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Civic Alliance for Justice and Democracy maintains its position before the National Dialogue

1. We repudiate all attempts to boycott the National Dialogue by the Ortega Murillo regime. We will not allow the actions of the Episcopal Conference of Nicaragua (CEN) and its Bishops in their role as mediators and witnesses to be criminalized and referred to as "golpistas" (coup d'état organizers). We recognize the work of the members of the Mediation Commission, appointed by the CEN.

2. Our minimum requirements to move to a democracy with justice through the National Dialogue are:

- a. The cessation of repression, intimidation, persecution, torture and murders towards those who have been involved in the fight process. No to the criminalization of peaceful protest!
- b. Release of political prisoners and non illegal -judicialization of protesters. In a fundamental manner, to Medardo Mairena, active member in the National Dialogue and member of the Verification and Security Commission, and Pedro Mena, both members of the Countrymen Movement. In the same way we demand the release of Irlanda Jerez, and the student leaders Marlon Fonseca, Hansel Vásquez and Rodrigo Espinoza.
- c. Disarticulation of parapolic groups, shock groups and mobs related to the regime, which have besieged and spread terror in a large part of the country.
- d. Addressing the agenda of democratization in the National Dialogue that proposes the advancement of free, transparent and competitive elections for the first trimester of 2019, as expressed in the resolution approved by the Permanent Council at its extraordinary meeting on July 17th of year in progress.

3. The historical moment demands that we be open to taking into account those aspects that can be negotiated and that respond to popular demands. We demand that in the National Dialogue the substance of the negotiation be put on the table and to show political will to resolve the serious crisis of the country, as the people demands it.

4. We call on the Nicaraguan people to continue the civic fight, to demonstrate peacefully, to make use of the repertoires of action inherited from the past, such as active nonviolent fight, but also to find other forms of civic protest. The fight in the streets is the guarantor that these will not be monopolies and privatization of a political sector, but also a means of pressure for the regime to give in on the negotiating spaces of the dialogue.



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5. We call on the historical cadres, to the Sandinista militancy, the Sandinista Youth and public officials who believe that the only way to freedom, justice and democracy is true dialogue, not to continue giving their support to the Ortega Murillo regime and join the civic fight for the liberation of Nicaragua. The New Nicaragua will not be built on the logic of revenge or impunity, but on the basis of justice and democracy. Therefore, we urge the people do not fall on to provocations, because truth and justice are on our side.

6. Finally, it is fundamental to articulate shared visions and lines of action between organizational expressions that have emerged prior to and during the April insurrection, and fundamentally, to those broad coalitions among sectors that are emerging in the territories. Only the unity against the regime Ortega Murillo will make us win.

It is for our partners assassinated, for the mothers of April, May, June and July, for the entrenched ones those who have resisted the siege of the regime and its repressive forces, for the countrymen and workers, for the political prisoners and persecuted and for all the self-convoked people that we will continue with our civic and peaceful fight.

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The Civic Alliance for Justice and Democracy (ACJD) it is formed by a group of diverse and heterogeneous citizens and organizations, including students, members of the business sector, countrymen movement, academics, human rights activists and citizens of autonomous regions convened

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