

Declaration to The Nairobi Summit Made by the Signatories of the Geneva Call's Deed of Commitment for Adherence to a Total Ban on Antipersonnel Mines and for Cooperation in Mine Action

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Considering that:

- Antipersonnel (AP) mines are weapons that do not distinguish between civilians and soldiers,
- Mines will remain active, even after the conflict has ended, causing humanitarian crisis and curbing development,
- Many displaced persons can not return home due to the presence of mines,
- Communities living in areas under the control or influence of armed non-State actors generally have poor access to humanitarian assistance.

We, the following armed non-State actors having signed the *Deed of Commitment* of Geneva Call:

- Reaffirm our commitment to ban the use of antipersonnel mines and to actively cooperate in mine action and monitoring,
- Express our satisfaction with the outcomes of the first meeting of signatories to the Geneva Call *Deed of Commitment* held in Geneva, Switzerland, October 31 to November 2nd and our interest in the follow-up of this important process,
- Call on all non-State actors throughout the world to ban the use of AP mines in their struggles and to sign the *Deed of Commitment* of Geneva Call,
- Commit to actively promote, in collaboration with Geneva Call and other local NGOs, the *Deed of Commitment* among non-signatory armed non-State actors,
- Are convinced that mine action can play an important role in confidence building and peace building processes among parties to conflict,
- Invite all armed non-State actors to actively facilitate the work of the international community and specialised NGOs in launching mine action and development in areas under their control or influence,
- Call on the international community and specialized NGOs to assist or increase assistance for demining, victim assistance and mine risk education programs in areas under the control or influence of armed non-State actors who are engaged in the fight against landmines,
- Call on States to support or facilitate the work done by Geneva Call, national campaigns of the ICBL and other specialised NGOs in universalising the mine ban.

List of signatories:

- Conseil National pour la Défense de la Démocratie-Forces pour la Défense de la Démocratie (CNDD-FDD) - Burundi.
- Sudan People's Liberation Movement and Sudan People's Liberation Army (SPLM/A)
 Sudan.
- Arakan Rohingya National Organisation (ARNO) Burma.
- National United Party of Arakan (NUPA) Burma.
- National Socialist Council of Nagalim (NSCN) North-East India/Nagaland.
- Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) The Philippines.
- Kurdistan Regional Government Erbil, Democratic Party of Kurdistan (KRG/KDP) -Iraqi Kurdistan.
- Kurdistan Regional Government Sulaimanyia, Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (KRG/PUK) Iraqi Kurdistan.
- Somali National Front/Somali Reconciliation and Restoration Council (SNF)/SRRC on behalf of the Somali signatory factions leaders - Somalia.