

COMPREHENSIVE CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

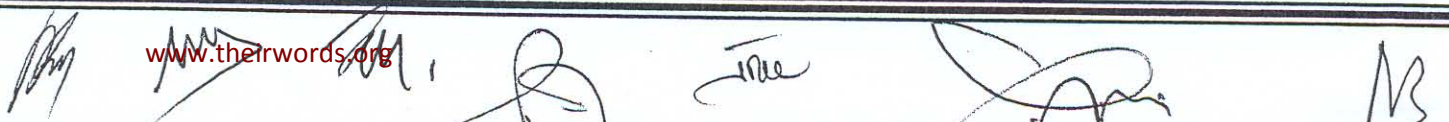
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF
BURUNDI**

AND

THE PALIPEHUTU - FNL

DAR ES SALAAM

07 SEPTEMBER 2006



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**We, the Government of the Republic of Burundi
Acting in terms of the Constitution of the Country**

and

**The Palipehutu – FNL
Hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”**

Recalling the Dar es Salaam Agreement of Principles towards Lasting Peace, Security and Stability in Burundi, signed on 18 June 2006;

Reaffirming our unwavering determination to overcome our differences in all their forms of manifestations to promote our aspirations for unity and the consolidation of the common good for all the Burundi people;

Determined to respect and faithfully implement all Agreements reached between the Parties with a view to stopping war and reconstructing Burundi.

In the presence of:

- ❖ H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, President of the Republic of Uganda
- ❖ H.E. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, President of the United Republic of Tanzania
- ❖ H.E. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
- ❖ Hon Charles Nqakula, Facilitator
- ❖ H.E. Bernard Makuza, Prime Minister of Rwanda
- ❖ Hon R. Tuju, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Kenya
- ❖ H.E. P Mazimhaka, Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission
- ❖ Hon Dr SG Mwale, Special Envoy of Zambia to the Great Lakes Region
- ❖ Amb. N Satti, UN Special Envoy to the Great Lakes Region

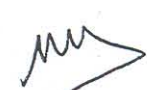
We, the Parties, the Government of Burundi and the Palipehutu – FNL, solemnly declare to be bound by the following stipulations of the Comprehensive Ceasefire Agreement:

Article I:

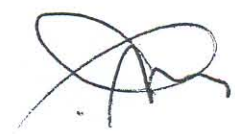
1. A ceasefire between the parties is hereby established throughout the territory of the Republic of Burundi.
2. The ceasefire shall enter into force within seventy-two (72) hours after the signing of this Agreement.

Article II:

1. Ceasefire Agreement shall imply:
 - 1.1 Cessation of all military operations and paramilitary actions by the parties against each other and the general civilian population including;
 - 1.1.1 The suspension of supplies of ammunition and weaponry;
 - 1.1.2 The banning of the distribution of lethal logistical supplies to or from any of the forces;
 - 1.1.3 The banning of any mine-laying operations or the hindering of operations to remove mines;
 - 1.1.4 Cessation of all propaganda between the Parties, incitement of ethnic hatred both within and outside the country;
 - 1.1.5 Cessation of all acts of violence against the civilian population; acts of vengeance; summary executions; torture; harassment; detention and persecution of civilians on the basis of ethnic origin; religious beliefs; and or political affiliation; arming of civilians; use of child soldiers; sexual violence; sponsoring or promotion of terrorist or genocide ideologies;
 - 1.1.6 Cessation of all attacks by air, land and lake, as well as all acts of sabotage;
 - 1.1.7 Cessation of any actions likely to impede the normal implementation of the peace process.



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Article III

1. The verification and control of the Ceasefire shall be conducted by the Joint Verification and Monitoring Mechanism (JVMM), which shall involve the Parties, United Nations (UN) and African Union (AU).
2. All violations of this Ceasefire Agreement shall be reported to, and addressed through, the JVMM.
3. The JVMM and the Joint Liaison Teams (JLTs) shall supervise the movement of combatants towards Assembly Areas.
4. The AU shall establish a Special Task Force for the protection of the leadership and combatants of Palipehutu-FNL, including their movement towards the Assembly Areas.
5. The UN and other international donors shall be requested to provide support for the establishment and maintenance of the Assembly Areas.
6. The JVMM shall, in conjunction with the UN, address the issue of command structures and modalities for inner and outer perimeter security of the Assembly Areas.
7. The JVMM and JLTs shall assist in the registration and verification processes of the combatants in the Assembly Areas.

Article IV

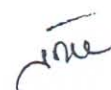
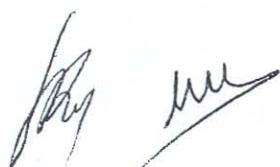
1. The Regional Initiative on Burundi shall remain the guarantors of this process.
2. The Facilitator shall continue in his role as a moral guarantor, recourse authority and conciliation agent.

Article V

1. Annexures marked "I", "II", "III" and "IV" of the Comprehensive Ceasefire Agreement attached hereto are an integral part of this Agreement.

Article VI

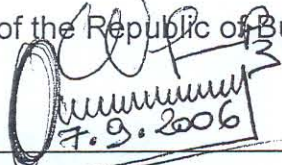
1. This Agreement is drawn up in French and English and shall be translated into Kirundi and Kiswahili. The French text shall take precedence and shall be filed with Offices of the Secretary General of the United Nations, the Chairperson of the African Union Commission and the Parties.



SIGNED at DAR ES SALAAM on this 7th day of September 2006.

1. Signatory Parties:

For the Government of the Republic of Burundi

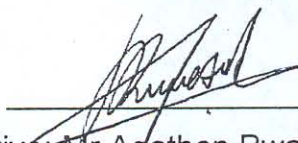


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Name of Representative: His Excellency Pierre Nkurunziza

Title: President of the Republic

For the Palipehutu –FNL

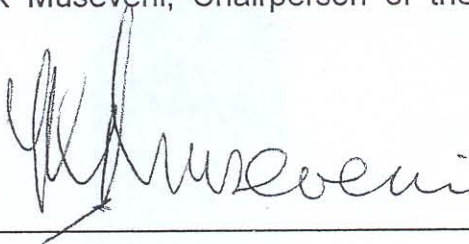


Name of Representative: Mr Agathon Rwasa

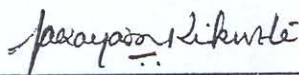
Title: Chairperson

2. Guarantors

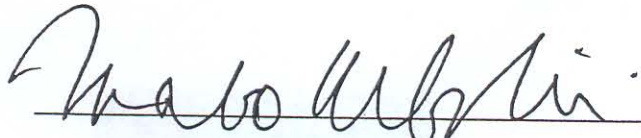
H.E President YK Museveni, Chairperson of the Regional Initiative for Peace in Burundi



H.E President JM Kikwete, Vice Chairperson of the Regional Initiative for Peace in Burundi

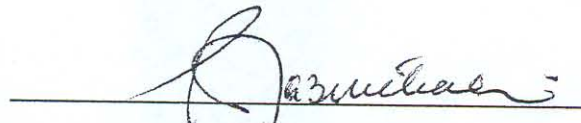


H.E President T Mbeki, Representative of the Facilitating country, South Africa



3. Witnesses

H.E. P Mazimhaka, Representative of the African Union



H.E Ambassador N Satti, UN Special Envoy to the Great Lakes Region

