

Let me express my appreciation to Ghana for hosting us and organizing this much-important conference at this crucial juncture.

Besides offering us this platform for exchange and cooperation on peacekeeping, this conference is an opportunity to reflect more broadly on the value of peacekeeping as a tool for achieving peace and security.

As an elected member of the security council in 2022-2023, Brazil worked towards the protection of civilians and the security of peacekeepers, with a particular emphasis on strategic communications.

Brazil continues to believe peacekeeping is a central piece in our collective security architecture. We must stand for it, while we work to improve it.

We hear expressions of discontent, frustration and dissent especially from host countries. We should listen to them carefully. The international community, the UN Security Council should respond to them, without losing sight of the importance of doing every transition in a sensible manner.

Peacekeeping has no value if there is no dialogue, no cooperation, no ownership.

Mr. Chairman,

Over the past 73 years, more than 50,000 Brazilian military and police personnel have been deployed in UN operations.

Currently, Brazil participates in eight out of the twelve UN peacekeeping missions, with military and police personnel serving in various capacities and especially in Africa. Brazilians are also deployed in two special political missions.

Notably, Brazil's contribution to the UN mission in the DRC stands out. since 2018 all of MONUSCO's force commanders have been Brazilian and a Brazilian mobile training team specialized in jungle warfare is in place since 2019. It has trained more than 2.000 troops.

Brazil has become a capacity-building provider in the field of peacekeeping operations. Our peacekeeping training centers host regular courses, support the drafting and revision of UN policies and manuals, and contribute to pre-deployment training of TCCs, including through the UN Triangular Partnership

Program. Last September, Brazil hosted a course for un police training within the TPP.

The Brazilian government is committing now to expanding partnerships in training and capacity-building in Brazilian peacekeeping centers in the following areas:

- 1.Engineering Equipment Maintenance
- 2.Horizontal Engineering
- 3.Renewable Energy Management
- 4.Environmental Management
- 5.Well Drilling
- 6.UN Military Riverine Units
- 7.UN Maritime Task Force
- 8.UN Military Intelligence Officers in Peacekeeping Operations
- 9.Protection of Civilian
- 10.Mine Action
- 11.Civil-Military Coordination
- 12.National Investigation Officer

We also pledge to offer Mobile Training Teams to deliver courses in other countries under Trilateral Partnership Projects. This will encompass Engineering Project Management and Environmental Management.

A mobile training team is also available to deliver capacity building on Riverine Peacekeeping.

Reaffirming our commitment to the Women, Peace, and Security Agenda, we pledge to continue providing courses tailored for meaningful participation of women in peace operations. We also pledge to maximize efforts to meet, by 2024, the targets for women's participation as uniformed personnel set by the UN.

Through these actions, Brazil reaffirms its strong commitment to United Nations peacekeeping operations and seeks to contribute effectively to achieving concrete and tangible results aligned with the UN's training and capacity-building needs.

Thank you very much.