Peace Treaty and Principles of Interrelation between Russian Federation and Chechen Republic Ichkeria

The esteemed parties to the agreement, desiring to end their centuries-long antagonism and striving to establish firm, equal and mutually beneficial relations, hereby agree:

- 1. To reject forever the use of force or threat of force in resolving all matters of dispute.
- 2. To develop their relations on generally recognised principles and norms of international law. In doing so, the sides shall interact on the basis of specific concrete agreements.
- 3. This treaty shall serve as the basis for concluding further agreements and accords on the full range of relations.
- 4. This treaty is written on two copies and both have equal legal power.
- 5. This treaty is active from the day of signing.

Moscow, 12 May 1997.

(signed)

B. Yeltsin President of the Russian Federation A. Maskhadov President of the Chechen Republic Ichkeria