

We Too Demand Peace: International Civil Society Organizations Join with Colombians Marching for Peace

Washington, D.C., July 25, 2019.—As Colombians march for peace in their country on July 26, we echo their call for a permanent end to the war that claimed 260,000 lives and forced 8 million people, the majority from Afro-descendant and indigenous communities, and mostly women and children, to flee their homes.

We join their call for the Colombian government to protect the social leaders building peace in their communities. Hundreds have been killed since the peace accords were signed in 2016, while many more live under the constant pressure of daily threats and attacks. This tragedy must end.

We vigorously support their demand that the Colombian government fully and faithfully implement the peace accords signed between the government and the FARC guerrillas—or this once-in-a-lifetime chance for peace will be lost.

Finally, we call on the United States and the international community at large to back the effective implementation of the peace accords wholeheartedly.

We stand in solidarity with the millions of Colombians who are struggling to build a just, complete, and lasting peace and who tomorrow say **#26deJulioElGrito**.

Signed

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Acción Solidaria

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Amazon Watch

Asistencia Legal por los Derechos Humanos A.C. (ASILEGAL)

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Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL)

Center for Reproductive Rights

Centro de Derechos Humanos Fray Bartolomé de Las Casas, A.C. - México

Centro de Derechos Humanos y Ambiente (CEDHA)

Centro de Documentación en Derechos Humanos "Segundo Montes Mozo S.J." (CSMM)

Chicago Religious Leadership Network on Latin America (CRLN)

Christian Peacemaker Teams

Ciudadanos en Apoyo a los Derechos Humanos, A.C. (CADHAC)

CIVICUS - World Alliance for Citizen Participation

Colombia Grassroot Support, New Jersey
Colombia Human Rights Committee, Washington DC
Comisión Ecuménica de Derechos Humanos
Comisión Mexicana de Defensa y Promoción de los Derechos Humanos
Comité de América Latina y el Caribe para la Defensa de los Derechos de las Mujeres
Convergencia por los Derechos Humanos
Coordinadora Nacional de Derechos Humanos
Corporación Humanas Chile
CSW
Defensor de derechos humanos en México
Equipo de Reflexión, Investigación y Comunicación de la Compañía de Jesús en Honduras
(ERIC-SJ)
Forest Peoples Programme
Global Witness
International Institute on Race, Equality and Human Rights (Race and Equality)
International Labor Rights Forum
International Rivers
InterReligious Task Force On Central America and Colombia
Jesuit Conference Office of Justice and Ecology
Latin America Working Group (LAWG)
Movimiento Autónomo de Mujeres, Nicaragua
Mujeres Libres COLEM, A.C.
Grupo de Mujeres de San Cristóbal Las Casas, A.C.
NJ Peace Council
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Pan African Human Rights Defenders Network
Paz y Esperanza
Presbyterian Church USA
Presbyterian Peace Fellowship
Red Para la Infancia y la Adolescencia de El Salvador (RIA)
Redes por los Derechos de la Infancia (REDIM)
Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights
Servicio Internacional para los Derechos Humanos (ISHR)
United Church of Christ, Justice and Witness Ministries
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