

ACCORD FOR COLOMBIA BETWEEN THE COLOMBIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE ELN  
24 November 2001

The national government and the National Liberation Army (ELN) meeting in Havana, Cuba, in the presence of the International Group of Friends, in light of the will to find a political solution to the conflict that ravages the country have agreed to:

1. Formally restart the dialogue process by means of a transitional agenda lasting until the end of the present government.
2. Initiate the convening of meetings between the parties and the different sectors of society.
3. Organize meetings between the parties and the presidential candidates with the objective of strengthening peace as a policy of the State and to guarantee the continuity of the implementation of the transitional agenda.
4. Organize thematic forums abroad in order to generate initiatives and proposals on specific issues of national interest, such as International Humanitarian Law, energy resources, and other issues that will be decided upon between the parties. The conclusions derived from these forums will provide ideas and proposals for the organization of the National Convention by the next government. We will establish a timetable for work in the next meeting.
5. Pursue the convention of a Summit for Peace with the participation of diverse sectors of society and the international community in order to evaluate the achievements, successes, and obstacles faced by the previous dialogue process between the government and the ELN.
6. Organize working groups between spokespersons of the parties in which the following issues will be addressed:
  - i. Ceasefire and an end to hostilities
  - ii. Conflict reduction measures
  - iii. Problems of the energy sector
  - iv. Analysis of the conclusions arrived at in the forums

The first working group will take place on 12 December in Havana.

7. Establish a mechanism so that the regional initiatives for peace can be examined by the spokespersons of the parties, who will be responsible for managing and articulating them

within the peace policy of the national government and the Central Command of the ELN.

We thank the brotherly State and Government of the Republic of Cuba for having offered us the guarantees, hospitality and facilities for our meeting. Similarly we thank the International Group of Friends and the Civil Facilitation Commission for their efforts in furthering this process.

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