## Santos calls for extra legislative sessions to legalize FARC "areas of concentration"

President Santos will call for extra legislative sessions to <u>change the law</u> that governs demobilization of the FARC. This legal reform will enable the GOC to provide personal security and legal guarantees to the FARC within established areas of concentration.

## Santos and government negotiators prepare the final phase of the peace process

Last Thursday President Santos, the GOC negotiating team and international advisers <u>met</u> to discuss the end of the conflict, including setting aside arms and "reincorporation," as well as the referendum mechanism. Peace talks resumed on Wednesday January 13 and are planned to continue without pause with the goal of reaching a final agreement in March.

## Rapid response strategy rolls out

Post-Conflict Minister Rafael Pardo, <u>presented</u> elements of the GOC's rapid response strategy (aiming largely to build confidence in the peace process) to start in the short term, including accelerated provision of reparations to victims and humanitarian demining in 20 municipalities.