Agreement between the Kel Inacharia and sedentary communities in the municipalities of Alafia, Bourem Inaly and Lafia

March 2019
Preamble

We, the Kel Inacharia community on one side, and the sedentary communities of: the villages of Iloa and Hondoubomo Koïna in the rural commune of Alafia, of the Mar-Mar area in the commune of Lafia, and of Hondoubomo Abbaber in the rural commune Bourem Inaly, on the other side, hereinafter referred to as the Parties;

Considering the centuries-old fraternity, cohabitation, and trade between communities living in Tiessou;

Expressing our desire for stability and cohabitation between communities;

Conscious that the ban on the farming of rice fields imposed since December 2017 by nomads against sedentary people has caused a crisis and hampered almost two years of agricultural and livestock production in the area;

Considering the threat of famine posed by the inability to farm in certain local rice and bourgou fields, especially those in the surroundings of the villages of Iloa and Hondoubomo Abbaber;

Have met in Alafia as part of the mediation undertaken for a year by the Center for Humanitarian Dialogue (HD) at the request of the Parties and their nationals in Bamako, in partnership with the Tiessou network and with the support of the Regional Reconciliation Support Team (ERAR), to agree on the following:

Article 1: The Parties commit by this Agreement to work collectively to resume agricultural and livestock production activities in the area.

Article 2: To do so, the Parties commit to:

a) Promoting a culture of peaceful cohabitation;

b) Rejecting any form of violence prejudicial to the security of people and their property;

c) Managing disputes through dialogue, using the community leaders of Tiessou;

d) Sensitizing each of the communities for effective adherence to this Agreement;

e) Communicating regularly with each of the Parties on any difficulties encountered during the implementation of this Agreement;

f) Encouraging the resumption of agricultural and livestock production in the area made up of Inagaiassou, Marmare, Farfare, Talgoussia, Tatora, Chembou for the 2019-2020 season, which shall begin no later than March 15, 2019;

g) Requesting the administrative authorities and the elected officials to accompany and support the implementation of this Agreement;

h) Requesting the State and its technical and financial partners to support the implementation of this Agreement by putting in place an infrastructure to facilitate peaceful collective use of the operating areas.

Article 3: In order to monitor the implementation of this peace agreement, a monitoring committee will be put in place. This will be formed by 9 members who must be appointed by consensus to represent all three communities. The mission of this monitoring committee is to:
a) Regularly update the Parties on the progress made in implementing the commitments made under this Agreement in order to strengthen its scope;

b) Prevent and manage disputes between the Parties that may lead to non-compliance with this Agreement;

c) Identify, if necessary, additional measures necessary for the inter-communal reconciliation process.

**Article 4:** This Agreement comes into force from the date of signature.

Done in Timbuktu, March 13, 2019

Signed

For The Kel-inacharia Community
The faction leader

For the d’Iloas Community
The d’Iloas village chief

For the Hondoubomo Abba-Ber Community
The HONDOUBOMO ABBA-BER village chief

For the Hondoubomo Koina Community
The HONDOUBOMO KOINA village chief:

For Mar-Mare Community
The Mar-mar faction leader:

For the territorial groups:

The Mayor of BOUREM-INALY:

The Mayor of the d’ALAFIA Municipality

The Mayor of the LAFIA rural municipality

The President of the interim Authority of the Tombouctou Circle

For the Representative of the State

[unsigned]

Witnessed, the Prefect of the Tombouctou Circle