

Country/entity	Colombia
Region	Americas
Agreement name	Acuerdo sobre comunicaciones de la mesa de diálogos para la paz
Date	5 Feb 2024
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate 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	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Colombia VII - Petro Peace Dialogues with ELN

Parties

Delegation of the Government of the Republic of Colombia:

Vera Grabe Loewcherz - Chief of Government Delegation

Iván Cepeda Castro

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Delegation of the National Liberation Army (ELN):

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Nigeria Rentería
Carlos Rosero
Olga Silva
Dayna Paola Urzola
José Félix Lafaurie
Nicolás Rodríguez (Counselor)

Military Forces Observer:

Manuel Aponte
Fabián Sepúlveda
Simón Pabón
Samuel Galvis
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National Police Observer:

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Guarantor Countries (Witnesses and Depositaries):

Eugenio Martínez Enriquez - Republic of Cuba
Christian Vargas - Federative Republic of Brazil
Jon Otto Brodholt - Kingdom of Norway
Claudia Helietta González Hernández - United Mexican States
Gral. Carlos Martínez Mendoza - Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela
José Luis Paine - Republic of Chile

Permanent Companions:

Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu - Special Representative of the UN Secretary General in Colombia
Mons. Héctor Fabio Henao Gaviria - Delegate for Church-State Relations, CEC

Description

This agreement between the Colombian government and the National Liberation Army (ELN) establishes mechanisms to enhance joint communications and public education about the peace process. The parties agree to create a communications commission with two members from each delegation, publish a compendium of agreements reached through the sixth cycle, develop collaborative content with RTVC (Colombian public broadcaster) for peace communication, create a Peace Dialogue Table website, and develop a joint communication and pedagogy strategy toward a culture of peace.

Agreement document	CO_240205_Acuerdo_sobre_comunicaciones_de_la_mesa_de_diálogos_para_la_paz_EN (opens in new tab) Download PDF
Agreement document (original language)	CO_240205_Acuerdo sobre comunicaciones de la mesa de diálogos para la paz (opens in new tab)
Source of document	https://www.consejeriacomisionadadepaz.gov.co/dialogos-eln/Documents/Acuerdo%2025.pdf

Groups

Children/youth	No specific mention.
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	The Government of the Republic of Colombia and the National Liberation Army (ELN) have agreed to streamline joint communications through the following actions aimed at promoting public awareness and education about the peace process. 1. Create a communications commission made up of two members from each delegation, with their respective advisory teams, whose purpose will be to guide and approve all communications content, as well as to define its handling, in accordance with the agreements of the Peace Dialogue Table. 2. Publish a book compiling a first summary of the agreements reached at the Peace Dialogue Table up to the sixth round. 3. Develop the content of the memorandum of understanding signed by the Peace Dialogue Table with RTVC to carry out communication actions that contribute to understanding and peacebuilding. 4. Create a website for the Peace Dialogue Roundtable that will integrate the developments of the Peace Dialogue Agenda, including the process of public participation in peacebuilding. 5. The contact point will be established during February, and the parties will work and agree on a joint strategy and plan for communications and education towards a culture of peace.
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 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 Rights related issues→Media and communication→Other
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Mobility/access No specific mention.

Protection measures	No specific mention.
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Other	No specific mention.
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Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
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Regional or international human rights institutions	No specific mention.
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Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law	No specific mention.
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State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.
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Judiciary and courts	No specific mention.
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Prisons and detention	No specific mention.
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Traditional Laws	No specific mention.
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Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction	No specific mention.
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National economic plan	No specific mention.
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Natural resources	No specific mention.
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International funds	No specific mention.
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Business	No specific mention.
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Taxation	No specific mention.
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Banks	No specific mention.
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Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights	No specific mention.
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Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	No specific mention.
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Cultural heritage	No specific mention.
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Environment	No specific mention.
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Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.
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Security sector

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
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Ceasefire	No specific mention.
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Police	No specific mention.
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Armed forces	No specific mention.
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DDR	No specific mention.
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Intelligence services	No specific mention.
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Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces	The Government of the Republic of Colombia and the National Liberation Army (ELN) have agreed to streamline joint communications through the following actions aimed at promoting public awareness and education about the peace process. 1. Create a communications commission made up of two members from each delegation, with their respective advisory teams, whose purpose will be to guide and approve all communications content, as well as to define its handling, in accordance with the agreements of the Peace Dialogue Table.
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Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
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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

As witnesses and depositaries

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Permanent Companions, Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations in Colombia

Other international signatory

As witnesses and depositaries

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Christian Vargas, Federative Republic of Brazil

Gen. Carlos Martínez Mendoza, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Jon Otto Brodholt, Kingdom of Norway

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Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

International mission/force/ similar

No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism

No specific mention.
