

Colombia govt, FARC resume peace talks in Cuba



Havana, Jun 3, (RHC), – Peace talks between the government of Colombia and the country's largest guerrilla group, the FARC, resumed in the Cuban capital, Havana, on Tuesday.

According to national newspaper Vanguardia, a source from the FARC said that the negotiations, which have been in recess since May 16, will resume with a round of talks that should last about two days instead of the usual 11.

Cuba's Foreign Ministry, which has served as the guardian of the peace process together with Norway, also confirmed the return to the negotiation table.

The peace talks, which began in November 2012, concluded the halfway point last month as both parties have agreed on three out of six points on the agenda aimed at ending the armed conflict in Colombia that has endured for half a century.

So far, the Colombian government and the FARC have agreed on points of rural reform, political participation, and illicit drugs.

The two parties will now work towards concessions on disarmament, victims' rights, and the eventual signing of an overall peace agreement.

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