prisoners, hostages, or detained civilians held by each of the parties shall be released within 30 days of signing the present Agreement.

ARTICLE 13: The present Agreement enters into force upon signing.

Done at Tamanrasset on January 6, 1991

in two originals in French and Arabic

the two texts being equally authentic.

Signatures