

AMNISTIES FOR PEACE**Concerning the peace dialogues in Colombia****JHON LEON**

The debate on the Political Crime in Colombia has revived in the actual circumstances as the Dialogues of La Habana are approaching the point of revision of the penal processes of political prisoners, as well as the endorsements of the agreements reached so far.

Those of use who exercise the defense of the political prisoners and study in depth the figure of Political Crime receive with optimism the re-opening of this debate, as for many years we rejected – in the courts as well as in academic scenarios – the attacks on the classical notion of Political Crime, judicial-penal figure which implies a differentiated and indulgent treatment in comparison with a common crime.

The enemies of Peace have torn their hair seeing the proposals to amplify the definition of crimes connected to the political one in the actual circumstances and some sectores, perhaps due to ignorance, have dared stating that the amplification of the connections strives to “disfigure the political crime” trying to hide from the country that such disfigurement was perpetrated by today’s questioned Constitutional Court through the sentence C-456 from the year 1997.

Hence, it becomes necessary to recover memory on the nature of the right to rebellion and its transition towards the conceptualization of the political crime, with the objective to understand the Colombian reality better and transform the prison mentality which has been imposed on society since the doctrine of national security, with the aim to place the juridical-political formulas that allow the liberation of the combatants of the uprising as well as the civil persons who have been processed and convicted for political motives, abandoning that way the path of Peace.

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