How will the FARC Reintegration Zones work?

Safety Zones

- A 1 km safety zone will surround each Hamlet Zone.
- The Monitoring and Verification Mechanism ("Why do we not use the abbreviation here, if we are indeed using abbreviations?") will operate within this zone (the Colombian government, the FARC and the International Component of the Mechanism, will be present, all being unarmed and with proper identification symbols).

Local headquarters of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism

Encampments

- The number of encampments within each TRS will depend upon the topography of the surrounding land and the amount of combatants disarming.
- There will be no civilians present within the encampments, nor will civilians be allowed to enter any encampments.
- The FARC combatants will only be permitted to exit these encampments without any weapons, and as regular civilians.
- There will always be representatives of the IC-MVM present.
- In each of the encampments, there will be a storage point for weaponry (i.e. within designated containers), which will be controlled exclusively by the IC-MVM.

Transitory Rural Settlement Normalization Zones

- The objective of the TRS Zones will be to ensure compliance with the CFA, begin the process of reintegration of the members of the FARC into civil lives within the ambit of the law.
- The TRS Zones will be of a temporary nature, with clearly defined territorial limits, as has been agreed between the Colombian government and the FARC.
- They will be of reasonable size such as to ensure their proper monitoring and verification, and unfettered access, by the MVM.
- The size of each TRS Zone will be defined by having regards to the boundaries of the rural village, natural land formations, and the requirements of the MVM.
- The rule of law will remain always in all TRS Zones.
- The TRS Zones cannot be used for political demonstrations.
- The non-military civilian authorities that operate in these TRS Zones, will continue to do so, as normal. These authorities will be able to enter the TRS without restriction, however this will not apply to entering the camps themselves within the TRS.
- The TRS Zones will all have reception areas, to receive those people who are arriving into these zones.
- Carrying and possession of weapons within these TRS Zones will be suspended.
- The FARC members will be trained in primary productive work, at the primary, secondary, and technical educative levels.
- The state will implement measure to ensure public welfare and healthcare, the issuing of national ID cards, and the running of other programs aimed at the reintegration of these former combatants into society.
- In addition, it will be ensured that all other rules of the CFA will be complied with.

The National Police, and other state armed forces, may enter the TRS in response to any circumstances requiring their presence. This will only be done by informing, and with the coordination of, the MVM.

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*TRSZN: Transitory Rural Settlement Normalization Zones
*MVM: Monitoring and Verification Mechanism
*IC-MVM: International Component of the Monitoring and Verification Mechanism
*CFA: Ceasefire and Cessation of Hostilities and Laying Down of Arms