

Resolution on the Democratic Crisis in the Republic of Colombia

The IDC-CDI, as an international inter-party organization that defends democratic values as fundamental foundations of the rule of law:

- 1. Analyzes carefully the crisis of democracy in the Republic of Colombia, due to the alleged illegal financing of the 2022 presidential campaign of the current president of Colombia, Gustavo Petro, made public knowledge thanks to the testimonies provided by some members of his family and campaign officials in the judicial processes that are being carried out in Colombia.
- 2. Examines with concern the announcement made by President Gustavo Petro about the convening of a National Constituent Assembly, with the purpose of modifying the 1991 Magna Carta at his personal convenience. The above, added to the repeated violation of the principle of separation of powers, as well as the breakdown of democratic values in the Rule of Law in just one year and 8 months of government, warns and warns about the possible authoritarian course that this constituent process could mean in the country, an equivocal transgression that preceded the dictatorships of Venezuela. Nicaragua and Cuba.
- 3. Rejects the progressive political persecution and statements against the opposition and the media in the country, as well as the establishment of the Crime of Opinion and Expression of which former President Andres Pastrana Arango has been a victim, a phenomenon known as the judicialization of politics that transgresses the fundamental pillars of democracy and the rule of law in the world.
- 4. Reiterates that it will closely follow the serious events in which the Constitutional Rule of Law in the Republic of Colombia is weakened, as well as the violation of the fundamental human right to freedom of thought and expression enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and which constitutes a substantial part of any democracy in the world.
- 5. Urges the President of the Republic of Colombia and each of the members of his government, to respect the Political Constitution of 1991, in force and in accordance with the Universal System for the Protection of Human Rights, the Inter-American Human Rights System and the Rome Statute, of which they are subjects of law either by omission or action within the framework of their personal responsibilities.
- 6. Alerts with deep concern about the beginning of a process of "soft expropriations" of private Health Promoting Companies (EPS), by President Gustavo Petro, which violates access to the universal right to health for millions of Colombians, a legally binding commitment for the Colombian State enshrined in international human rights instruments.
- 7. Stands unconditionally with the people of the Republic of Colombia, to ensure strict compliance with democratic values and the Constitutional Rule of Law in this country.