

Agreement

The signatories to this Agreement, desirous of achieving a political settlement of the crisis in Yemen, acting in accordance with the terms of the initiative proposed by the Gulf Cooperation Council on 21 April 2011 and pursuant to the following basic principles:

- That the solution resulting from this Agreement shall preserve the unity, security and stability of Yemen;
- That the Agreement shall fulfil the aspirations of the Yemeni people for change and reform;
- That the transfer of power shall be smooth, secure and based on national consensus in order to avoid a descent into anarchy and violence;
- That all parties are committed to removing the sources of tension in political and security terms;

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- That all parties are committed to ending all forms of reprisals, pursuit and prosecution by extending guarantees and pledges towards that end;

Have agreed on the following implementation steps;

1. On the first day of the Agreement, the President of the Republic shall request the opposition to form a government of national unity with 50 per cent representation from either side. That government shall be formed no later than seven days after his request.
2. The newly formed government shall create the appropriate atmosphere in order to achieve national consensus and put an end to the sources of tension in political and security terms.
3. On the 29th day after the Agreement enters into force, Parliament, including the opposition, shall adopt laws granting immunity from legal and judicial prosecution to the President and those who worked with him during his time in office.

4. On the 30th day after the Agreement enters into force, once Parliament, including the opposition, has adopted the law on safeguards, the President of the Republic shall tender his resignation to Parliament. When Parliament has accepted his resignation, the Vice-President shall become the legitimate President by appointment.

5. The President by appointment shall call for presidential elections within 60 days in accordance with the Constitution.

6. The new President shall establish a constitutional committee to oversee the preparation of a new constitution.

7. When complete, the new constitution shall be submitted to a popular referendum.

8. If the constitution is approved by referendum, a time frame for parliamentary elections shall be determined in accordance with the new constitution.

9. After the elections, the President shall request the Chair of the party that has gained the greatest number of votes to form a government.

10. The States members of the Gulf Cooperation Council, the United States of America, the European Union and the Russian Federation shall be witnesses to the implementation of this Agreement.

11. This Agreement has been prepared in four original copies in the Arabic language. It shall enter into force on the date when all parties have signed it.

Signatures of the parties to the Agreement

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Signed) Ali Abdullah Saleh</i> President of the Republic Chair of the General People's Congress</p>	
<i>(Signed) Abdulkarim Ali Al-Iryani</i> Second Deputy Chair of the General People's Congress	<i>(Signed) Mohamed Salem Basendwah</i> Chair of the Preparatory Committee for National Dialogue
<i>(Signed) Sadiq Amin Abu Ras</i> Assistant General Secretary of the General People's Congress	<i>(Signed) Yasin Sa'id Nu'man</i> General Secretary of the Socialist Party and Temporary Chair of the Joint Meeting Parties
<i>(Signed) Amat Al-Razzaq Hamad</i> Assistant General Secretary of the General People's Congress	<i>(Signed) Abdulwahhab Ahmad Al-Insi</i> General Secretary of the Yemeni Congregation for Reform
<i>(Signed) Ahmad Ubayd Bin Daghr</i> Assistant General Secretary of the General People's Congress	<i>(Signed) Hasan Muhammad Zayd</i> General Secretary of the Al-Haqq Party
<i>(Signed) Qasim Salam</i>	<i>(Signed) Sakhr Ahmad Al-Wajih</i>

Chair of the Council of the National Democratic Alliance	Representative of the Solidarity Council and the Freedom Bloc
In the presence of: (Signed) Abdul-Latif Bin Rashid Al-Zayani Secretary-General of the Gulf Cooperation Council	In the presence of: (Signed) Sheikh Abdullah Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates Chair of the current session of the Ministerial Council of the Gulf Cooperation Council