# Accra Acceptance and Accession / Agreement and Accra Clarification 21 December 1994

This Accceptance and Accession undertaking made and entered into this Twenty-First day of December One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four by the Lofa Defense Force (LDF), represented by Mr. Francois Massaquoi; the Liberia Peace Council (LPC), represented by Dr. G.E. Saigbe Boley, Sr; the Central Revolutionary Council (CRC-NPFL), represented by J. Thomas Woewiyu; ULIMO represented by Major General Roosevelt Johnson, the Liberia National Conference (LNC), represented by Counsellor J.D. Bayogar Junius, all of them hereinafter collectively referred to as the non-signatories to the Akosombo Agreement, hereby:

#### Witnesseth:

Whereas an agreement, referred to as the `Akosombo Agreement' was made and entered into on the Twelfth day of September, by and between the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL); the Armed Forces of Liberia (AFL) and the United Liberation Movement (ULIMO), in an effort to establish a ceasefire, facilitate disarmament, encampment, demobilization, and to pave the way for a free and fair election; and

Whereas, the non-signatories to the Akosombo Agreement did not participate in the discussions leading to the Akosombo Agreement; and

Whereas, a need arose for further discussions between the Signatories to Akosombo for clarification and expansion of the provisions therein with the view of facilitating the acceptance and the implementation of the Agreement, which said discussions the non-signatories fully participated; and

Whereas, after intense discussions and negotiations between the parties to the Akosombo Agreement and the non-signatories thereto, the non-signatories have agreed to accept the terms and conditions of the Akosombo Agreement with the clarifications thereto as set forth and contained in the Agreement on the clarification of the said Akosombo Agreement.

Now therefore the non-signatories to the Akosombo Agreement, in consideration of their participation in the discussions on the clarifications of the Akosombo Agreement, and in further consideration of the political arrangements agreed upon and accepted by them, agree as follows to wit:

1. That the Lofa Defense Force (LDF), the Liberia Peace Council (LPC), and the Central Revolutionary Council (CRC-NPFL), in their individual capacities; the LNC, and ULIMO agree to accept and to accede to, and by this document hereby accept, and accede to the Akosombo agreement and the agreement on clarification of the aforesaid Akosombo agreement.

2. That the non-signatories commit themselves individually and collectively to the terms and conditions of the Akosombo agreement and the Agreement on Clarification of the said Agreement, and undertake to fully implement and discharge all the tasks and the responsibilities, and to abide by all the terms and conditions as set forth and contained under the said Akosombo agreement, and the Agreement on clarification of the said Akosombo agreement, as if they were signatories thereto and/or specifically named therein.

In witness thereof, the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and affixed their signatures this Twenty-First day of December, One Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-Four in the City of Accra, Republic of Ghana:

ULIMO, Represented by and through its Chairman Major General Roosevelt Johnson

Lofa Defense Force (LDF), Represented by and through its Leader Francois Massaquoi

Liberia Peace Council (LPC) , Represented by and through its Chairman Dr. G. E. Saigbe Boley, Sr.

The Central Revolutionary Council (CRC-NPFL), Represented by and through its Chairman Jucontee Thomas Woewiyu

Liberia National Conference (LNC), Represented by and through its Chairman Counsellor J. D. Bayogar Junius

# Attested To:

His Excellency Flt. Lt. Jerry John Rawlings
President of the Republic of Ghana and current Chairman of ECOWAS

# Agreement on the Clarification of the Akosombo Agreement / Accra Clarification

This Agreement on the clarification of the Akosombo Agreement made this Twenty-First day of December One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four is intended to clarify and expand pertinent provisions of the said Akosombo Agreement.

## Part I Military Issues

Section A, Article 1

#### Ceasefire

The Parties to this Agreement hereby declare a ceasefire and the cessation of hostilities effective as of 23.59 hours on the 28th day of December 1994.

Section C, Article 4

# Terms and Conditions (Safe Havens and Buffer Zones)

Consistent with Section C Article 4 count 5 of the Akosombo Agreement, the parties agree to facilitate the establishment of Safe Havens and Buffer Zones throughout Liberia in accordance with a plan to be drawn up by the LNTG in collaboration with UNOMIL and ECOMOG in consultation with the parties. In this connection, the deployment of ECOMOG and UNOMIL, the establishment of Buffer Zones, Safe Havens and other measures necessary to restore normalcy throughout the territory of Liberia, shall be undertaken in accordance with the Cotonou and Akosombo Agreements.

In keeping with Section C Article 4 count 6, the LNTG shall enter into a Status of Forces Agreement with ECOWAS within seven (7) days as of the seating of the Council of State established under this Agreement.

Section H, Article 9

## Demobilization

Consistent with Section H Article 9 count 4 of the Akosombo Agreement it is agreed by the parties that in the reorganization of the Armed Forces of Liberia, the Police, Immigration and other Security Agencies, the combatants and non-combatants who satisfy conditions for recruitment shall be considered for inclusion. In this connection, the Council of State established under the Akosombo Agreement clarified by this agreement shall establish appropriate committees which will be charged with determining the criteria for recruitment, taking advantage of the relevant expertise of ECOMOG and UNOMIL.

Section K, Article 12

# Schedule of Implementation

The parties hereby agree to abide by the schedule of implementation hereto attached and incorporated herein by reference.

Part II Political Issues
Section A

# Executive

Consistent with Part II Section A (i), of the Akosombo Agreement the provision for the function and structure of the Five-Member Council of www.theirwords.org

State provided for in the Cotonou and Akosombo Agreements are hereby reconfirmed.

The procedure for the appointment of the relevant officials of government as enshrined in the Akosombo Agreement is hereby reaffirmed. Such officials shall be appointed based on merit.

The parties agree that a five-member Council of State shall be established. The first four members of the new council of state shall be appointed as follows:

NPFL 1 ULIMO 1 AFL/COALITION 1 LNC 1

The fifth member of the council of state shall be a traditional chief selected by the NPFL and ULIMO in the person of Honourable Tamba Tailor in accordance with Part II section A (i) of the Akosombo Agreement and agreed by the parties.

Consistent with Part II Section A (i) of the Akosombo Agreement, induction of the Council of State shall take place in the City of Monrovia under the auspices of the Chairman of ECOWAS or his designee within fourteen (14) days as of the ceasefire date.

Section H, Article 20

Consistent with Section H Article 20 of the Akosombo Agreement, the parties reaffirm the acceptance of the ECOWAS Peace Plan including the Cotonou and Akosombo Agreements as the best framework for peace in Liberia.

All Provisions of the Akosombo Agreement not herein clarified remain in full force and effect.

## Done at Accra, Republic of Ghana, this 21st Day of December 1994

Charles G. Taylor, Leader of the National Patriotic Front of Liberia (NPFL)

Ltg. Alhaji G.V. Kromah, National Chairman of the United Liberation Movement of Liberia for Democracy (ULIMO)

Ltg. J. Hezekiah Bowen, Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of Liberia (AFL)

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His Excellency Flt. Lt. Jerry John Rawlings, President of the Republic of Ghana and current Chairman of ECOWAS