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The second part of the field phase of the research project had two moments. The first was developed from May to November where interviews were conducted with different actors working in the territory of Yaigojé Apaporis as Edgar Castro and Daniel Giraldo of nationals parks of Colombia, Erwin Palacios of Conservation International, Martin von Hildebrand and Nelson Ortiz Amazonas of Gaia Foundation, Carlos Rodriguez of the Tropenbos Foundation, Enrique Carrizosa of WWF, Juio Carrizosa of



the Academy of Exact, Physical and Natural Sciences and Juan Carlos Preciado of OPIAC. The interviews with representatives of these agencies supplemented the information gathered on the first visit to the communities and the collection of the literature. In addition, it manage to work with the community of La Playa where it was able to interview and workshop with focus group were formed by the shaman and the leaders.

The second moment was participating in the workshop of the research group developed in the offices of the Gaia Amazonas Foundation, where he was reviewing the work of the group of researchers in the field to generate information about the Yaigojé Apaporis National Park management plan. It is important to mention that this workshop was held in Bogotá at different times due to safety and risk in the region by the presence of subversive groups. Then attached a newspaper article which mentions this situation - <u>http://www.elespectador.com/noticias/judicial/alta-amazonia-amenazada-disidentes-de-farc-articulo-655174</u>

