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2. Summary Table – This Quarter

Organization: International Organization for Migration – Colombia

Reporting Period:	January 1 st to March 31 st , 2008
New Projects Approved:	25
New Project IOM Financial Obligations:	
Total Expenses for Reporting Period:	

Table 1. Projects Approved this Quarter - by Component, Beneficiaries

Component	Projects Approved	Number of Beneficiaries*
A. Tracking and Monitoring	-	-
B. Support to GOC Reintegration Program	1	-
C. Oversight Ombudsman/IG	-	-
D. Support to the Demobilized Population	18	3.966
E. Verification to the Process	-	-
F. National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation	6	3.265
G. Support to the Attorney General's office	-	-
TOTAL	25	7.231

*The total refers to all program beneficiaries. (For beneficiary breakdown by type, see Annex 4).

3. Summary Table – Year to Date

Organization: International Organization for Migration – Colombia

Total Projects Approved:	154
Total Project IOM Financial Obligations:	██████████
Total Expenses Year to Date (YTD):	██████████

Table 2. Projects Approved Year-to-Date (YTD) - by Component, Beneficiaries

Component		Projects Approved	Number of Beneficiaries*
A.	Tracking and Monitoring	4	351
B.	Support to GOC Reintegration Program	10	3.791
C.	Oversight Ombudsman/IG	2	86
D.	Support to the Demobilized Population	93	29.083
E.	Verification to the process (OAS)	3	0
F.	Reparation and Reconciliation	38	33.733
G.	Support to the Attorney General's Office	4	184
TOTAL		154	67.228

*The total refers to all program beneficiaries. (For beneficiary breakdown by type, see Annex 4).

**US dollar amount calculated at exchange rates indicated in Annex 6.

4. Executive Summary

1.1 General Analysis

During the past quarter four (25) new projects were approved, as per table 1, for a total of USD [REDACTED]. Up to date, 154 total projects have provided **67.228** services to beneficiaries². Additionally, as shown on table 2, a total of USD [REDACTED], has been obligated by IOM to date. The year-to-date breakdown of projects per component is: Tracking and Monitoring, 2.6%; Support to GOC Reintegration Program, 6.5%; Oversight Ombudsman/IG, 1.3%; Support to the Demobilized Population, 61%; Verification to the Process, 2%; National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation, 24%; and Support to the Attorney General's office, 2.6%.

1.2 Component Summary

Tracking and Monitoring

The discussions with the ACR about the role of IOM and the TMES teams continued. The information regarding individual ex combatants is currently being systematized in the TMES.

Support to GOC Reintegration Program

During this quarter an agreement was signed with the Office of the High Commissioner for Reintegration in order to support the organization of the First DDR International Congress to be held in Cartagena on May 4, 5 and 6. The Congress will be a space to share different countries and experts experiences, opinions and lessons learned in the field of DDR processes. The main objective is to highlight the importance of reintegration based on communities as the best way to guarantee the long term accomplishment of social and economic reinsertion of demobilized persons.

Also, IOM hired three consultants for the ACR as a way to provide technical assistance.

Oversight Ombudsman/IG

During the first quarter Mr. Alejandro Ordoñez was appointed as new Inspector General. At the Ombudsman Office, Volmar Perez was ratified as Head of this institution. This ratification will guarantee the continuation of the activities that have been developed jointly between the Ombudsman Office and IOM.

Support to the Demobilized Population

A total of nineteen (18) new projects were signed for value of USD [REDACTED] (IOM's Contribution) and with the objective of assisting 3,966 beneficiaries. The projects focus on providing human development attention, vocational and labor training, employment, productive projects that include activities such as cultivating chili pepper, rubber, pepper and paprika, implementing a strategy to improve the commercialization of solid and liquid humus.

² Attention can be provided to repeated individual beneficiaries and therefore the total number of services can surpass the total number of demobilized individuals. Additionally, this number includes not only ex-combatants, but also related family members, victims, staff members, institutions, and other types of beneficiaries.

Verification to the Process

During this quarter, MAPP/OEA performed their duties under a new Chief of Mission (Mr. Marcelo Alvarez). Likewise, a new intention letter (number 3) was signed between IOM and MAPP/OEA, allowing the continuation of the project until September 30th 2009.

National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation (CNRR)

During the first quarter of 2009, the Support Program to the National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation continued to provide technical and financial support to the institution. The first version of the document about National Experiences of Reconciliation was reviewed and commented. The project of reconciliation in Bogota presented significant achievements. Teams of lawyers and psychologists were hired in the last three months as part of the support provided to the Ombudsman's Office in its role of attending and counseling victims throughout the country. Progress was also made regarding the collective reparation pilots and the strategy of "*minimos vitales*".

Support to the Attorney General's Office

During this quarter IOM continued supporting the Attorney General's Office with staff located in Bogotá, Medellín and Barranquilla. IOM also helped to organize identification gatherings with relatives of missing persons and ceremonies of return of remains. All of these activities were developed in coordination with the Justice and Peace Unit.

5. DDR Notes

1.3 National Context

EL MUNDO, March 3rd 2009. Administrative Compensation is already being seen

In three months the first payments of administrative compensation for the victims of the armed conflict would begin.

Economic compensations start from 27 to 40 minimum wages and could be received by those victims or family victims' that have suffered tortures, homicides, forced disappearance, kidnapping, personal and psychological injuries that do not cause permanent disability, crimes against freedom and sexual integrity and illegal conscription of under age people.

Jaime Jaramillo Panesso, Antioquia's regional commissioner of the National Commission for Reparations and Reconciliation (CNRR), explained that "the different institutions committed (in the compensation issue) calculate that the first acts of compensation will take place in about three months" also said "the total amount the National Government estimates are [REDACTED], that will be distributed in 10 years to each of the families that result selected and have been certified as real victims".

EL TIEMPO, March 4th 2009. Seven thousand demobilized would abandon reintegration program. New criminal bands strike victims and reinserted people in 153 municipalities: OEA.

The risk of the emerging bands has at stake the success of paramilitary reinsertion and the security of the victims in 153 municipalities of the country, and the new criminal groups have consolidated a narcotraffic corridor from Urabá to the border with Venezuela.

This is the statement of MAPP/ OEA, in its last report (that it would be the last of Sergio Caramagna as Chief of the delegation in Colombia) advises that "the presence of armed groups constitutes a threat that not only affects communities but also impacts the reintegration process of former combatants, as well as the search for truth, justice and the victims reparation".

Five years after his arrival to the country, Caramagna and his team consider that the paramilitaries "are not what it used to be". However, the good effects of disarmament are no longer felt or never were felt in 28 zones in which the presence of cultivations, routes and laboratories is evident and were there is still violence, besides the Police and Army strikes have been reduced in a 52% the number of criminal bands compared to 2006.

In these regions, says OEA, there is a concrete pressure on the demobilized population to return to the criminal life, "which has lead in some cases to relapse, as well as the death and displacement of these people".

6. Program Components

1.4 Tracking and Monitoring

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

OBJECTIVE

The Monitoring and Evaluation System provides technical support to the Reintegration Process through different activities:

- Service Centers (*Centros de Servicio –CS-*)
- The Tracking, Monitoring, and Evaluation System (TMES)
- The TMES database

Up to date, there are twenty (20) TMES in fixed Service Centers –CS- and ten (10) TMES Satellite Centers:

- Antioquia (with a TMES satellite in Puerto Berrío and Quibdó)
- Apartadó (with a TMES satellite in Necoclí, San Pedro and Riosucio)
- Barrancabermeja (with a TMES satellite in Santa Rosa del Sur)
- Barranquilla
- Bogotá
- Bucaramanga
- Cali (with a TMES satellite in Pasto)
- Caucasia
- Cartagena
- Cesar/Guajira (with a TMES satellite in Aguachica)
- Cúcuta
- Ibagué
- Medellín
- Mobile
- Montería
- Pereira
- Quibdó
- Santa Marta (with a TMES satellite in Ariguaní)
- Sincelejo
- Tierralta
- Villavicencio (with a TMES satellite in Yopal)

ADVANCES

- Debugging, verification and systematization of **16,244** registers of individual ex combatants³ in the TMES database.
- **2,552** new folders were created of individual ex combatants with their own documentation.

³ Individual ex combatants are the persons who desert from the active armed groups e.g. FARC.

- Evaluation and approval of the pilot test completed in the TMES of Montería, Bogotá, Cali, Apartadó and Móvil, in order to determine the feasibility of supporting the ACR in typing the RAP (*Reporte de Asistencia Psicosocial*, Psychosocial Assistance Report).
- Design and development of a pilot test in all TMES nationwide, in order to register the participants' contact information in the CRM (The new software platform).
- Creation in the TMES of the Productive Projects' Document.
- **1,106** beneficiaries of productive projects were updated in the TMES.
- Creation of the Vocational Profiles form in the TMES.
- Updating of **14,375** registers of Vocational Profiles in TMES.
- Permanent follow up to the agreement among the ACR - CROJ⁴- TMES in order to collect the information about the assistance to educational programs of the participants attended by the CROJ and the reports to ACR with aims of adjusting the proceedings and debugging the database.
- The TMES continued to gather, systematize and report the information about formal education and vocational training received by demobilized population. These reports are the base for the participants' payments of the transportation benefit and support for reintegration.
- Design of the quantitative reports about warnings for each of the benefits that the ACR offers.
- During this period **47,716** registers about new activities were updated in the database.
- The regional TMES teams were visited by the national team to evaluate the quality of the information.

The following reports were produced during this period:

- ❖ Characterization of the individual former combatants.
- ❖ Reports every 2 months on the program's achievements and access to the benefits received by the people attended in the CS.
- ❖ 3 monthly reports on issues that should raise alert in the CS.
- ❖ 3 monthly reports submitted to the ACR
- ❖ 3 consolidated education registration formats
- ❖ Weekly and monthly reports

These reports were prepared with the purpose of determining the evolution of the beneficiaries within the program and the service provision by the Reintegration Program. The information was organized both by service centers (CS) and by demobilized blocs.

1.5 Support to GOC Reintegration Program

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

Under the project to provide technical assistance to the ACR a group of three people were hired. One of them is responsible for the economic reintegration area. This area is in charge of providing the vocational training offer for the demobilized population, identifying, evaluating and implementing productive projects and finding employment opportunities for this population.

⁴ CROJ are the Reference and Opportunity Centres that serve ex combatants who demobilized as children.

The second person leads the international area of the ACR. The main responsibility of this area is to advise the High Commissioner for Reintegration in his responsibility of communicating the government's reintegration policy abroad.

Finally a new position was created to coordinate all the persons responsible for each of the areas accountable for delivering services to former combatants.

BUDGET

Table 3. Support to GOC Reintegration Program Budget

Projects Approved for Support to GOC Reintegration Program	Number of Beneficiaries
A. Support to CIDDR	0
TOTAL	0

1.6 Oversight Ombudsman/IG

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

A. Defensoría del Pueblo or National Ombudsman's Office

During this quarter two (2) of the seven (7) technicians required by the Project were hired. No progress has been registered so far in the training and systematization of the information of the SIG (*Sistema de Información Georreferenciado*).

ADVANCES

During this quarter work continued to be done concerning the reception and attention to the petitions within the different regional offices where the project is being developed. Through the work done by the technicians and observers of the project, **221** complaints were received, **30 persons** were counseled and **662** requests attended. It is very important to note that the number of complaints registered an increase of **315%**, while the number of requests increased by **222%**.

Table 4. Transactions completed by region

Region	No. Complaints	No. Cases Advised	No. Requests
Antioquia - Urabá	0	11	10
Cesar and Magdalena	48	13	34
Norte de Santander - Santander	12	4	608
Córdoba y Sucre	161	11	10
TOTAL	221	39	662

In the case of Cesar, the Ombudsman Office underlines the presence of new armed groups, apparently conformed by demobilized population from Cesar, south of Guajira and Magdalena. These new armed groups are using threatening practices such as the distribution of leaflets and messages against civilian population.

In Santander, the great majority of requests share a common pattern: the lack of definition regarding the military status of the participants in the process. This situation has led to a proposal from the Ombudsman's Office to the Fifth Brigade of the Army in order to implement documentation sessions.

The Ombudsman has not issued the Resolution that was agreed in the framework of the project.

During this quarter progress could not be made regarding the beginning and systematization of the *Sistema de Información Georreferenciado (SIG)*, due to internal difficulties. This delay has not facilitated the recollection of important information related to the demobilized population or the receptor communities. This information could allow the Ombudsman to act directly in the formulation of a public policy in this matter. At the end of the quarter there isn't an estimated date for the training of the consultants hired for the SIG.

Two of the seven consultants that were approved to be hired during the last quarter were actually hired. The process of the other five (5) is still pending.

The coordination of the Project has visited Medellín, Cauca and Apartadó with the purpose of verifying the situation in these zones regarding the beneficiaries' situation.

During the next quarter a Budget review must be performed in order to establish the priorities for the last two quarters of the project.

B. Procuraduría (Inspector General's Office)

The new Inspector General took office on January 13, 2009, as well as the delegates for Human Rights and Public Ministry. These delegates are responsible for the coordination and execution of the activities of the project.

The Project has not been affected by these internal changes. It is important to underline that the activities and objectives have been accomplished as planned.

ADVANCES

During this quarter the following achievements must be highlighted regarding the administrative benefits:

- The third cycle of application of the evaluation and training model in the five (5) focalized departments was finalized.
- The database created to analyze the information gathered during the visits to the reviewed institutions was updated.
- A total of twenty three (23) employees of the Inspector General Office were trained in the third cycle.

For the component of judicial benefits, the results for this quarter are:

- Forty nine (49) cases of lawsuits against public employees and members of the armed forces that had relations with illegal armed groups were registered.
- One hundred and seventy eight (178) “*versiones libres*” were registered, in application of the Justice and Peace Law, for a total, so far, of **1,682**.
- Five hundred and fifty (550) victims’ registries in actions awarded to the illegal armed groups were registered, for a total of 73,773 to date.
- Three hundred and eight (308) cases of child recruitment were registered during this quarter.
- A deputation and filtering of the property and goods related to the demobilization process was performed. So far **1,535** registries of goods have been done in Norte de Santander, and **1,962** in Santander.
- Three hundred and fifty three (353) requests for integral reparation were presented to the Justice and Peace High Tribunal.
- Useful information was included during the quarter for the benefit of the Judicial Prosecutors.

1.7 Support to the Demobilized Population

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

Regarding Urban Productive Projects, during this quarter five (5) agreements were signed with *Grupo Gestion Ltda.*, *Secretariado Arquidiocesano de Pastoral Social Caritas*, *San Isidro*, *San Jeronimo* and *Indufrial* Foundations, in order to identify, formulate and implement productive initiatives for demobilized population in the Departments of Meta, Cordoba and Bolivar. The projects include four components to accomplish socio-economic reintegration: vocational training, employment, productive projects and human development activities. Also an agreement with BIPROCOL was signed aimed to develop and implement a strategy to improve the commercialization of solid and liquid humus. Project activities include identification of potential clients and field trials of the products to demonstrate its benefits and technical assistance for costumers.

Finally, a project aimed to identify and implement employment and income generation activities for 850 demobilized persons in Urabá, Montería, Santa Marta, Valledupar and Bucaramanga was approved and will be implemented by “Confecamaras”.

Framed under the Rural Productive Projects subcomponent, three projects were approved to implement chili pepper cultivations, two in the Department of Cesar, executed by COMEXA S.A. and one in the Department of Meta, implemented by the “*Asociación de Municipios del Alto Ariari*”. Also, another agreement was signed with COMEXA S.A. aimed to develop a social and entrepreneurial training and strengthening program for the beneficiaries of the chili pepper projects in the Cesar Department. Two more agreements were signed with the “*Asociación Agroindustrial Colombiana*” and *Betanci* Corporation to formulate feasibility studies of potential productive initiatives for demobilized persons in the Departments of Sucre and Córdoba.

Another agreement to implement monitoring and evaluating activities within the project of establishment of rubber and pepper cultivation in Cimitarra, Santander, was signed with A&T, in order to verify the accomplishments of the project and recommend actions for future improvement. Finally, an agreement with Tucán Corporation S.A. was signed in order to develop

technical skills on paprika cultivation and generate employment for 34 demobilized and 12 other persons in Fonseca, Guajira Department.

Regarding Human development two agreements were signed, one with the Medellin Mayorality's Peace and Reconciliation Program, aimed to support and strengthen economic reintegration process through labor accompaniment of the beneficiaries, and another with the "*Corporación Retoños*" in order to promote and support social reintegration through psychosocial assistance of demobilized persons and their families in San Martín, Meta.

Framed on the Vocational Training sub-component an agreement was signed with ACR to support technical education processes of a group of participants. The project includes four components: Beneficiaries selection, Training centers identification, quotas adjudication and monitoring activities.

Human Development

During the first quarter of 2009, a series of changes have been implemented in the human development component due to the adjustments in the intervention done by the ACR. From now on, the participants will receive human development services based on the progress achieved by each of them. There will be different levels of intensity and involvement in these activities. The ACR psychologists will be responsible of assessing the level of attention each individual must receive.

- ***Ventajas Kompetitivas***: A joint effort is being done by *Ventajas Kompetitivas* and the technical operator of the project to identify the reasons why a part of the project's participants are not involved in the activities. *Ventajas Kompetitivas* is also planning a series of activities to overcome this difficulty.
- ***COMFACESAR***: The former combatants who have finished the human development activities will be certified in a ceremony that is being coordinated with the regional office of the ACR. Simultaneously, activities with another group of individuals are beginning by elaborating a diagnosis and extracting useful information from the vocational profiles.
- ***Rehabilitación Integral del Norte***: This Project is in the first phase of implementation. The sub grantee is working with the Humanitas Cooperative and the regional ACR office to coordinate the activities and stimulate the participation of the demobilized population.

Formal Education

- ***CEPAR***: During this period the hiring process of the seven teachers and one clerk was concluded. Therefore, on March the Sunday sessions began with an average assistance of seventy five people.

Urban Productive Projects

In this period, there are advances in the formulation, contracting and implementation of 9 integral projects, which will serve approximately **1,200** beneficiaries, in Bolivar, Cesar, Meta and

Córdoba Departments. As well, there are in contracting process 2 more integral projects which will beneficiate **325** former combatants in the metropolitan areas of Santa Marta and Barranquilla.

Also, 2 productive projects were formulated and are in the contracting process. These projects are:

- **Plastic recycling in Montelibano, Córdoba**, for **14** beneficiaries.
- **Yam (ñame) exportation in Sincelejo, Sucre**, which will provide employment for **26** beneficiaries.

In addition, **3** productive projects were formulated, which are being evaluated by the operators.

During this quarter, the project MOVER of CHF ended. This project financed a total of **183** micro projects in the cities of Valledupar and Monteria, beneficiating more than **280** persons. The following projects are finalizing: Ecotures in Monteria, which have trained **16** beneficiaries in tourism issues and *Minuto de Dios* in Bogota and Medellin, in which a total of **55** beneficiaries were working in the project.

Rural Productive Projects

In this quarter, co-financing was completed with the Governor's Office of Cesar for [REDACTED] pesos for productive projects that will be implemented for the cultivation of chili pepper in the municipalities of Codazzi and El Copey. The operator and commercial partner COMEXA started the development of the social- corporate component for 90 participants.

In this period, a cacao project will be jointly designed with *Agrotropical* in Codazzi, Cesar. This company will carry out a technical study and the technological package transference.

The first project to offer labor incentives for the Caribbean coast was formulated with funds from SENA and IOM. *TUCAN* Corporation will transfer the technological package of paprika cultivation to 34 demobilized and 12 people of the nearby community.

Indacol SAT was contracted to formulate three agricultural projects, 2 in Valencia and 1 in Tierralta- Cordoba, to providing employment to 127 demobilized in the area. Also, *Betanci* Corporation was contracted to formulate projects in Sucre, Monteria y Cordoba.

Probabilities are being explored in Magdalena and Cesar with organizations that are willing to hire demobilized staff and replicate the model achieved with **TUCAN** Corporation.

ADVANCES

- **Palm Tree- El Retén, Magdalena.** The installation project of **550** hectares of palm tree in El Retén, Magdalena, is investing the programmed funds from the approved credit, starting with the land preparation activities. The participants have showed more involvement in the project activities and within the cooperative.
- **Monomacho- Turbo, Antioquia:** Up to date, **92** demobilized are working and have cultivated 50 hectares of cacao and 100 hectares of plantain in order to plant cacao afterwards. (Agro-forest system). In the next quarter, the planting of 100 new hectares of

plantain is expected, as well as the construction of a seedlings nursery with capacity for 250.000 cacao seedlings. Next quarter the total number of beneficiaries of the project will be completed.

- **Procaucho- Cimitarra, Santander:** Up to date, 106 hectares of rubber tree have been planted. With the funds from the Governor's Office of Santander and the credit the planting plans will be carried out.
- **CTA Humanitas- Tibú, Norte de Santander:** A total of **192** members have joined the Cooperative. It is expected to complete the number of beneficiaries in the following months and to define a productive project that could give sustainability to the cooperative.
- **Chili pepper Ariari- San Martin, Meta:** An agreement with the Governor's Office of Meta was signed, in order to establish Jalapeño pepper. It is expected that this project will benefit 40 demobilized. The support of ACR and *Tejido Humano* as donation is expected, as well as the support of *TUCAN* Corporation S.A. and the Governor's Office of Meta as investors.

BUDGET

Table 5. Support to the Demobilized Population Budget

Projects Approved for Support to the Demobilized Population	Number of Beneficiaries
A. COMEXA in Codazzi, Cesar	50
B. COMEXA in El Copey , Cesar	40
C. COMEXA Training activities in Cesar	90
D. BIPRO	180
E. Medellín's Mayor Office	441
F. ACR-ECAPS	1527
G. Corporación Retoños	170
H. Confecámaras	862
I. Fundación San Jerónimo	100
J. Grupo Gestión	85
K. Tucan corporation S.A.	46
L. Corporacion Betanci	0
M. Asociación de Municipios del Alto Ariari-AMA	40
N. A&T	0
O. Fundación Indufrial	200
P. Fundación San Isidro	50
Q. Sociedad Agroindustrial Colombiana - INDACOL-SAT	0
R. Caritas- Villavicencio	85
TOTAL	3.966

1.8 Verification to the Process

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

During this quarter the following achievements are worth mentioning regarding the follow-up and strengthening of the component of local initiatives:

- Fifteen (15) visits were done to communities from Norte de Santander, Nariño, Urabá, Tierralta (Córdoba), Libertad (Sucre), Medellín, San Carlos in Antioquia, Florida and Pradera (Valle del Cauca).
- During this period the twenty three (23) profiles of the initiatives were done.
- Twenty two (22) meetings were held with ACR, the regional offices of the NCRR, governorships, community radio stations, local Readers, the Police, the Inspector General Office, the General Attorney Office, and other institutions identified as strategic actors in the verification process.
- All the initiatives have a sensitization and diagnosis line.
- One (1) workshop with demobilized population about conflict prevention was done. Conferences to youngsters were given in Urabá.

- Articulated and coordinated planning was crafted along with state institutions regarding attention to victims and the reintegration processes. Local institutions and associations participated as well.
- Five (5) gathering with victims were performed in the northeast region of Santander.
- Four (4) formation Workshops with victims were done as part of the POVNS Project in Norte de Santander.
- Twenty one (21) initiatives were finalized after achieving 100% of their objectives.
- One (1) initiative presents a 45% of execution.
- One (1) project presents a 45% of execution.

The Mission executed at least 650 visits during this quarter to 130 communities with the purpose of monitoring the public order situation; follow-up the process of reintegration of ex-combatants of the AUC; and monitoring the application of the Peace and Justice Law.

The follow-up and monitoring to the application of the Justice and Peace Law has allowed the consolidation of the OAS Mission as the only international organization that performs this duty in a permanent basis. This situation has had a positive effect in the victims who feel more secure in their participation in the process. The members of the MAPP/OEA participated in 29 “*versiones libres*” and 13 judicial sessions throughout the country. Based on this actions a report was elaborated discriminating by activity, that helped to systematize the information on the national level.

The Analysis Unit continued with the systematization of the information, which allowed them to obtain important inputs for the elaboration of the 12th Quarterly Report that will be presented to the Secretary General. This report includes an evaluation of the process after five years of the first demobilization (*Bloque Cacique Nutibara*)

During this quarter the Third Intention Letter was signed between IOM and MAPP/OEA marking the end of the activities on September 30th, 2009. Additionally, the last payment was made during the quarter for a total value of USD 388.500.

1.9 National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation (CNRR)

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

During this period six (6) agreements were signed: 1) with the “*Corporación Conciudadanía*” in order to support and accompany victims from the Antioquia Department that are going through land restitution processes. 2) With the National Ombudsman’s Office aimed to develop institutional strengthening activities for the implementation of the psychological and legal strategy for victims’ assistance in the Departments of Arauca, Cundinamarca, Cordoba, La Guajira, Valle del Cauca, Putumayo, Cauca, Santander, Atlántico and Sucre. 3) With the Jorge Tadeo Lozano University to design and implement a productive project in order to improve victims’ income and food security in La Libertad, Municipality of San Onofre, Sucre. 4) An agreement with the *Corporación por la Reconciliación* was signed to carry out a project aimed to search for alternatives for 19.000 demobilized persons that have not defined their legal situation. 5) With “*Merquemos juntos*” to establish a milk processing plant in Barrancabermeja, Department of Santander, as a productive initiative for 110 victims. 6) An agreement to implement the interinstitutional Justice and Peace Law database.

Reparation:

Objective: Support the process of collective reparation pilots as inputs and models for the formulation of a National Collective Reparation Plan.

Activities:

- By the end of the first quarter of 2009, IOM continues to provide technical assistance to the NCCR regarding the process of collective reparation and the formulation of a National Plan for Collective Reparation. Additionally, financial support continues to specific projects in seven collective reparation pilots. In order to complete activities in all of the pilots, and extension was approved until May 31st, 2009. During these months the NCCR will complete the processes with the Union Movement Pilot (Córdoba University). The progress and achievements for each pilot are referred underneath.

Libertad (San Onofre-Sucre):

The following projects were finalized during this quarter:

- Water treatment project that benefited 850 families of Libertad, Arroyo Seco and Sabanetica through: i) the training of an individual of each family; ii) the installation of 750 water tanks in Libertad and Arroyo Seco and of 75 water filters in Sabanetica, and iii) the donation to each family in Libertad and Sabenita of kits with water treatment chemicals.
- Construction of a sanitation facility that will benefit 300 minors attending la Libertad School.
- Construction of a sport facility that will allow the accommodation of approximately 100 people in the sport site and will benefit the entire **7,000** population of Libertad. As a result of a unified community request USAID agreed to build a second sport site accommodation facility that fill be ready in a month.

The inauguration of these projects with representatives of USAID, the NCCR and IOM is expected to take place during the month of May.

El Salado (Carmen de Bolívar-Bolívar): in addition to the improvement of the health facility which is currently being built by IOM, this pilot will include the construction during this coming quarter of a computer center for el Salado's School.

ATCC-La India (Cimitarra/Landázuri-Santander): 1) after an extensive market study, a WAIVER was required from USAID in order to buy a specific engine for the canoes. Japanese engines work better, are cheaper and have a better representation/distribution that the American (Mercury). Meanwhile the wooden canoes are being built by a person close to the ATCC and with vast experience in this matter. 2) Equipment and supplies for three health centers in La India, La Pedregosa and Santa Rosa were bought during this quarter. 3) Equipment such as computers, printers, cameras and desks were also bought. Given the high prices of the transportation to La India, these articles will be sent together. 4) The equipment for the functioning of the community radio station was identified with ATCC leaders, and will be purchased in the following weeks. 5)

The improvement and completion of ATCC Headquarters was advanced after a visit of IOM's architect. Works will begin shortly. 6) Three professionals will be hired in the following month to help ATCC to formulate their collective reparation plan in order to present it to the National Government.

La Gabarra (Tibú-Norte de Santander): The Planning Secretary of Tibú sent the drafts and sketches of the Childhood Home to be built in La Gabarra. This project will be finalized in two months. Another project, possibly for third age population, is being discussed with the community and NCCR.

Buenos Aires (Cauca): IOM is currently contracting out the technical studies for the following infrastructure projects that will be carried out at la Timba's school: i) improvement of the school restaurant;; ii) improvement of the sanitation facilities and iii) improvement of the school's classroom.

In addition, we are currently finalizing the formulation of a productive project that will benefit San Miguel, Cascajero, Palo Blanco and Munchique localities. We expect to be initiating the execution of this project in May.

Madres de la Candelaria (Medellín-Antioquia): During the quarter two agreements were prepared in order to provide support and psychosocial assistance to members of Madres de la Candelaria. On one hand, an agreement will be signed with La Comisión Facilitadora de Paz de Antioquia giving them [REDACTED] to publish edicts regarding disappeared family members. The Governorship of Antioquia, the Mayorship of Medellín and NCCR will also participate in this effort. Additionally, an agreement will be signed with Presencia Colombo-Suiza to provide psychosocial assistance. This project will have duration of five months.

El Tigre (Valle del Guamez-Putumayo): In a meeting carried out on February between the community, the NCCR and IOM, two projects were identified: i) the construction of a community gathering facility. The technical floor studies are being currently contracted out. ii) A productive project for processing rice that is expected to benefit at least **80** families. We are currently working with community members in the project design and we expect to be contracting its execution by the end of May.

Movimiento Sindical: Recently the Plenary of NCCR chose the Union Movement of Cordoba's University as the representative of the Unions. Activities will begin in an intensive manner and will be finalized in two months.

Reconciliation:

Objective: Analyze and support different reconciliation initiatives throughout the country in order to establish guidelines and successful models.

Activities and Progress:

- The first version of the document about reconciliation experiences in Colombia was sent by the consultants and reviewed by IOM. The document, under the title of *Reconciliation between Victims, Communities and Demobilized Population: Case Studies and Lessons for the Design and Implementation of Public Policies of Reparation, Reintegration and*

Reconciliation, analyzes different reconciliation initiatives in an attempt to extract lessons and strategies that may lead to the strengthening of other experiences and the formulation of a public policy of reconciliation.

- Several activities advanced during the quarter in the project with the Mayoralty of Bogota and *Fundación Social*. This project seeks to encourage and support five community reconciliation initiatives, as well as to provide technical assistance to the Reconciliation Area of NCCR. So far ten (10) visits have been made to the five experiences and nine (9) workshops have been developed along with the communities. Some of the activities supported include: integration sessions; sports tournaments; mural painting about events directly related to the community; recreational activities; training and development of skills in several areas; and the construction of a “Museum of Memory” with the work of children in the neighborhood of Usme. Additionally, *Fundación Social* is preparing a proposal of pedagogy of reconciliation for Bogota, to be used by the NCCR as well.
- The *Asocolflores* project began during this period by hiring the implementing team. They started working on the design of the materials that will be used in the workshops. Additionally, the methodology is being proved through a series of pilot workshops.

Gender and Specific Populations:

Objective: To include gender, childhood, and ethnic minorities as cross-cutting axes in all NCCR projects and activities.

Activities:

- Most of the activities included in the strategy of “*minimos vitales*” and the collective reparation pilots have been designed and implemented taking into consideration the specific needs of certain groups, such as women, children, third age, afro-Colombians and indigenous communities.
- During this quarter the training process of public employees and NCCR personnel continued in gender sensitive issues. Special attention has been given to the proper treatment of minorities such as Afro-Colombian and indigenous communities.
- As part of the technical assistance given to the Ombudsman Office, a protocol will be developed in order to ensure the proper attention to victims of the conflict belonging to indigenous communities throughout the country. This protocol seeks to provide elements to Ombudsman Office regarding the specific needs required by indigenous population.

Victim’s Registry and Data Base

Objective: To develop a strategy to register victims that includes gathering information mechanisms that will allow access to reparation for the victims.

Activities:

- During this quarter progress was made in the process of harmonization of the Justice and Peace Interinstitutional Information System and the NCCR Information System. Additionally, several actions were performed in order to incorporate the attention component, along with its related indicators, in accordance to the Interinstitutional Model of Attention to Victims.

Counseling and attention to victims

Objective: To support information and communication strategies, as well as to provide advice and orientation to victims.

Activities:

- A dissemination and diffusion strategy is still being discussed with the National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation –NCRR- concerning the Handbook for Victims Legal Intervention in the Framework of the Justice and Peace Law.

BUDGET

Table 6. National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation (CNRR) Budget

Projects Approved for CNRR: Sub-Components	Number of Beneficiaries
A. Corporacion para la reconciliación	-
B. Corporacion Conciudadanía de Antioquia	125
C. Softmanagement/ Attorney's General Office	-
D. National Ombudsman's Office	3000
E. Merquemos juntos	110
F. Universidad Jorge Tadeo Lozano	30
TOTAL	3.265

1.10 Support to the Attorney General's Office

ADVANCES THIS QUARTER

Support to Victims:

The victims' assistants handled **5,050** victims at the three regional offices (Barranquilla **350**, Medellín **4,450** and Bogota **250**). We gave support to victims' call center. During this quarter we received **12,751** calls.

Three engineers and 4 typists continue scanning the information obtained in *versiones libres*. The database was updated with a total of **4,800** crimes confessed in **320** *versiones libres*.

The hired psychologists supported the Attorneys by attending victims during **320** *versiones libres*. One person is in charge of the website and the updating of the Justice and Peace Unit website, giving special attention to the exhumation Subunit. The website was fed with news, hearings notices and lists of personal belongings found in mass graves in order to help the identification of bodies by relatives. During this quarter, **1,263** items were uploaded into the website.

During this quarter IOM supported the Attorney General's Office with the organization of 3 identification gatherings with relatives of missing persons. A total of **1,066** persons were served in the following municipalities: Tumaco, Bucaramanga and Barrancabermeja.

Additionally we supported the Exhumations Unit with 4 ceremonies of return of remains. **142** bodies were returned to their relatives in ceremonies in Bucaramanga **19**, Medellín **24**, Santa Marta **50** and Montería **49**. A total of **373** relatives of these persons found in mass graves, were served. These persons were transported from their municipalities of origin to Bucaramanga, Medellín, Santa Marta and Montería and were lodged for **3** days.

Inter-institutional Information System for Justice and Peace:

Technical and administrative support continued to be given to the institutions that are part of the System. This support seeks to build an information system shared by all institutions in order to guarantee a better service to the victims of armed conflict. The purpose is to have better information regarding the victims, as well as to coordinate different data bases managed by the institutions responsible for attending victims.

The company UT DB SYSTEM SOFTMANAGEMENT was chosen by the Technical Subcommittee for Information System of the Inter Institutional Committee for Justice and Peace. The contract will be signed during the next quarter. Additionally, 3 Justice and Peace matrixes were produced for the members of the Inter-institutional Committee for Justice and Peace.

7. Next Quarter Priorities

In the upcoming quarter, the project intends to focus on the following actions and strategies within each component:

1.11 Tracking and Monitoring

- Continue supporting of the financial and psychosocial area of ACR with *RAP*'s⁵ typing.
- Completion of the Productive Projects reports in the weekly matrix.
- Implementation of the Integral Profiles in the weekly matrix.
- Create an action plan for *RAP*'s typing and to establish the responsibilities of each part.
- Strengthening of TMES teams.
- Design of the base line for individually demobilized persons in the TMES database.
- Support to the ACR technology area in the partial transfer of the TMES database to the Information System for Reintegration developed by Microsoft for the ACR.
- The following reports will be produced the next quarter:
 - ❖ 3 monthly reports to the ACR
 - ❖ 3 progress reports on academic and vocational training
 - ❖ 1 report on education.
 - ❖ 1 report on deaths and detainees
 - ❖ Weekly and monthly reports

⁵ The *RAP* is the matrix in which the assistance to psychosocial activities is reported by the ACR tutors.

1.12 Support to GOC Reintegration Program

- Participate in the International DDR Congress in Cartagena.

1.13 Oversight Ombudsman/IG

National Ombudsman (NO)

- Sign the agreement of donation of the SIG by the Ombudsman.
- Finalize the process of selection and hiring of the five (5) consultants that will help to organize the information of the SIG.
- Begin the training process about the SIG with the hired consultants of the project.
- Systematize the information related with the SIG.
- Obtain information about the paperwork and processes that have been done regarding the complaints received.
- Continue with the field visits in order to have a follow-up of the complaints and requests received, as well as to verify the situation of the communities.
- Continue with the construction of the Resolution by the Ombudsman.

Inspector General (IG)

- Perform the balance and transition between the former and the new judicial prosecutors.
- Prepare a balance of the second year of the Project, in order to establish priorities for the third phase for each component.

1.14 Support to the Demobilized Population

Human Development

- To continue with the human development intervention of the following three projects: *Comfacesar*, *Ventajas Kompetitivas* and *FUNDEBAN*.
- To continue with the coordination process with the ACR to implement the new human development strategy.
- To encourage the use of the vocational profiles as the base to plan the human development interventions.

Vocational Training

- Begin the implementation of the project to provide vocational training scholarships to former combatants at a national level.

Urban Productive Projects

- To finish the contracting process and implementation of the integral projects of *FUNDEBAN* and *FENALCO* in Santa Marta and Barranquilla.
- To formulate and start 5 integral projects in the cities of Cucuta, Bucaramanga, Ibague, Apartadó and Cali.
- Finish the projects with CHF, *Biprocol*, *Ecotures* and *Minuto de Dios*.

- Start the operation of REASER project (plastic recycling), *EXPOSUCRE* (yam exportation) and Giant Bags Company.
- To start the second phase of the agreement with the *Corporación Industrial Minuto de Dios* in order to finish jointly the activities expected from phase I.

Rural Productive Projects

- To start the implementation of the projects in Cesar, Córdoba and Sucre.
- To explore lands in the Atlantic area for project formulation.

1.15 Verification to the Process

- Receive the last technical and financial report in order to proceed to the closing procedures of the second year.
- Identify the new lines of interest of MAPP/OEA in case of a new phase of the project.

1.16 National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation

- Advance, in some cases, and finalize, in others, the support actions for seven pilots of collective reparation related to the strategy of “*minimos vitales*”. Define, along with the National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation –NCCR– the follow-up strategy and next steps in the process of collective reparation.
- Begin and conclude the diagnosis, dialogue, consultation and support processes with the Union Movement Pilot. The NCCR established the Union Movement of Cordoba University as the case to be treated.
- Conclude the selection and hiring of the teams of lawyers and psychologists for the Ombudsman Office, in order to guarantee an integral attention to victims. Advance in the two protocols for The Ombudsman Office. The first one about the impact of the attention from the victims’ perspective, and the second one about specific needs of the attention for indigenous population.
- Identify and support individual victims, communities or associations particularly affected by the armed conflict, through the design, formulation and implementation of socioeconomic stabilization projects.
- Advance in the final version of the document *Reconciliation between Victims, Communities and Demobilized Population: Case Studies and Lessons for the Design and Implementation of Public Policies of Reparation, Reintegration and Reconciliation*. Continue to support the NCCR’s Reconciliation Area in their effort to design and strengthen a reconciliation policy.

1.17 Support to the Attorney General’s Office

- Continue with gatherings of identification of relative of missing persons, according to the Attorney General Office’s schedule.
- Continue with ceremonies of return of remains.
- Continue the psychological support to victims during the *versiones libres*.

- Continue the development of the Justice and Peace matrix.
- To sign the Contract with UT DB SYSTEM SOFT MANAGEMENT as the developer of the Inter Institutional Justice and Peace System.
- To hire the permanent team (Manager, Technical Leader and Functional Leader) of the Inter Institutional System for Justice and Peace in order to begin the transition of the project to the Ministry of Interior and the Attorney General Office.
- To hire a company for the monitoring of the contract between IOM and UT DB SYSTEM SOFT MANAGEMENT.

8. Annex 1. Financial Reports

9. Annex 2. Services Summary Table

1.18 SERVICES SUMMARY TABLE

Table 6. Services Provided to Demobilized Individuals, Family Members, and Victims by Department and Type

Department		Labor Training	Human Development & Psychological Attention	Formal Education	Profiles & Vocational Orientation	Employability & Productive Projects	TOTAL * DEPARTMENT
National Coverage	Projected	2.456	0	198	0	850	3.504
	Actual	0	0	63	0	0	63
Antioquia	Projected	2.026	1.515	380	4.150	1.283	9.354
	Actual	358	499	17	0	207	1.081
Atlantico	Projected	30	30	0	0	30	90
	Actual	30	30	0	0	30	90
Bogotá	Projected	382	420	0	1.000	232	2.034
	Actual	0	14	0	0	3	17
Bolívar	Projected	150	410	0	200	150	910
	Actual	100	100	0	0	52	252
Boyacá	Projected	0	0	0	500	0	500
	Actual	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cesar	Projected	656	445	0	1.825	465	3.391
	Actual	43	240	0	0	150	433
Córdoba	Projected	439	519	0	2.025	539	3.522
	Actual	0	111	0	0	212	323
Guajira	Projected	0	0	0	0	34	34
	Actual	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magdalena	Projected	145	505	0	1.000	145	1.795
	Actual	0	90	0	0	68	158
Meta	Projected	70	240	0	500	240	1.050
	Actual	29	29	0	0	29	87
Norte de Santander	Projected	50	520	0	500	200	1.270
	Actual	0	91	0	0	196	287
Risaralda	Projected	430	430	0	150	430	1.440
	Actual	26	26	0	0	95	147
Santander	Projected	20	211	0	400	135	766
	Actual	0	78	0	0	39	117
Sucre	Projected	230	251	100	500	251	1.332
	Actual	85	101	63	0	97	346
Tolima	Projected	0	0	0	400	0	400
	Actual	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valle de Cauca	Projected	0	0	0	1.000	0	1.000
	Actual	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL PROJECTED		7.054	5.466	678	14.150	4.920	32.268
TOTAL ACTUAL		671	1.409	143	0	1.178	3.401
TOTAL CONCLUDED		2.103	898	149	14.150	273	17.573

10. Annex 3. Services Summary Table – Demobilized Individuals

1.19 SERVICES SUMMARY TABLE – DEMOBILIZED INDIVIDUALS

Table 7. Services Provided to Demobilized Individuals by Department and Type

Department		Labor Training	Human Development & Psychological Attention	Formal Education	Profiles & Vocational Orientation	Employability & Productive Projects	TOTAL PER DEPARTMENT
National Coverage	Population	0	0	63	0	0	63
	Demobilized	0	0	63	0	0	63
Antioquia	Population	358	499	17	0	207	1.081
	Demobilized	308	499	17	0	111	935
Atlantico	Population	30	30	0	0	30	90
	Demobilized	30	30	0	0	30	90
Bogotá	Population	0	14	0	0	3	17
	Demobilized	0	14	0	0	3	17
Bolívar	Population	100	100	0	0	52	252
	Demobilized	100	100	0	0	52	252
Boyaca	Population	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Demobilized	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cesar	Population	43	240	0	0	150	433
	Demobilized	43	240	0	0	113	396
Córdoba	Population	0	111	0	0	212	323
	Demobilized	0	111	0	0	163	274
Guajira	Population	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Demobilized	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magdalena	Population	0	90	0	0	68	158
	Demobilized	0	33	0	0	51	84
Meta	Population	29	29	0	0	29	87
	Demobilized	29	29	0	0	29	87
Norte de Santander	Population	0	91	0	0	196	287
	Demobilized	0	4	0	0	18	22
Risaralda	Population	26	26	0	0	95	147
	Demobilized	26	26	0	0	77	129
Santander	Population	0	78	0	0	39	117
	Demobilized	0	29	0	0	15	44
Sucre	Population	85	101	63	0	97	346
	Demobilized	85	101	63	0	97	346
Tolima	Population	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Demobilized	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valle del Cauca	Population	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Demobilized	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL POPULATION		671	1.409	143	0	1.178	3.401
TOTAL DEMOBILIZED		621	1.216	143	0	759	2.739

Note: Only departments with services currently provided to demobilized individuals are detailed in this table. Additionally, the row “Total Population” represents the same “Total Actual” reported in Annex 2.

11. Annex 4. Glossary

ACR	<i>Alta Consejería para la Reintegración</i> High Commission for Reintegration
AG	<i>Fiscalía General de la Nación</i> Attorney General
AUC	<i>Autodefensas Unidas de Colombia</i> United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia
<i>Autos Inhibitorios</i> (AI)	Judicial decision to not prosecute an individual on the basis of proceedings and hearings related to crimes different from those committed against humanity.
NCRR	<i>Comisión Nacional de Reparación y Reconciliación</i> National Commission for Reparation and Reconciliation
CORE	Community-Oriented Reintegration of Ex-combatants
DAS	<i>Departamento Administrativo de Seguridad</i> Security Administration Department
DI	Demobilized Individuals
DDR	Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration
GOC	Government of Colombia
IG	Inspector General
MAPP/OEA	<i>Misión de Apoyo al Proceso de Paz de la OEA</i> Mission to Support the Peace Process by the OAS
NO	<i>Defensoría del Pueblo</i> National Ombudsman
OAS	Organization of American States
ICFES / PREICFES	A standardized test given by the Colombian Institute for the Encouragement of Higher Education, similar to the American SAT that all high school students must take before graduating. The grade helps universities rank the students for admissions. Its preparatory course is known as PREICFES.
SENA	<i>Servicio Nacional de Aprendizaje</i> National Learning Service
SIG	<i>Sistema de Información Georeferenciada</i> Geo-referenced Information System

SIJUF	Inter-institutional Information System of the Justice and Peace Unit of the AG's Office
SIR	<i>Sistema de Información de Reintegración</i> Reintegration Information System
TMES	Tracking, Monitoring, and Evaluation System
Versión Libre RAP	Process of individuals registered and heard by prosecutors Psychosocial Assistance Report

12. Annex 5. Exchange Rates

1.20 Exchange Rates

Table 8. Exchange Rates

Month	Year	Exchange Rate
December	2006	2,328
January	2007	2,226
February	2007	2,240
March	2007	2,214
April	2007	2,169
May	2007	2,121
June	2007	1,990
July	2007	1,935
August	2007	1,976
September	2007	2,133
October	2007	2,038
November	2007	2,008
December	2007	2,075
January	2008	1,990
February	2008	1,990
March	2008	1,892
June	2008	1,990
July	2008	1,935
August	2008	1,976
September	2008	2,133
October	2008	2,038
November	2008	2,008
December	2008	2,075
January	2009	2,213
February	2009	2,300
March	2009	2,586