Philippines agree Muslim "homeland" The Philippine government has reached an agreement with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front - the country's largest Muslim separatist group with 11,000 fighters on the creation of an autonomous homeland in the south. On-off talks began more than a decade ago in a bid to end 40 years of conflict **Autonomous Region in** Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) Established 1996 in peace deal with MNLF - rival rebel group to MILF Historical extent of ethnic Moro rule Bangsamoro "ancestral domain" PAI AWAN ARMM plus parts of other Mindanao provinces with large Muslim communities: Lanao del Sur Lanao del Norte MINDANAO Zamboanga del Norte Zamboanga Sibugay Cotabato Zamboanga del Sur Sharif Kabunsuan Basilan Sultan Kudarat Maguindanao Davao del Sur MALAYSIA -km maritime limit South Sarangani 125km esources shared Cotabato 75 miles Tawi-Tawi