

AGREEMENT REGARDING THE DISCUSSION OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
MODEL, THE NATIONAL ROUNDTABLE FOR DIALOGUE AND NEGOTIATION,
COMMUNICATION NO. 9

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The spokespeople of the national government and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia – People’s Army (*Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia – Ejército Popular*, FARC–EP) on the National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation, present today on 10 March 2000 in Villa Nueva Colombia, Los Pozos, in the municipality of San Vicente del Caguán, to outline the general framework for the participation of the Colombian people in the public audiences, issue the following communication.

RECITALS

1. In line with the provisions of the roundtable, the economic and social development model will aim to create employment, stimulate economic growth, distribute income and promote social development.
2. Each and every Colombian must be covered by this economic and social development model in the pursuit of these four indispensable and irreplaceable elements for delivering peace based on social justice.
3. As such, the National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation, taking forward point 1.2 of the agreement in Communication No. 8, dated 28 January 2000, has reached the following agreement.

AGREEMENT

1. General framework for the topic

The National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation and the National Thematic Committee, via public audiences, will address the issue of creating employment and economic growth based on the following criteria:

- 1.1. *Content and scope of the topic*: employment with economic growth will be studied based on the set of policies, instruments, sectors and resources.

1.2. *Organisation of the topic*: the creation of employment is closely linked to economic growth, covering the set of policies, sectors, instruments and resources to achieve this purpose. In this respect, the National Roundtable for Dialogue and Negotiation and the National Thematic Committee, via the public audiences, will today initiate their study of this issue, in line with the following content.

- Economic growth and employment
- stimulating production through small, medium and large private enterprise
- support for the solidarity and cooperative economy
- stimulating foreign investment that benefits the country
- investment in social well-being, education and scientific research
- natural resources and their distribution
- substitution of illicit crops and alternative development
- democratisation of credit, technical assistance and marketing.

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