

National Accord

Aware of our responsibility for reaching the well being of the human person as well as human development and solidarity in the country, the representatives of political, religious, civil society and government organizations, notwithstanding our legitimate differences, have approved a set of State policies that constitute a National Accord to which execution we commit as of this date.

The policies we have agreed are directed towards reaching four large objectives:

- Democracy and Rule of Law
- Equity and Social Justice
- Country Competitiveness
- Efficient, Transparent and Decentralized State

1. Democracy and Rule of Law

We agree that Rule of Law and representative democracy are a guarantee of justice and effectiveness of fundamental rights as well as an essential aspect leading to reach peace and development in the country. Hence, we commit to:

- 1.1. Guarantee full and accurate execution of constitutional rights, organization of free and transparent elections, political pluralism, alternation in power and rule of the Constitution under the principle of checks and balances.
- 1.2. Promote effectiveness of the political party system all over the national territory and full respect to democratically elected minorities.
- 1.3. Consolidate an integrated Peruvian nation, related to the world and projected to the future, respectful of its values, its millenary heritage and its ethnic and cultural diversity.
- 1.4. Preserve public order and citizen security, guaranteeing that the expression of our differences does not affect tranquility, justice, integrity, people's freedom and respect to public and private property.
- 1.5. Institutionalize dialogue and consensus building based upon the affirmation of coincidences and respect of differences, setting institutionalized consensus building mechanisms and control to ensure citizen participation in public decision making.
- 1.6. Adopt measures oriented at achieving respect and defense of human rights, as well as firm adhesion of Peru to International Law treaties, regulations and principles, especially emphasizing human rights, the Charter of the United Nations and the Charter of the Inter American System.
- 1.7. Maintain a national security policy to guarantee independence, sovereignty, territorial integrity and safeguard of national security.

2. Equity and Social Justice

We state that comprehensive human development, overcoming poverty and attaining equality in access to opportunities for all Peruvians, both men and women, with no kind of discrimination are the main axes of State action. Consequently, we commit to:

- 2.1. Adopt measures aimed at generating economic, social, cultural and political opportunities, eradicating all inequity and discrimination within a context of full respect to Human Rights.
- 2.2. Promote generation and access to full, dignified and productive employment through the increase of investment, production and entrepreneurial development.
- 2.3. Guarantee universal access to a quality comprehensive education geared towards work and culture emphasizing ethical values with gratuity in public education and to reduce the quality gaps existing between public and private, rural and urban education, including regular participation of educational institutions, strengthening and revaluing teachers' careers and increasing the Education Sector budget up an amount equal to 6% of GDP.
- 2.4. Guarantee universal access to quality and gratuitous integral, continuous and timely health services, broaden and strengthen health services, promoting universal access to retirement and social security and fostering the development of an integrated and decentralized national system
- 2.5. Consolidate a cultural policy to foster development, promoting values, citizen responsibility and harmonious coexistence among Peruvians.
- 2.6. Favor access of each family to dignified housing and basic conditions for healthy development in a quality and security environment.
- 2.7. Promote physical development of people to improve and maintain human performance as productive and defense force through sports, whether educational, competitive or recreational.

3. Country Competitiveness

We agree that to reach human development and solidarity in the country, the State will adopt an economic policy underpinned on social market economic principles, reaffirming its promotional, regulatory, solidarity and subsidiary role in business activities. In this context, we commit to:

- 3.1. Foster entrepreneurial competitiveness and formalization, especially of small and micro businesses and promote domestic and foreign private investments, as well as foster identification and increase development of productive chains that may successfully compete in the country and abroad.
- 3.2. Promote an agreed strategic planning, sectorial and regional development policies to foster employment, creation of human capital, investment,

production and consumption of national goods and exports within the framework of fiscal and monetary balanced economic policy and of a tax policy that may allow for appropriately financing the budget. To do so, the tax base shall be broadened to reach collection of no less than 18% of GDP.

- 3.3. Promote private sector participation in building, maintaining and operating infrastructure. Develop infrastructure which, together with State public investments, may boost all the economic activity sectors.
- 3.4. Strengthen the State and the private sector management and competition capacity by fostering innovation, research, creativity, adaptation and technological and scientific transfer.
- 3.5. Aggressively develop foreign trade based upon State and private sector joint effort to increase and diversify exportable offer and achieve a competitive insertion in international markets.

4. Efficient, Transparent and Decentralized State

We state our decision of consolidating an efficient, transparent and decentralized State to serve the people as right and duty bearers. To comply with this objective, we commit to:

- 4.1. Build an efficient, effective, modern and transparent State which meets the population demands at national, regional and local levels, fostering citizen participation and respecting the autonomy of social organizations.
- 4.2. Implement transparency and accountability mechanisms to facilitate citizen's control, eradicating all forms of corruption or proselytizing use of the State.
- 4.3. Improve the State's management capacity by modernizing public administration, training civil citizens and revaluing civil service career.
- 4.4. Guarantee political, economic and administrative autonomy structure based on power and economy decentralization, gradual transfer of competences and national government resources to regional and local governments, a clear delimitation of functions and competences, as well as the State's democratic and integrated operation at national, regional and local levels.
- 4.5. Foster harmonious and sustained development of all the national territory, promoting public and private investment decentralization within a framework of macro economic, monetary and fiscal balance stability.

Finally, we commit to establish the necessary follow up mechanisms to institutionalize compliance with the National Accord's twenty nine State policies by calling regular National Accord national and regional meetings, by establishing an autonomous technical secretariat, creating a support and liaison State Office and permanently disseminating the Accord to the society at large.

In witness of which, this National Accord we now subscribe has a binding character and will be open to the adhesion of other political forces and social organizations and we

commit to observe it and comply with it along the following twenty years.

Signed in the city of Lima, during the presidency of Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic on the twenty second day of the month of July in the year two thousand and two.

Constitutional President of the Republic
Alejandro Toledo Manrique

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