

<b>Country/entity</b>	Uganda
<b>Region</b>	Africa (excl MENA)
<b>Agreement name</b>	Annexure to the Agreement on Accountability and Reconciliation
<b>Date</b>	19/02/2008
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Ugandan Conflicts (1970 - ) )
<b>Stage</b>	Framework/substantive - partial (Multiple issues)
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government
<b>Peace process</b>	120: Uganda peace process
<b>Parties</b>	Hon. Ruhakana Rugunda (Dr) Minister of Internal Affairs and Head of GoU Delegation  Dr David Nyekorach Matsanga, Leader of the LRA/M Delegation
<b>Third parties</b>	Witnessed by:  H.E. Lt. General Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon (PhD), Vice President, Government of Southern Sudan And Chief Mediator of the Peace Talks.  H.E. Andre M Kapanga (PhD), for the Government of the Democratic Republic of Congo.  H.E. Japheth R. Getugi, for the Government of the Republic of Kenya.  H.E. Nsavike G. Ndatta, for the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania.  H.E. Francisco Caetano Madeira, for the Government of the Republic of Mozambique.  Lt. Gen. (Rtd.) Gilbert Lebeko Ramano, for the Government of the Republic of South Africa.  H.E. Jan Ledang, for the Government of Norway.  Ms Anna Sundström, Political Advisor to the EU Special Representative for the Great Lakes Region, For the European Union.  Mr Timothy R. Shortley, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, for the Government of the United States of America.
<b>Description</b>	The annexure to the 'Agreement on Accountability and Reconciliation' sets out mechanisms that will allow for the implementation of the provisions of the principal agreement. It establishes a body in charge of inquiring past atrocities, and a special division of the High Court of Uganda to deal with serious crimes. It also entails transitional justice provisions such as reparations and traditional justice mechanisms.

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**Agreement document** [UG\\_080219\\_Annexure to Account Recon Agreement.pdf](#) []

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**Main category** Page 2, Inquiry into the Past and related matters  
Article 4.

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4.e. to make provision for witness protection, especially for children and women;

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4.f. to make special provision for cases involving gender based violence;

Page 3, Article 8.

The special division of the High Court shall have a registry dedicated to the work of the division and in particular, shall make arrangements to facilitate the protection and participation of witnesses, victims, women and children.

Page 4, Investigations and Prosecutions

Article 13.

Investigations shall

13.c. Give particular attention to crimes and violations against women and children committed during the conflict.

Page 5, Traditional Justice, Article 20.

The Government shall in consultation with relevant interlocutors, examine the practices of transitional justice mechanisms in affected areas, with a view to identifying the most appropriate roles for such mechanisms. In particular it shall consider the role and impact of the processes on women and children.

Page 6, Provisions of General Application, Article 24.

All bodies implementing the Agreement shall establish internal procedures and arrangements for protecting and ensuring the participation of victims, traumatised individuals, women, children, persons with disabilities and victims of sexual violence in proceedings.

Page 6, Article 25.

In the appointment of members and staff of institutions envisaged by the Agreement, overriding consideration shall be given to the competences and skills required for the office, and gender balance shall be ensured-

## Women, girls and gender

<b>Participation</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Equality</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Particular groups of women</b>	No specific mention.
<b>International law</b>	<p><a href="#">General IHRL, IHL and IL</a></p> <p>Page 2, Inquiry into the Past and related matters (Principal Agreement Clauses 2.2 and 2.3), Article 4 The Government shall by law establish a body to be conferred with all the necessary powers and immunities, whose functions shall include:</p> <p>...</p> <p>c. To inquire into human rights violations committed during the conflict, giving particular attention to the experiences of women and children;</p>
<b>New institutions</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Violence against women</b>	<p><a href="#">Sexual violence</a></p> <p>Page 6, Provisions of General Application, Article 24 All bodies implementing the Agreement shall establish internal procedures and arrangements for protecting and ensuring the participation of victims, traumatised individuals, women, children, persons with disabilities and victims of sexual violence in proceedings.</p> <p><a href="#">Gender-based violence/VAW (general)</a></p> <p>Page 2, Inquiry into the Past and related matters (Principal Agreement Clauses 2.2 and 2.3), Article 4 The Government shall by law establish a body to be conferred with all the necessary powers and immunities, whose functions shall include:</p> <p>...</p> <p>f. to make special provision for cases involving gender based violence;</p> <p>...</p> <p>Page 4, Investigations and Prosecutions (Principal Agreement: Part 4) Article 13 Investigations shall</p> <p>...</p> <p>c. Give particular attention to crimes and violations against women and children committed during the conflict.</p>
<b>Transitional justice</b>	<p><a href="#">Past and gender</a></p> <p>Page 2, Inquiry into the Past and related matters (Principal Agreement Clauses 2.2 and 2.3), Article 4 The Government shall by law establish a body to be conferred with all the necessary powers and immunities, whose functions shall include:</p> <p>...</p> <p>c. To inquire into human rights violations committed during the conflict, giving particular attention to the experiences of women and children;</p> <p>...</p> <p>e. to make provision for witness protection, especially for children and women;</p> <p>f. to make special provision for cases involving gender based violence;</p> <p>Page 4, Investigations and Prosecutions (Principal Agreement: part 4), Article 13 Investigations shall</p>

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Page 5, Traditional Justice (Principal Agreement: clause 3.1), Article 20

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#### **Institutional reform**

##### [Judiciary, judicial reform](#)

Page 3, Legal and Institutional Framework (Principal Agreement: Part 5) Article 8

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#### **Development**

No specific mention.

#### **Implementation**

##### [Women's role and consideration in implementation of the agreement](#)

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#### **Other**

No specific mention.