

THE **FARC** ATTACKS A BANK IN SOUTHWEST COLOMBIA

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THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA EXPRESSES ITS CONDEMNATION AND REJECTION OF THE **FARC**

BASED ON THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS

The FARC attacked and destroyed a branch of the Banco Agrario (Agrarian Bank) in Caloto, Department of Cauca, in the southwest of Colombia. FARC members set off four explosions in an unsuccessful attempt to open the bank's vaults. In the end, they stole a million pesos in coins (approximately 500 dollars).

HARM TO THE CIVILIAN POPULATION

BANAGRARIO is a state-owned bank that offers financing for the agricultural sector and promotes productive projects in benefit of people in rural regions of the country. This branch had \$165 million (USD \$82,500) on site for payments to local social programs: Families in Action and Prosperar. The bank installations were seriously damaged and several nearby homes were also affected.

The destruction of this bank, the nearby homes, and the attempted theft of the savings of the local population is just one more demonstration of systematic actions by the FARC against the people and their interests.

MEDIA THAT REPORTED THE NEWS

15.09.2009. FARC Guerillas Attack Town in the South of Colombia, Without Victims.

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