

Country/entity	Colombia
Region	Americas
Agreement name	Mesa Para La Co-Construcción De Paz Territorial En Nariño - Acuerdo Número 1
Date	19 Sep 2024
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/local conflict
Colombian Conflict (1964 -) The Colombian conflict is really a set of conflicts and the peace agreements reflect both different processes relating to different conflict groups and dyads, and processes taking place at different times in a complex peace process history. The Colombian civil war has its roots in the late 1940s and the violent infighting between liberal and the conservative factions. Emerging from the liberal tradition with a thorough grounding in nationalist communist ideology, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia—People's Army (FARC) began its armed insurrection against the Colombian government in 1964. Other left-wing guerrillas emerged as well, most notably the socialist/populist M-19, which would later be integrated into the formal political system in the peace process of 1990s; the National Liberation Army (ELN), which has strong roots in liberation theology, and the Maoist Ejército Popular de Liberación (EPL) (also part of the 1990 process, less successfully). Several stages of peace processes were undertaken by the various sides, which were further complicated by the emergence of right-wing paramilitary 'self-defence' forces. The peace agreement between the Colombian government under President Uribe and the main alliance of the paramilitary groups, the United Self-Defence Forces of Colombia (AUC), concluded in 2005 and is still heavily disputed as several remnants are still active, but now subsumed under the heading 'Bacrim' (Bandas criminales). In addition, FARC and ELN maintain a military presence, but both demonstrate a strong interest in completing successful peace negotiations with the government, with the most recent agreements being between FARC and the Government. Close Colombian Conflict (1964 -)	
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Colombia VII - Petro Peace Dialogues with Comuneros del Sur (Nariño Regional Process)

Parties	The National Government Delegation (Colombia) The Delegation of Southern Comuneros (Comuneros del Sur) (No individual names are listed as signatories in the text provided.)
Third parties	-
Description	This is the first formal agreement between the Colombian National Government and the armed group Southern Comuneros (Comuneros del Sur), reached through the Roundtable for the Co-construction of Territorial Peace in Nariño. It establishes initial steps toward a bilateral ceasefire including technical committees, a territorial concentration zone for 30% of Southern Comuneros troops, gradual weapons destruction, and humanitarian demining, alongside goodwill commitments to suspend kidnappings, minor recruitment, and anti-personnel mine use. The agreement also provides for a monitoring and verification mechanism and frames these measures as building trust toward broader territorial transformation and the group's transition to civilian and political life.

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Groups

Children/youth	Groups→Children/youth→Other As a first gesture of goodwill, Southern Comuneros commit to suspending kidnappings, the recruitment of minors, and the use of anti-personnel mines.
Disabled persons	No specific mention.
Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

Refugees/displaced persons No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

Women, girls and gender No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

Nature of state (general) No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

Independence/secession No specific mention.

Accession/unification No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/religious leaders The parties will formally request the oversight of this process by the MAPP-OAS, the Netherlands and the Episcopal Conference.
We would like to thank the government of Nariño, the Mission to Support the Peace Process of the Organisation of American States (MAPP-OAS), the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Episcopal Conference of Colombia, and the hospitality of the mayor's office of Samaniego in hosting the third session for the co-construction of territorial peace in Nariño.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution No specific mention.

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication No specific mention.

Mobility/access No specific mention.

Protection measures No specific mention.

Other No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law No specific mention.

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Two months after the official launch of the initiative, the process has achieved significant milestones, reflecting a genuine commitment to peace, which is consolidated with the official establishment of the Roundtable, the de-escalation of violence, territorial transformation, and the transition of the members of Southern Comuneros towards full citizenship and a social and political movement.
The Parties will begin designing the process to establish the first territorial concentration zone before the end of 2024.
In this space, 30% of the Southern Comuneros troops will begin a concentration process in a defined location.
The effective implementation of this agreement will not only contribute to de-escalating violence and facilitating state intervention for territorial transformation, but will also strengthen trust between the parties and the bond with the affected communities.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

**Water or riparian
rights or access** No specific mention.

Security sector

**Security
Guarantees** As a first gesture of goodwill, Southern Comuneros commit to suspending kidnappings, the recruitment of minors, and the use of anti-personnel mines.
Following the launch of comprehensive action against anti-personnel mines in the La Montaña de Samaniego reserve, comprehensive action against mines will be extended to other actors and territories.

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→General commitments
1. Bilateral and Definitive Ceasefire and Cessation of Hostilities (CFHBD): The Parties will begin working at a technical roundtable that will include delegations from the Government and Southern Comuneros, the Public Force, and the Ministry of Defence, with the aim of gradually establishing protocols to achieve a bilateral and definitive ceasefire and cessation of hostilities.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

DDR

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

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Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

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Withdrawal of foreign forces

No specific mention.

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime

No specific mention.

Drugs No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons No specific mention.

Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/ similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism No specific mention.
