



Conference of the States Parties

**International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced
Disappearance**

Intervention by Brazil

Mr. President

Brazil welcomes the convening of the Conference of States Parties and reiterates its full commitment to the protection of all persons against enforced disappearance.

We consider enforced disappearances as one of the cruelest forms of human rights violations. It severely impairs the rights of the disappeared persons, as well as the rights of their families and loved ones, with long-lasting consequences in all aspects of their lives. Enforced disappearances constitute a great threat to democracy and the rule of law.

The ICPPED established an important regime to prevent, punish and redress such crimes, based on the States Parties' commitment to take the appropriate measures to enforce the Convention and on the Committee on Enforced Disappearances' mandate to monitor violations worldwide, promote accountability and provide redress to the victims.

We acknowledge the challenges faced by Committee members with regards to excessive workload and capacity to timely consider all urgent matters under their consideration. We believe that the work of the Committee must be supported with all the necessary resources to meet its objectives and needs. Brazil believes that the committee must not be discontinued. We also urge all States Parties to cooperate with the Committee in the discharge of its mandate.

Brazil fully supports the continuity of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, as established by the ICPED. We understand that ANY proposals to change its structure or mandate should be considered in the wider context of the comprehensive review of the human rights treaty body system, established by UNGA Resolution 68/268, with a view to ensuring its sustainability and effectiveness.

I thank you