

Country/ entity	El Salvador
Region	Americas
Agreement name	General Agenda and Timetable for the Comprehensive Negotiating Process, Caracas
Date	21 May 1990
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/ conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict (El Salvador Civil War (1979 - 1992))
Stage	Pre-negotiation/process
Conflict nature	Government
Peace process	El Salvador peace process
Parties	<p>Representing the Government of El Salvador: (Signed) Colonel Juan A. MARTINEZ VARELA; (Signed) Mr. Oscar Alfredo SANTAMARIA; (Signed) Colonel Mauricio Ernesto VARGAS; (Signed) Mr. Abelardo TORRES; (Signed) Mr. David ESCOBAR GALINDO; (Signed) Mr. Rafael HERNAN CONTRERAS;</p> <p>Representing the Frente Farabundo Martí para la Liberación Nacional: (Signed) Commander Schafik HANDAL; (Signed) Commander Eduardo SANCHO;(Signed) Ana Guadalupe MARTINEZ; (Signed) Salvador SAMAYOA; (Signed) Dagoberto GUTIERREZ; (Signed) Marta VALLADARES; (Signed) Roberto CANAS;</p>
Third parties	(Signed) Alvaro de SOTO, Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations;
Description	<p>Initial objective to achieve political agreements for halt to armed confrontation and any acts that infringe rights of civilians, including agreement on armed forces; human rights; judicial system; electoral system; constitutional reform; economic and social issues; and verification by the UN. Agenda also to include establishment of necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating members of the FMLN into civilian institutional and political life, and agreements for the consolidation of the objectives of earlier Geneva Agreement. Agreed on schedule and set deadline for achievement of initial paragraph 1 of the Geneva Agreement, for middle of September. Agreed agenda for future negotiations to halt armed confrontation and achieve political agreements; agreement on topics to all into first, second and third phase of negotiations, respectively</p>

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.

Gender

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
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Men and boys	No specific mention.
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LGBTI	No specific mention.
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Family	No specific mention.
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State definition

Nature of state (general)	No specific mention.
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State configuration	No specific mention.
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Self determination	No specific mention.
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Referendum	No specific mention.
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State symbols	No specific mention.
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Independence/ secession	No specific mention.
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Accession/ unification	No specific mention.
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Border delimitation	No specific mention.
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Cross-border provision	No specific mention.
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Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed)	No specific mention.
Elections	<p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>(4) Electoral System</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>4. Electoral system</p> <p>Page 3, B. TIMETABLE</p> <p>... This deadline would offer the additional advantage of helping to ensure that a legislative and municipal electoral process is conducted in an atmosphere of tranquillity, broad participation and freedom from intimidation.</p>
Electoral commission	No specific mention.
Political parties reform	No specific mention.
Civil society	No specific mention.
Traditional/religious leaders	No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making

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(a) First: Political agreements

(5) Constitutional Reform

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II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.

5. Constitutional reform

Page 3, III. Final agreements for the consolidation of the objectives of the Geneva Agreement and verification, where appropriate, by the United Nations.

Note: The sequence of the items listed for each phase does not imply a strict order of consideration and may be changed by mutual consent.

Agreements must be tailored to the nature of the phase involved. Political issues have been placed in their respective phases but, given the complexity of some of them, aspects thereof may be addressed in other phases. All this depends on the dynamic of the negotiations.

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	<p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>... (2) Human Rights</p> <p>(b) Second: Cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population</p>
Bill of rights/similar	No specific mention.
Treaty incorporation	No specific mention.
Civil and political rights	No specific mention.
Socio-economic rights	No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship	No specific mention.
Democracy	No specific mention.
Detention procedures	No specific mention.

Media and communication	No specific mention.
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Mobility/access	No specific mention.
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Protection measures	No specific mention.
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Other	No specific mention.
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Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
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Regional or international human rights institutions	No specific mention.
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Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law	No specific mention.
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State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.
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Judiciary and courts	<p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>(3) Judicial System</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>3. Judicial system</p>
Prisons and detention	No specific mention.
Traditional Laws	No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction	<p>Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>(6) Economic and social issues</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>6. Economic and social issues</p>
National economic plan	No specific mention.
Natural resources	No specific mention.

International funds	No specific mention.
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Business	No specific mention.
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Taxation	No specific mention.
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Banks	No specific mention.
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Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights	No specific mention.
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Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	No specific mention.
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Cultural heritage	No specific mention.
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Environment	No specific mention.
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Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.
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Security sector

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
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Ceasefire	No specific mention.
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Police	No specific mention.
Armed forces	<p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>(1) Armed forces</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>2. Human Rights</p>
DDR	<p>Security sector→DDR→DDR programmes</p> <p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>1. Armed forces</p> <p>7. Reintegration of FMLN members</p>
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	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	(Signed) Alvaro de SOTO, Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations;
Other international signatory	No specific mention.
Referendum for agreement	No specific mention.
International mission/force/similar	<p>Page 2, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>I. The initial objective shall be to reach political agreements which lay the basis for a cessation of the armed conflict and of any acts that infringe the rights of the civilian population, which will have to be verified by the United Nations, subject to the approval of the Security Council.</p> <p>(a) First: Political agreements</p> <p>(7) Verification by the United Nations</p> <p>Page 2-3, A. GENERAL AGENDA</p> <p>II. Establishment of the necessary guarantees and conditions for reintegrating the members of FMLN, within a framework of full legality, into the civil, institutional and political life of the country.</p> <p>8. Verification by the United Nations</p>
Enforcement mechanism	No specific mention.
Related cases	No specific mention.
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