



# Ceasefires in armed conflicts during Coronavirus Pandemic

On 23 March, the UN Secretary General António Guterres made a global appeal to all parties in conflict in the world to initiate a global ceasefire to face the Coronavirus Pandemic, thus facilitating the work of humanitarian actors accessing the most vulnerable populations affected by violence.

SYRIA: The SDF announces suspension of military activities, but widespread ceasefire in the country remains in question

ISRAEL-PALESTINE: Tension decreases and cooperation mechanisms are activated, but the alert persists due to the situation of special vulnerability of Gaza in the face of the pandemic

The Centre for Humanitarian Dialogue launches a global COVID-19 response initiative

MOLDOVA (TRANSDNIESTRIA): Joint measures to guarantee the movement of some population segments such as health professionals

AFGHANISTAN: Taliban ready to cease their armed activity in areas affected by coronavirus under their control

EL SALVADOR: Several Maras have decreed a curfew since March 30

NIGERIA: Peace agreement to resolve the inter-community conflict in Benue State

YEMEN: Warring parties welcome the ceasefire appeal, but clashes persist

PHILIPPINES: The Government and the armed wing of the Communist Party of the Philippines decree separate ceasefires, halting offensive hostilities

COLOMBIA: ELN declares one-month unilateral ceasefire

CAMEROON (Ambazonia / North West-South West): socadef armed group declares a temporary humanitarian ceasefire

SUDAN (DARFUR): SLM/A-AW armed group begins a ceasefire

THAILAND (SOUTH): The BRN, main southern armed group, releases a statement regarding COVID-19, although without decreeing a ceasefire

INDONESIA (PAPUA): The leader of the pro-independence Papuan movement criticizes the Government management of the COVID-19 pandemic in the Papua region

The UAB School for a Culture of Pau (ECP) joins the call for a global ceasefire. In support of local and international efforts to build peace and in response to the pandemic, it documents some of the armed conflict or sociopolitical crisis contexts in which armed actors have shown their adherence to the UN proposal, other confidence-building measures between conflict parties were adopted or relevant appeals for the cessations of hostilities were made.

- Countries where peace agreements, truces, ceasefires or confidence-building measures have been reached
- Other reactions, appeals or measures following the COVID-19 Pandemic