

<b>Country/entity</b>	Colombia
<b>Region</b>	Americas
<b>Agreement name</b>	Metodología y Temática para las Discusiones, Comunicado No. 8, Mesa Nacional de Diálogos y Negociación
<b>Date</b>	28 Jan 2000
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	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 - )

<b>Stage</b>	Pre-negotiation/process
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government
<b>Peace process</b>	Colombia III - Arango
<b>Parties</b>	Gobierno Nacional, FARC-EP

**Third parties**

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**Description**

This text is about the topics and methods/processes of discussions for the national thematic committee. It goes into more detail about what topics need analysis and what needs to be looked at (economic and social structure, agrarian policies, natural resource conservation and exploitation).

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**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.

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## **Gender**

**Women, girls and gender** No specific mention.

**Men and boys** No specific mention.

**LGBTI** No specific mention.

**Family** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **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** Page 2, Article 1. Methodology for talks, 1.1.,  
Purpose: Each of the 12 issues on the agenda aim to reach an understanding between the parties, guided by the interest of the Colombian people.

Page 2, Article 1. Methodology for talks, 1.4.,  
The result of the democratic participation process that will take place in parallel to the discussion of the items via public audiences and the other communication channels established for this purpose will serve as an input to the National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation.

**Traditional/religious leaders** No specific mention.

**Public administration** No specific mention.

**Constitution** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## **Human rights and equality**

**Human rights/RoL general** Page 1, Recitals,  
...  
The agenda is based on three large groups of issues:  
a. the social and economic structure  
b. human rights, international humanitarian law and international relations  
c. democracy and the political structure of the state. ...

**Bill of rights/similar** No specific mention.

**Treaty incorporation** Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
...  
c. Exploitation and conservation of natural resources:  
...  
- international treaties;  
...

**Civil and political rights** No specific mention.

**Socio-economic rights** No specific mention.

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### **Rights related issues**

**Citizenship** No specific mention.

**Democracy** Page 1, Recitals,  
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c. democracy and the political structure of the state. ...

**Detention procedures** No specific mention.

**Media and communication** No specific mention.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** Rights related issues→Protection measures→Other  
Page 4, Agreement  
  
c. Exploitation and conservation of natural resources  
☞ environmental protection based on sustainable development.

**Other** No specific mention.

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## **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## **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.

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## Socio-economic reconstruction

**Development or socio-economic reconstruction** Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development  
Page 1, Recitals,

...

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- a. the social and economic structure
- b. human rights, international humanitarian law and international relations
- c. democracy and the political structure of the state. ...

Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,

After analysing the content and definition of each of the points for the social and economic structure, the parties agree to study the set of policies, sectors, instruments and resources that allow the creation of employment, the distribution of income, economic growth and the social development of the country as part of the analysis of the economic and social model. In this respect, we agree that the issue of economic and social development will include the following items, for which talks will be initiated in line with the previously adopted methodology:

a. Economic and social structure:

- review of the model for economic development;
- income distribution policies;
- expansion of internal and external markets;
- stimulation of production through small, medium and large private enterprise;
- support to the solidarity and cooperative economy;
- stimulation for foreign investment that benefits the nation;
- social participation in planning;
- investments in social well-being, education and scientific research.

b. Integrated agrarian policy:

- democratisation of credit, technical assistance, marketing;
- redistribution of unproductive land;
- recovery and distribution of the land acquired through trafficking and/or illegal activities;
- stimulus for production;
- substitution of illegal crops and alternative development.

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In the discussion of the various points for the economic development model that determines the economic and social structure, the parties agree to seek a model based on

the style favoured by the Colombian people, in the context of a globalised world, abstaining

from radical models. The National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation has set a deadline of six months for taking forward the agreed items

**National economic plan** No specific mention.

**Natural resources** Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
...  
c. Exploitation and conservation of natural resources:  
- natural resources and their distribution;

**International funds** No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

**Banks** No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management  
Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
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- redistribution of unproductive land;  
- recovery and distribution of the land acquired through trafficking and/or illegal activities;  
- stimulus for production;  
- substitution of illegal crops and alternative development.  
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**Pastoralist/  
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

**Cultural heritage** No specific mention.

**Environment** Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
...  
c. Exploitation and conservation of natural resources:  
...  
- environmental protection based on sustainable development.  
...

**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.

**DDR** No specific mention.

**Intelligence services** No specific mention.

**Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces** No specific mention.

**Withdrawal of foreign forces** No specific mention.

**Corruption** No specific mention.

**Crime/organised crime** Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
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- redistribution of unproductive land;  
- recovery and distribution of the land acquired through trafficking and/or illegal activities;  
- stimulus for production;  
- substitution of illegal crops and alternative development.  
...

**Drugs** Pages 2-3, Article 2. Initial item to be discussed,  
...  
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- redistribution of unproductive land;  
- recovery and distribution of the land acquired through trafficking and/or illegal activities;  
- stimulus for production;  
- substitution of illegal crops and alternative development.  
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**Terrorism** No specific mention.

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**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.

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**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.

**Related cases** No specific mention.

**Source** Diálogo, negociación y ruptura con las FARC-EP y con el ELN, Biblioteca de la Paz – 1998-2000, Fundación Cultura Democrática, Ed. Álvaro Villarraga Sarmiento, Bogotá D.C., 2009 (book V) p. 192

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