

**JOINT DECLARATION OF THE V CYCLE OF THE PEACE DIALOGUES
BETWEEN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THE GENERAL STAFF OF
THE BLOCS: COMMANDER JORGE SUÁREZ BRICEÑO, COMMANDER
GENTIL DUARTE AND THE FRONT COMMANDER RAÚL REYES OF THE
FARC-EP**

Bogotá D.C. 15 July 2024

The delegations of the National Government and the General Staff of the Blocs: Commander Jorge Suárez Briceño, Commander Gentil Duarte and the Commander of the Raúl Reyes Front of the FARC-EP have held the V cycle of talks, in the city of Bogotá, amidst a constructive spirit, taking decisions on ceasefire monitoring and respect for the civilian population; georeferencing of zones of presence; agenda for the construction of the Peace Agreement; socio-environmental initiatives in the Amazon, Catatumbo and Antioquia for the protection of biodiversity and sustainable development; territorial transformations; humanitarian attention to persons deprived of their liberty who are members of the aforementioned Fronts and Blocs that are at the Dialogue Table; and progress in terms of social participation in the process.

Taking into account the events following the suspension of the ceasefire on 20 March 2024 by the National Government in Nariño, Cauca and Valle del Cauca, it was agreed that, from now on, the ceasefire will be with the Blocs and Fronts that remain at the Table, with full validity of the agreements and protocols signed since the installation in Tibú on 16 October 2023 until those adopted in Cycle V and those defined by mutual agreement between the parties.

1. The Oversight, Monitoring and Verification Mechanism (MVMV) presented by consensus its Final Report to the Dialogues Table in the framework of the CFBTNT, in accordance with Decree 016 of 2024, for the period between 16 January and 25 June of this year. The evaluation of the fulfilment of commitments made it possible to ascertain the parties' interest in continuing to make progress on key issues of respect for the civilian population.

Based on the recommendations and warnings of the MVMV, the Peace Dialogues Table agreed to strengthen regional and local bodies for the prevention of events not permitted in the agreements, rules and commitments. The MVMV will provide monthly reports and equip itself with the necessary tools and logistics for its urgent actions to prevent incidents, respond to alerts and community complaints, and verify

cases, with a rapid response to those of greatest gravity and impact on the life, liberty, dignity and living conditions of the population.

2. The Roundtable decided to hold social dialogues with special groups such as those in Peasant Reserve Zones, forest development zones, national natural parks, and inhabitants in possession of vacant land for adjudication, families occupying areas of the Law N° 2 of 1959, signatories of the 2016 Peace Agreement who are included in the social processes in the territories, collective ethnic territories and in populated centres, and communities in critical areas.
3. Progress was made in georeferencing with the definition of criteria, identification of the fronts of each bloc represented at the Peace Dialogues Table, and a technical committee was formed for the exchange of information in order to contribute to the protection of the population, territorial transformations and the prevention of confrontations. The parties will invite, when they consider it necessary, to this technical committee the Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations in Colombia, as well as the one of the Mission to Support the Peace Process of the Organisation of American States (MAPP-OAS), the Colombian Episcopal Conference of the Catholic Church and the World Council of Churches.
4. Taking into account the initial thematic guidelines agreed at the installation of the roundtable in Tibú and the contributions of the social dialogue sessions, we, the parties, agreed on the thematic axes for the construction of the Peace Agreement, which, with a participatory methodology and a common route, will be at the centre of the work of the Peace Dialogue Table. These axes are: 1. Territorial transformations and immediately applicable agreements. 2. Land and territory. 3. Environmental peace. 4. Economic, labour and social issues. 5. Political issues, corruption and culture of peace. 6. Rights of all vulnerable and specially protected populations. 7. Models of justice and victims' rights. 8. Conflict, security and weapons. 9. Guarantees for the parties after the agreement. 10. Regulatory frameworks and international relations for peace. (See text of the Agreement on the agenda for the Peace Agreement).
5. Environmental commitment of the V cycle. Taking into account the country's commitments to the necessary protection of the Amazon, and the importance of the environmental agenda for peace building, the parties agree to develop a space for dialogue with ethnic peoples and peasants, occupants of the north-western arc of this region, institutional framework, private sector, academia, among

others, with the sole purpose of listening to proposals and alternatives aimed at avoiding deforestation in the next summer period, as well as other impacts on natural resources and biodiversity.

The MDP urges the inter-institutional and community commissions and roundtables to speed up the inclusive dialogue between the environmental institutions and the grassroots communities, in order to reach agreement between all the relevant parties, which will make possible the implementation in the short term of socio-environmental programmes and projects that benefit the communities while at the same time recognising their rights as caretakers of areas of environmental importance, including the strategic environmental ecosystems of Catatumbo and Antioquia.


6. Accepted as agreements of the Roundtable are the commitments on Territorial Transformation and environmental issues derived from the social dialogue sessions, which have been approved by the parties. For the continuity of these dialogues, the following special zones of intervention and execution of partial agreements are defined for the next period: Sur del Meta - north of Guaviare, Catatumbo, north-northeast and Bajo Cauca Antioqueño, Sur de Bolívar and Caquetá-Yarí. By agreement of the parties, other areas may be included.
7. The Peace Dialogues Table accepts the agreements of the Joint Legal Commission, composed of delegates of the parties and permanent accompaniers, on urgent humanitarian efforts to attend to persons, members of the Blocs and Fronts that are represented in the MDP, who are deprived of their liberty with serious health problems. These agreements also include arrangements for educational programmes, the evaluation of possible relocations, consultations on criminal policy issues and the proposal of humanitarian peace camps within the framework of the legal provisions in force.
8. The Peace Dialogue Table invites all sectors of the state and civil society to deepen their efforts to achieve significant achievements in the political solution of the social conflict, in order to explore routes towards the elimination of the causes that generate the conflict.
9. The National Government delegation will ask the international community, including the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), to contribute to the deliberations on the scope and application of the norms of International Humanitarian Law, including the figure of exaction. As well as the issues of dissent raised in the MVMV report such as extortion, among others.
10. The General Staff of the Blocs: Commander Jorge Suárez Briceño and Commander Gentil Duarte and, of the Front Commander

Raúl Reyes of the FARC-EP declares that he only assumes as commitments the Agreements and protocols signed by the parties in the Peace Dialogues Table.

The parties are grateful for the accompaniment of the Special Representative of the Secretary General of the United Nations in Colombia, as well as the Mission to Support the Peace Process of the Organisation of American States - MAPP-OAS, the Colombian Episcopal Conference of the Catholic Church and the World Council of Churches. Likewise, they are grateful for the continued support of the group of guarantor countries: Norway, Venezuela, Switzerland and Ireland. They also thank the Public Force and the National Protection Unit for guaranteeing security on the day.

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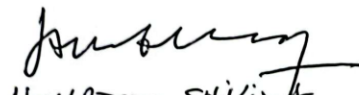
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