

Colombia's INDEPAZ denounces murder of another peace signatory



Colombia records 38 peace signatories murdered in 2022, 343 since the signing of the Peace Accord in 2016, according to INDEPAZ. Dec. 1, 2022. | Photo: Twitter/@almayadeen_es

Bogota, December 2 (RHC)-- The Institute for Development and Peace Studies (INDEPAZ) said that Cano Medina was in the process of reincorporation and was part of the Caloto Multiactive Cooperative. According to the institute, the details of the crime are unknown. José Reinel Cano Medina is the 38th signatory of the peace agreement to be murdered this year.

The murder occurred in the community of Caloto, where the armed groups ELN and Columba Móvil Dagoberto García are present, INDEPAZ said in a statement released on social networks. The Ombudsman's Office issued TA 007/21 in the municipalities of Caloto and Corinto, northern Cauca. In this region, armed groups seeking territorial control exercise control over the population in pursuit of economic interests.

José Reinel Cano Medina was a signatory of the peace agreement and was currently in reincorporation. He was part of the Cooperativa Multiactiva de Caloto. In this way, "the organizational social fabric in the northern part of the Cauca is affected, including former combatants who are in the process of reincorporation," said INDEPAZ.

Today's murder brings to 38 the number of peace signatories killed in 2022, while since the signing of the Peace Agreement in 2016, the figure stands at 343.

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