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combatants accredited

Office of the High Commissioner for Peace







According to the Agency for Reintegration and Normalization

former combatants (161 women) identify themselves as persons with disabilities.



# **ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL** REINTEGRATION

#### COLLECTIVE **Productive projects**

approved by the National Reintegration Council.



**Projects** have received **funds** 

**Approved** 

Former combatants

Including



**Productive projects** 



Including





**Approximately** 

of accredited former combatants have received financial support for productive projects through mechanisms stipulated in the Peace Agreement.



of accredited women former combatants have benefited from productive projects.



The Government has so far purchased land for three former territorial areas for training and reintegration (TATRs), and is in the process of purchasing land for an additional three.



Visits by health professionals to former territorial areas for training and reintegration (TATRs) have continued without disruptions.

**According** to the Ministry of Health, in 2020:



these health visits were community members.





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# **SECURITY GUARANTEES**

**Territorial Focus are** 

being implemented

have occurred in new

their vicinity.

reintegration areas or in

7

8

8

6

#### **FORMER FARC-EP COMBATANTS**

Since the signing of the Peace Agreement, the Mission has verified:

-252 KILLINGS

(7 WOMEN)

ATTEMPTED HOMICIDES

DISAPPEARANCES



Special Investigations Unit of the Attorney-General's Office

34 CONVICTIONS

20

CONVICTIONS IN TRIAL PHASE

49
ARREST
WARRANTS
ISSUED

SUSPECTS ARRESTED

\*Investigations of attacks against former combatants

National Protection Unit

Since the signing of the Final Agreement,

25 former combatants (all men)

have been killed while awaiting a response to their protection requests. More than

1.000
protection requests
pending evaluation and
implementation.

**78 32** 2017 2018 2021 2019 2020 UNVMC. January 20, 2021 **During the reporting period the Mission** has verified 25 killings of former Of the killings of combatants (3 women, 3 of indigenous former combatants origin and 2 Afro-Colombians), a total of 73 in in 2020: 2020 and 4 in 2021. Occurred in rural areas **75%** ≰ Occurred in municipalities with illicit crops The security situation for former combatants in the border area between Meta, Caquetá and Guaviare departments has Occurred in deteriorated sharply in municipalities where the Development Programmes with a recent months.

The departments with the most killings of former combatants this year were Meta (11), Valle del Cauca (8), Cauca (8), Chocó (7), Putumayo (7) and Nariño (6).



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AN ADDITIONAL

Are under

verification

# SECURITY GUARANTEES FOR COMMUNITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND SOCIAL LEADERS



According to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR):

In 2020

**53** 

HOMICIDES
OF HUMAN RIGHTS
DEFENDERS AND

**SOCIAL LEADERS** 

80

cases are under verification

(including 11 indigenous leaders and 2 Afro-Colombian leaders), 5 of whom were 13

KILLINGS OF LARGE NUMBERS OF CIVILIANS

5

Putumayo

Cauca

12

OF CIVILIANS
Oct to Dec 2020

In 2020, 269 civilians have been killed, including 24 children and 19 women, in 69 such incidents.

# Since the signing of the Peace Agreement:

378 KILLINGS

Including:

• 69 Indigenous Leaders

44 Women

15 Afro-Colombian Leaders

**6** LGBTI persons



Attacks against women social leaders and women human rights defenders continue hindering their participation in the implementation of the Peace Agreement and peacebuilding more broadly.

Of the killings of human rights defenders and social leaders in 2020:

→ **77%**Occurred in rural areas

Ocurred in municipalities with illicit economies especially drug production and illegal

45%

Ocurred in municipalities with Development Programmes with a Territorial Focus.



During 2020, the Office of the Ombudsman issued the highest number of early warnings for municipalities in Chocó, Antioquia and Cauca.



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# **POLITICAL**Reintegration



In November, FARC Senator Griselda Lobo chaired a plenary session of the Senate, becoming the first FARC party member to do so.



Some former combatants involved in local politics have reported stigmatization and security concerns related to their political activity in Caquetá, Huila, Meta and Valle del Cauca.

#### OTHER SECTIONS OF THE AGREEMENT



# **Chapter 1**

#### **Comprehensive rural reform**

Development Programmes with a Territorial Focus.

#### In addition to the

### 1.110

works completed under the development programmes with a territorial focus, 102 are currently being implemented.

Out of the 16 national sectorial plans, 8 have been approved.

Out of 173 projects approved with royalties from hydrocarbon and mineral exploitation, 3 have been concluded and 79 are under way.

Of the 100 projects approved in the "works for taxes" programme with the private sector, 57 are focused on municipalities covered by the development programmes.



## **Chapter 4**

# Substitution of illicit crops

The National
Comprehensive Programme
for the Substitution of Illicit
Crops, continues to be
implemented in 56
municipalities in 14
departments concentrating
65% of the country's coca
crops.



## **99.097** Families

Participating in the Programme



**36.5%** are headed by women.

According to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC):

Compliance by participating families stands at 97% and reseeding is 0.2%



# **Chapter 5**

#### Victims

Comprehensive System of Truth, Justice, Reparations and Non-Repetition

#### Special Jurisdiction for Peace

#### Has made progress in its seven macro-cases.

Several victims' organizations have continued presenting reports on conflict-related sexual violence and calling for the opening of a specific case investigating sexual and gender-based violence.

#### Comprehensive System for Truth, Justice, Reparation and Non-Repetition

The Truth Commission has continued receiving testimonies from actors from different sectors of Colombian society, including former presidents, members of Congress, and other senior State officials, as well as social leaders, members of military forces, and former members of illegal armed groups.

Unit for the Search for Persons Deemed as Missing



Recovered **24 bodies of potential victims of enforced disappearance** in a cemetery in Caldas department.

The Unit also found persons alive who had been declared as missing and helped them reunite with their families.

The Unit began the identification of some of the bodies it has located, using DNA samples from 182 relatives of victims of forced disappearance.