

JOINT DECLARATION OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND THE  
REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS' PARTY IN DON GABRIEL, OVEJAS, SUCRE

28 December 1990

In the town of Don Gabriel in the municipality of Ovejas in the department of Sucre, as part of the peace process, the following parties met on 28 December 1990: for the national government, Jesús Antonio Bejarano A., of the Presidential Council for Reconciliation, Normalisation and Restoration, and Carlos Eduardo Jaramillo C., Gonzalo de Francisco, Tomás Concha, Álvaro Hernández and Gabriel Restrepo, advisers to the Presidential Council; for the Revolutionary Workers Party (*Partido Revolucionario de los Trabajadores*, PRT), leaders and commanders Valentín González, Sergio Sierra and Pablo Roncallo.

As a result of this meeting, the following was agreed:

1. The national government and PRT reaffirm that the purpose of the process is the political solution to the armed conflict, the expansion of democracy in the country, strict respect for human rights and contributing to the reconciliation of Colombians.
2. As a result of the above, PRT announces its willingness to surrender arms and rejoin the country's political, social and economic life as an expression of its desire for peace and a fairer and more democratic society for Colombia.
3. The surrender of arms will take place seven days before the start of the sessions of the National Constitutional Assembly, and arms will be surrendered under a procedure agreed by the parties to a special commission of members from the constitutional assembly, which, in the presence of members of the national government and PRT, will dump the arms into the Caribbean Sea, rendering them unusable for war. Explosives and equipment for the exclusive use of state security bodies will be detonated and incinerated.
4. The national government awards PRT a permanent spokesperson on the National Constitutional Assembly and PRT may engage in the required consultations with the various members of the assembly to allow this spokesperson to attain full rights.
5. Immediately after the surrender of arms, the national government will provide amnesty to PRT members under the terms of the procedure set out in the memorandum of commitment and the decree issued for this purpose.

6. As a fundamental part of the surrender of arms, the national government must provide full guarantees to PRT to allow it to function as a political group. Similarly, as a consequence of the work by the bilateral commissions created in the agreements signed so far, the plans for reinsertion, security, the promotion and defence of human rights, and regional development must be fully underway by the date of the surrender of arms.
7. The national government and PRT will sign a memorandum of commitment as a constituent part of this agreement to guarantee the implementation of and compliance with the agreed matters.