

Stoplight Security Classifications

Non-permissive Security (Red Zone)

- Guerrillas are able to mass in sufficient numbers so as to present a military threat.
- BACRIM have free movement.
- Military operations are taking place - or could conceivably take place in the foreseeable future.
- The army does not have a permanent presence, but rather is mobile.
- No police presence.
- Generalized lack of State presence, including the judicial system (e.g. fiscalia).
- Road travel highly risky for both community and GOC officials.
- Armed-combattant roadblocks.
- Military roadblocks.
- Stable or increasing levels of coca cultivation and trafficking. Established trafficking routes.
- Significant threat of mines.
- High homicide and extortion rates.
- Communities unwilling to work with GOC due to intimidation and fear.

Minimum Security Required (Yellow Zone) This category would fall into what the PCIM would classify as a "Transition Zone", an area undergoing transition from combat to consolidation. With appropriate security precautions, this is an area where projects can be implemented and where USAID and the GOC would focus the bulk of the quick-impact, initial response efforts.

- Military have control of an area, are highly visible, and are committed to a permanent presence.
- Guerrillas do not have the capacity to mobilize in significant numbers.
- Police presence is spotty and limited to larger cascos urbanos. Little to no coverage of rural areas.
- Increasing capacity of police to gather intelligence.
- Civilian-clad milicianos are still present, and maintain some ability to intimidate communities.
- Civilians move relatively freely on roads.
- GOC authorities have varying ability to move freely, depending on their rank.
- No armed-combattant roadblocks - and few / decreasing number of military roadblocks.
- Coca eradication underway.
- Trafficking networks in decline.
- Decreased threat of mines.
- Communities generally willing to work with GOC.
- Decreasing rates of homicide and extortion.
- Increasing rates of common delinquency.

Security in Consolidated Zones (verde)

- Security a given.
- The army no longer a highly visible presence.
- Permanent presence of the police in the urban centers and surrounding areas. Security transitioning to the police.
- The milicianos and BACRIMs are few and have lost their ability to intimidate.
- Any insecurity in a given area is primarily related to normal crime.
- Free road movement by all.
- Coca cultivation, if present at all, is in scattered patches.
- Trafficking no longer present.