

<b>Country/entity</b>	Colombia
<b>Region</b>	Americas
<b>Agreement name</b>	Protocolo del Mandato del Mecanismo de Monitoreo y Verificacion (MMv) Para el Cese al Fuego Bilateral, Nacional y Temporal (CFBNT), Entre El Gobierno Nacional Y El Ejercito De Liberacion Nacional-ELN
<b>Date</b>	9 Jun 2023
<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 -  
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<b>Stage</b>	Ceasefire/related
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government
<b>Peace process</b>	Colombia VI - Government-ELN post-2015 process

**Parties**

Delegation of the Government of the Republic of Colombia:

José Otty Patiño Hormaza, Head of delegation  
Iván Danilo Rueda Rodríguez, High Commissioner for Peace  
Orlando Romero Reyes  
Rosmery Quintero Castro  
Horacio Guerrero García  
Adelaida Jiménez Cortés  
Carlos Alfonso Rosero  
Olga Lilia Silva López  
Iván Cepeda Castro  
José Félix Lafaurie Rivera  
Dayana Paola Urzola Domicó  
Rodrigo Botero García  
Nigeria Rentería Lozano  
Álvaro Matallana Eslava  
María José Pizarro Rodríguez.

Delegation of the Ejército de Liberación Nacional – ELN:

Pablo Beltrán, Head of delegation  
Aureliano Carbonell  
Bernardo Téllez  
Isabel Torres  
Manuel Gustavo Martínez  
María Consuelo Tapias  
Tomás García Laviana  
Simón Pabón  
Mauricio Iguarán.

**Third parties**

As observer of the armed forces:

Maj. Gen. Hugo Alejandro López Barreto.

As witnesses and depositaries (Guarantor countries):

Glivânia Maria de Oliveira, Federative Republic of Brazil  
Eugenio Martínez Enríquez, Republic of Cuba  
Jon Otto Brødholt, Kingdom of Norway  
Raúl Vergara Meneses, Republic of Chile  
Claudia Helietta González Hernández, United Mexican States  
Gen. Carlos Martínez Mendoza, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.  
Permanent accompanying partners:

Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General  
Msgr. Héctor Fabio Henao Gaviria, Delegate for Church-State Relations, Episcopal  
Conference of Colombia.

**Description** This agreement establishes the structure and responsibilities of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism for overseeing the temporary ceasefire agreed on 8 June 2023. It details the composition and roles of the national, regional, and local bodies of the mechanism, which include members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, the Government of Colombia, ELN, and the Episcopal Conference of Colombia. These bodies are tasked with ensuring compliance with the ceasefire, preventing and resolving incidents, and supporting the peace process. The peace talks panel is designated as the highest decision-making authority on matters related to the ceasefire, based on reports and recommendations from the monitoring mechanism. This protocol is part of a broader effort to de-escalate conflict and advance peace negotiations in Colombia.

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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.

<b>Electoral commission</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Political parties reform</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Civil society</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Traditional/religious leaders</b>	<p><b>1. Components of the national body</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>Two members from the Episcopal Conference of Colombia Locate in agreement</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>3. Regional body</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Composition</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>One member from the Episcopal Conference of Colombia Locate in agreement</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>4. Local body</b></p> <p><b>4.1. Composition</b></p> <p>...</p> <p>One member from the Episcopal Conference of Colombia Locate in agreement</p>
<b>Public administration</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Constitution</b>	No specific mention.

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**Power sharing**

<b>Political power sharing</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Territorial power sharing</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Economic power sharing</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Military power sharing</b>	No specific mention.

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## 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** Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Liberty and security of person  
**2. Role of the national body**

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k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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

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## **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→Media roles  
**2. Role of the national body**

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h. Present periodic evaluations on the implementation of its mandate to the parties and the public.

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At the same time, each component shall communicate with the regional and local bodies through their respective communication channels.

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**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** No specific mention.

**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** No specific mention.

**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.

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### **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.

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## Security sector

**Security  
Guarantees**

No specific mention.

## Ceasefire

Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision

Pursuant to the agreement on a temporary bilateral national ceasefire signed between the Government of Colombia and the Ejército de Liberación Nacional – ELN (National Liberation Army) on 8 June 2023, the present protocol establishes the mandate of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire.

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### **1. Components of the national body**

At least four members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

( Locate in agreement)

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At least three members from ELN

( Locate in agreement)

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### **2. Role of the national body**

a. Ensure the deployment of the members of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism.

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b. Direct the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism and oversee the activities of its regional and local bodies.

( Locate in agreement)

c. Provide technical findings on events that constitute possible incidents under the protocol on specific actions during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire and that, due to their importance, must be addressed by this body.

( Locate in agreement)

d. Support activities related to compliance with the protocols within the framework of its monitoring and verification work.

( Locate in agreement)

e. Perform monitoring and verification tasks to help identify possible incidents.

( Locate in agreement)

f. Make recommendations to the peace talks panel to ensure compliance with the temporary bilateral national ceasefire.

( Locate in agreement)

g. Go into the field to support monitoring and verification activities in cases that require its presence due to their complexity.

( Locate in agreement)

h. Present periodic evaluations on the implementation of its mandate to the parties and the public.

( Locate in agreement)

i. Ensure that the information received from its regional and local bodies is protected and archived.

( Locate in agreement)

j. Maintain constant communication and coordination between its components.

( Locate in agreement)

At the same time, each component shall communicate with the regional and local bodies through their respective communication channels.

( Locate in agreement)

k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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### **3. Regional body**

#### **3.1 Composition**

At least three members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

**Police**

**2. Role of the national body**

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k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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**4. Local body**

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**4.2. Role**

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b. Under the terms of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, the international component shall coordinate as necessary with the members of the local body appointed by the Government of Colombia – public security force and ELN to avoid incidents.

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The member of the local body appointed by the Government of Colombia – public security force shall maintain constant communication with the units of the public security force and other institutions in their respective jurisdictions and, through the established channels, shall be responsible for communicating and coordinating with the representatives of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia all activities related to the temporary bilateral national ceasefire to avoid incidents.

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**Armed forces**

**2. Role of the national body**

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k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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**DDR**

No specific mention.

**Intelligence services**

No specific mention.

**Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces**

**1. Components of the national body**

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At least three members from ELN

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**2. Role of the national body**

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k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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**4. Local body**

**4.1. Composition**

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A communications liaison between ELN fronts and the United Nations Verification Mission

Locate in agreement

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**4.2. Role**

a. The international component shall observe, collect, record and analyse field information relevant to its mandate regarding compliance with the provisions of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire by the Government of Colombia and ELN.

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b. Under the terms of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, the international component shall coordinate as necessary with the members of the local body appointed by the Government of Colombia – public security force and ELN to avoid incidents.

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ELN shall use its own channels to maintain communication with its units to inform and coordinate, together with the representatives of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, all activities related to the temporary bilateral national ceasefire to avoid incidents.

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**Withdrawal of foreign forces**

No specific mention.

**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

#### 4.2. Role

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#### 5. Peace talks panel

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Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General

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### Other international signatory

#### 4.2. Role

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#### 5. Peace talks panel

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As witnesses and depositaries (Guarantor countries):

Locate in agreement

Glivânia Maria de Oliveira, Federative Republic of Brazil

Locate in agreement

Eugenio Martínez Enríquez, Republic of Cuba

Locate in agreement

Jon Otto Brødholt, Kingdom of Norway

Locate in agreement

Raúl Vergara Meneses, Republic of Chile

Locate in agreement

Claudia Helietta González Hernández, United Mexican States

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Gen. Carlos Martínez Mendoza, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

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### Referendum for agreement

No specific mention.

**International mission/force/similar**

**1. Components of the national body**

At least four members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

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**2. Role of the national body**

a. Ensure the deployment of the members of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism.

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e. Perform monitoring and verification tasks to help identify possible incidents.

Locate in agreement

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**3. Regional body**

**3.1 Composition**

At least three members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

Locate in agreement

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**4. Local body**

**4.1. Composition**

At least three members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

Locate in agreement

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**4.2. Role**

a. The international component shall observe, collect, record and analyse field information relevant to its mandate regarding compliance with the provisions of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire by the Government of Colombia and ELN.

Locate in agreement

b. Under the terms of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, the international component shall coordinate as necessary with the members of the local body appointed by the Government of Colombia – public security force and ELN to avoid incidents.

Locate in agreement

ELN shall use its own channels to maintain communication with its units to inform and coordinate, together with the representatives of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, all activities related to the temporary bilateral national ceasefire to avoid incidents.

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**Enforcement mechanism**

Pursuant to the agreement on a temporary bilateral national ceasefire signed between the Government of Colombia and the Ejército de Liberación Nacional – ELN (National Liberation Army) on 8 June 2023, the present protocol establishes the mandate of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism of the temporary bilateral national ceasefire.

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**1. Components of the national body**

At least four members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

Locate in agreement

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**2. Role of the national body**

a. Ensure the deployment of the members of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism.

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b. Direct the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism and oversee the activities of its regional and local bodies.

Locate in agreement

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d. Support activities related to compliance with the protocols within the framework of its monitoring and verification work.

Locate in agreement

e. Perform monitoring and verification tasks to help identify possible incidents.

Locate in agreement

...

g. Go into the field to support monitoring and verification activities in cases that require its presence due to their complexity.

Locate in agreement

...

k. In the event that members of ELN, members of the armed forces, the police or law enforcement agencies, or civilians are deprived of liberty during the temporary bilateral national ceasefire, any component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism shall promptly report the event to the national body, which shall take the appropriate steps to assess and monitor the situation and make the relevant recommendations in accordance with the agreed protocols.

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**3. Regional body**

**3.1 Composition**

At least three members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

Locate in agreement

...

**4. Local body**

**4.1. Composition**

At least three members from the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia

Locate in agreement

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**4.2. Role**

...

ELN shall use its own channels to maintain communication with its units to inform and coordinate, together with the representatives of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, all activities related to the temporary bilateral national ceasefire to avoid incidents.

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d. Receive information from the social monitoring body.

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**Related cases**      No specific mention.

**Source**              No specific mention.

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