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Colombia: Targeting civilians is unacceptable

Amnesty International has vigorously condemned the bomb attack that took place yesterday in the city of Florencia, Caquetá Department, in which 11 people died, most of them civilians, and more than 50 were injured. The attack, in which a motorcycle packed with explosives was reportedly detonated by remote control in a busy street, is the second in less than 2 months to be placed in areas which will inevitably cause heavy civilian casualties.

"We again condemn such attacks against the civilian population and call on the armed opposition groups, the security forces and their paramilitary allies to respect their international obligations," Amnesty International said.

Amnesty International is also reminding the judicial authorities to take seriously their responsibility to undertake exhaustive and impartial investigations to bring those responsible for this attack to justice.

"The parties to this conflict must respect international humanitarian law and desist from targeting the civilian population, which tragically continues to be the main victim in this conflict," Amnesty International concluded.

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