

## **Agreement**

### **On the peaceful regulation of the situation in the Chechen Republic (on a set of military issues)**

*Signed in Grozny on 30 July 1995*

The plenipotentiary delegations of the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Chechen Republic of Ichkeria<sup>1</sup> on the peaceful regulation of the situation in the Chechen Republic, guided by the sincere desire to cease military activities and achieve peace, rejecting the use of force or the threat of force in the resolution of disputed issues, and striving to create conditions for the conducting of free democratic elections, came to the following agreement:

- a) The cessation of military activities is secured by the following measures:

the simultaneous issuance of order to cease fire, signed by the Commander of the Joint group of Russian troops in the Chechen Republic and the Chief of the main staff of the armed forces of the Chechen Republic;

the creation of a Special Observation Commission (SNK), upon which is laid the task of the organization of the work and control over the fulfilment of the understandings and agreements on the whole set of military issues. Within the SNK, by the mutual agreement, are included the military representatives of the sides, the Committee of national accord, the council of elders, the clergy, and the Territorial Administration of federal organs of executive power in the Chechen Republic. Representatives of the OSCE are invited as observers;

a mutual exchange of maps of the location and deployment of military formations and maps of minefields, and the handing over of these maps to the SNK.

- b) The freeing of forcibly detained people entails the conducting of the following mutual agreed actions:

a mutual exchange of lists of forcibly detained persons, including the submission of lists of persons confined in filtration points in Mozdok, Grozny and other area of their confinement;

a mutual exchange of lists of persons disappearing without a trace;

a mutual freeing of forcibly detained person on the principle of "all in all" within a period of a week from the day of the signing of this Agreement;

- c) Disarmament and a gradual withdrawal of troops are the most important issues of this set. Under their examination, the sides have agreed that complete disarmament entails the disarmament of illegal armed formations (i.e. formations not covered by Law "Defense") and individual citizens illegally possessing arms. Disarmament is conducted in three stages. The first stage involves the disarmament of illegal armed formations, subdivisions and other organizations under the command of field commanders. In the second stage, subject to

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<sup>1</sup> The delegation of the government of the Russian Federation states that the Chechen Republic of Ichkeria is not recognised by the Legislation of the Russian Federation.

disarmament are citizens belonging to militias defending villages and populated points. In the third stage, individual persons are disarmed.

The sides have also agreed that:

- disarmament is conducted under the control of the SNK;
- the mechanism of disarmament is agreed in every concrete instance with the council of elders of the village, with the participation of the SNK;
- weapons are handed over the SNK according to the procedure established by law by the decision of the council of elders of populated points and with the agreement of the SNK in populated points, detachments of 15 to 25 persons are formed for their defense until the formation of law-enforcement organs. Arms given over to them are registered and stored according to established procedure;
- disarmament in individual cases entails the buyback of weapons;
- during the period of disarmament, there takes place the withdrawal of military formations from the lines of contact to a distance of 2-4 kilometers in order to secure safety and the impermissibility of unprovoked incidents;
- simultaneously with disarmament, there takes place a gradual withdrawal of troops.

The sides have agreed also, that on the territory of the Chechen Republic there will be deployed the Internal Troops of the Interior Ministry (MVD) of Russia in number up to one brigade. Among the tasks of this brigade will be included the provision of aid to law-enforcement organs in support of social order and the securing of the safety of citizens. From the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation there will be one machine-gun (*motostrelkovaya*) brigade. The plan of deployment for the aforementioned brigades in the following is agreed with the organs of state power of the Chechen Republic.

- d) The cessation of terrorist acts and sabotage entails a declaration of the military command of the sides on the full condemnation and impermissibility of any terrorist acts and sabotage. The delegation of the Chechen Republic of Ichkeria has condemned any terrorist acts and has obligated itself to provide the Russian side with aid in the search and detention of Shamil Basaev and his group, accused of undertaking a terrorist act in the city of Budyennovsk.

For the period of the decision of the set of military issues until the holding of elections there are created the following structures with the exclusive right of control over the implementation of the Agreement that has been reached:

The plenipotentiary of the Representative of the President of the Russian Federation in the Chechen Republic;

A Special Observation Commission, created on an agreed basis with the participation of the OSCE;

The plenipotentiary of the Representative of the President of the Russian Federation in the Chechen Republic, and also the SNK, the co-presidents of which are the Commander of the Unified group of Russian troops in the Chechen Republic and the Chief of the Main Staff of the Armed Forces of the Chechen Republic A. Maskhadov, act as the guarantors of the implementation of the present Agreement.

The sides have agreed on the continuation of negotiations on the political and economic sets of issues.

The agreement goes into force from the moment of its signing.

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