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Country/entity Colombia

Region Americas

Agreement name Acuerdo No. 28. Acuerdo Sobre El Desarrollo Del Proceso de Participación de La

Sociedad en La Construcción de La Paz

Date 24 May 2024

Agreement status Multiparty signed/agreed

Interim Yes

arrangement

Agreement/conflict Intrastate/intrastate conflict

level

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 'selfdefence' 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 -

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Stage Pre-negotiation/process

Conflict nature Government/territory

Peace process Colombia VII - Petro Peace Dialogues with ELN

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Description

The Government of Colombia and National Liberation Army (ELN) signed an agreement on the need for citizen participation in the peace process. The agreement set out the role of the National Participation Committee (CNP) and laid down the principles and objectives for citizenship participation. It also emphasised the need for both inclusion and security in the participatory process.

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Women, girls and gender

Participation

Participation→Effective participation

1. Objective of the participation process

Through a participatory process that includes the whole of Colombian society, especially men and women who have been historically excluded in the rural and urban world, incorporating differential, population, ethnic, woman's and gender, intergenerational, rights-based and territorial approaches.

According to what the women and men involved in this process have stated, the transformations are focused on the following axes:

It is proposed to dialogue on the following themes for economic transformations:

6. Differential and rights-based approaches

The participation process recognises the need for the voices of women, their diversities and LGBTIQ+ people, as historically excluded subjects, for which this process takes into account economic resources, methodologies and care scenarios, as well as parity spaces, in order to reduce existing gaps in effective participation.

The participation of girls, boys and adolescents will have special protection in accordance with the prevalence of their rights.

Participation→Other

2. Nature and principles of participation

Principles

Participation is:

It calls on all Colombian society as a whole and in all its diversity, especially women and men who have been historically excluded, organised and unorganised society, and sectors sceptical of the political solution.

Equality

No specific mention.

Particular groups of No specific mention. women

International law

No specific mention.

New institutions

No specific mention.

Violence against women

Violence against women→Gender-based violence/VAW (general)

3. Axes of transformation

According to what the women and men involved in this process have stated, the transformations are focused on the following axes:

It is proposed to dialogue on the following themes for economic transformations:

Patriarchal culture and gender-based violence, education as a universal right, educational models and systems, self-education, popular education, territorial approach, interculturality and intersectionality, memory, reconciliation, recognition of the resistances, teaching of national history, knowledge society, information and communication technologies, peace as culture, promotion of the arts, democratisation of information and communication, national identity and cultural diversity, appropriation of territory and culture of care.

7. Guarantees

It allows for the collective construction, and among those who participate, of agreements on care and psychological first aid, with a gender perspective and protection of emotions, which may arise in the spaces for dialogue, incorporating ancestral knowledge and spiritual diversities.

With special attention to victims, among them victims of gender-based violence.

Transitional justice Transitional justice→Past and gender

Participation is:

3. Axes of transformation

According to what the women and men involved in this process have stated, the transformations are focused on the following axes:

Likewise, to develop democracy in all its forms, including those of the political organisation of society and the state, in order to guarantee justice, dignity and well-being for men and women Colombians as a fundamental element in the transformations for peace.

Institutional reform No specific mention.

Development

Development→General

According to what the women and men involved in this process have stated, the transformations are focused on the following axes:

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It is proposed to dialogue on the following themes for economic transformations:

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6. Differential and rights-based approaches

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Implementation

No specific mention.

Other

No specific mention.