

PERMANENT MISSION OF BRAZIL TO THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN GENEVA

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The Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the United Nations Office at Geneva – Office of the Director-General and, with reference to the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, to be commemorated on 29 November at UNOG, has the honor to transmit the attached official statement from the President of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Office at Geneva – Office of the Director-General the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Message of His Excellency Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, 2023

On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, Brazil reiterates its firm and permanent support for the Palestinian people's legitimate right to self-determination. We believe that peace and stability in the region will only be achieved with a viable State of Palestine, living side by side with Israel, within secure, mutually accepted and internationally recognized borders.

Brazil is following the new stage of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with great consternation. We strongly condemn the blockade imposed on Gaza, the forced displacement and any act of violence committed against the Palestinian population. The death of thousands of children is particularly shocking. A lasting peace must be everyone's ultimate goal.

Since 7 October, I have been calling on the international community to act to protect civilians. As an elected member of the United Nations Security Council, Brazil has spared no effort to promote measures to end the conflict. During our presidency in October, we convened meetings, fostered dialogue and presented draft resolutions. We need reinvigorated and effective international action to contain the escalation of violence in the region.

Brazil remains ready to contribute to initiatives and efforts towards a just and lasting peace between Israel and Palestine, based on the two-state solution and the inalienable right of the Palestinian people to self-determination.