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The Security Council,

Welcoming the Final Agreement for Ending the Conflict and Building a Stable and Long Lasting Peace reached between the Government of Colombia and the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia — People's Army (FARC-EP) on 24 August 2016 and *commending* the determination of the parties in reaching this historic agreement to end over 50 years of conflict,

Further welcoming the agreements reached between the Government of Colombia and the FARC-EP on 23 June 2016, including the Agreement on the Bilateral and Definitive Ceasefire and Cessation of Hostilities and Laying down of Arms which provides for a tripartite monitoring and verification mechanism (MVM),

Recalling resolution 2261 (2016) which established a political mission (the Mission) to participate for a period of 12 months as the international component and coordinator of the MVM,

Looking forward to the forthcoming conclusion of a Status of Mission Agreement (SOMA) between the United Nations and the Government of Colombia,

Having considered the Secretary-General's report of 19 August 2016 to the President of the Security Council ([S/2016/729](#)),

1. *Welcomes* the Secretary-General's report [S/2016/729](#) and *approves* the recommendations therein regarding the size, operational aspects and mandate of the Mission including the recommendations in paragraph 36;

2. *Recognizes* the need for expeditious deployment of the tripartite MVM, and *authorizes* the Mission to share equally with the Government of Colombia the support required for preparation and facilities management of the Transitional Local Zones for Normalisation and the Transitional Local Points for Normalisation during the 12-month period authorised by resolution 2261 (2016);

3. *Welcomes* contributions of unarmed observers already presented by the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) Member States and other Member States, and *looks forward* to further contributions.

