

Country/entity	Colombia
Region	Americas
Agreement name	Acuerdo Número 9: Reintegración Integral de Comuneros del Sur para la Paz y la Transformación Territorial
Date	8 Jun 2025
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	Framework/substantive - partial
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Colombia VII - Petro Peace Dialogues with Comuneros del Sur (Nariño Regional Process)

Parties	Government Delegation:
	Carlos Erazo (Head of the National Government Team) Andrei Gómez-Suárez (Representative of the National Government) Ángela María Robledo Gómez (Representative of the National Government) Pablo Pardo Velasco (Representative of the National Government) Comuneros del Sur Delegation: Royer Garzón Alvarado (Representative) Antonio Ovallos (Representative) Lorena Sevillano Ortiz (Representative) Leidy Paola Tapia (Representative) Jaime Eduardo Álvarez Riascos (Representative)
Third parties	Underwriting:
	Alejandra Miller (Director-General of the Agency for Reincorporation and Normalisation) Accompanying Entities: Reina Buijs (Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands) Edelma Gómez (Delegate, Mission to Support the Peace Process of the Organization of American States - MAPP-OAS) Father Paulo Verdugo (Episcopal Conference of Colombia)
Description	This agreement establishes a comprehensive reintegration program for members of the Comuneros del Sur, a dissident faction that split from the National Liberation Army (ELN). The National Government commits to providing education, health, housing, and economic support through the Agency for Reincorporation and Normalisation, while Comuneros del Sur agrees to continue laying down arms and support victims' rights.
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Groups

Children/youth	No specific mention.
Disabled persons	Groups→Disabled persons→Rhetorical 1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... Both the design and implementation of the programme must incorporate differential approaches, with special attention to gender, ethnic, disability, and older persons' perspectives. Groups→Disabled persons→Substantive 1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... (3) former combatants with disabilities and chronic illnesses.
Elderly/age	Groups→Elderly/age→Rhetorical 1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... Both the design and implementation of the programme must incorporate differential approaches, with special attention to gender, ethnic, disability, and older persons' perspectives.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/ national group	Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical 1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... Both the design and implementation of the programme must incorporate differential approaches, with special attention to gender, ethnic, disability, and older persons' perspectives.
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	1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... Both the design and implementation of the programme must incorporate differential approaches, with special attention to gender, ethnic, disability, and older persons' perspectives.
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 No specific mention.

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 **1. Commitments of the National Government**
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Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Other
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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
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The components of the Programme shall be oriented towards strengthening the process of territorial transformation, with a participatory approach, and must ensure the effective involvement of Comuneros del Sur.

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** No specific mention.

Ceasefire No specific mention.

Police No specific mention.

Armed forces No specific mention.

Security sector→DDR→Demilitarisation provisions

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2. Commitments of Comuneros del Sur

As a condition for accessing the Reintegration Programme for Peace and Territorial Transformation, the Comuneros del Sur undertake to continue with the progressive process of laying down arms, in accordance with the provisions of Agreement Number 4: Destruction of War Material of Comuneros del Sur, as well as with other agreements and protocols signed on this matter.

Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes

Introduction

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In addition to the political and technical commitment to reintegration, it is clear that peacebuilding requires economic, social, and community conditions that strengthen this process and enable the overcoming of structural problems such as exclusion, stigmatisation, and discrimination.

These factors directly affect the transition towards full citizenship and contribute to desertion from the process and to the persistence of violence that gravely impacts the department of Nariño.

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**Intelligence
services**

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For Truth, Memory and the Dignification of Victims, whose development is regarded as complementary to and interdependent with the reintegration process.

This commitment also extends to other agreements signed in relation to guaranteeing the rights of victims.

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Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/organised crime	The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... 2. Commitments of Comuneros del Sur ... Participation in the Reintegration Programme shall be subject to compliance with the commitments undertaken by the members of Comuneros del Sur, which shall be recorded in each case, in particular the non-commission of new crimes, as these run counter to the spirit and objectives of this Agreement.
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	1. Commitments of the National Government ... The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... This Agreement shall be applied in conjunction with the other agreements signed by the Roundtable for the Co-Construction of Territorial Peace in Nariño, particularly those related to location and destruction of war material, the development and materialisation of everyday peace, as well as the rights of victims. ... 2. Commitments of Comuneros del Sur ... Likewise, Comuneros del Sur commit to actively contributing to the fulfilment of victims' rights to truth, justice, reparation, and non-repetition, under the terms defined in Agreement Number 6: For Truth, Memory and the Dignification of Victims, whose development is regarded as complementary to and interdependent with the reintegration process. This commitment also extends to other agreements signed in relation to guaranteeing the rights of victims.
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	Transitional justice→Reparations→Symbolic reparations The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... 2. Commitments of Comuneros del Sur ... Likewise, Comuneros del Sur commit to actively contributing to the fulfilment of victims' rights to truth, justice, reparation, and non-repetition, under the terms defined in Agreement Number 6: For Truth, Memory and the Dignification of Victims, whose development is regarded as complementary to and interdependent with the reintegration process.
Reconciliation	Introduction ... In this sense, reintegration promotes peaceful coexistence and reconciliation in the territories where it is implemented.
Implementation	
UN signatory	No specific mention.
Other international signatory	The programme shall apply to the following members of the Comuneros del Sur: ... Accompanying Entities Reina Buijs, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands Edelma Gómez, Delegate, Mission to Support the Peace Process of the Organization of American States (MAPP-OAS)

Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.
International mission/force/ similar	No specific mention.
Enforcement mechanism	No specific mention.
