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#### FOURTH INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

Caribbean regional seminar on the implementation of the Fourth International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: charting a dynamic course for decolonization in commencing the Fourth International Decade and in the light of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, through commitment to mandate, collaboration, pragmatism and agility

Parish of St. John, Dominica 25 to 27 August 2021

## STATEMENT BY

THE REPRESENTATIVE OF BRAZIL





## C-24 Caribbean Regional Seminar General Debate

25/ago/2021

Madam Chair,

As we begin this Fourth International Decade to Eradicate Colonialism, Brazil is honored to join the Caribbean Regional Seminar of the Special Committee on Decolonization, C-24. Brazil is preparing to celebrate the 200-year anniversary of our independence, next year, and this meeting provides us with the opportunity to reaffirm our historical support to the decolonization process and our unwavering commitment to the right of self-determination, one of the central goals of the United Nations since its foundation.

The decisive support to decolonization is undoubtedly one of the key issues in which Latin America and the Caribbean, in GRULAC, share stronger ties.

In this respect, we would like to reiterate Brazil's deep commitment to the Caribbean and to the Caribbean people. In the aftermath of the recent devastating earthquake in Haiti, for instance, we deployed a humanitarian mission to Haiti. Our aircraft landed in Portau-Prince this week, with 32 search & rescue specialists, 7 tons of emergency supplies and equipment, and 3 and a half tons of medical supplies. Furthermore, allow me to commend CARICOM for putting forward in the General Assembly a resolution "Solidarity with and support for the Government and People of the Republic of Haiti in the aftermath of the recent earthquake", which we are proud to cosponsor.

#### Madam Chair,

Brazil would like to express its gratitude to the delegation of Grenada, as Chair of the C-24, for its dedication to the work in this session.

We would like to convey our sincere appreciation as well to the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica, for hosting this event and warmly welcoming all of us in your beautiful country, taking all the necessary safety precautions for this important seminar to take place in an in-person format, during the challenging times we are living through right now.

# Thank you!