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Statement from the COP30 President-Designate on the UN Secretary-General's Special Address

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Hello,

Below please find a statement by Ambassador André Corrêa do Lago, COP30 President-Designate, on the UN Secretary-General's Special Address

"I commend Secretary-General António Guterres for his leadership and for today's pressing call to action.

At a time of growing urgency in the climate crisis, his message is a clear reminder that the energy transition is underway – but still far from fast or fair enough. It also reaffirms that multilateralism is essential to delivering results at the necessary speed and scale.

As the incoming COP30 Presidency, Brazil fully supports this call – which directly reflects the objectives guiding our work towards COP30: to protect and strengthen multilateralism; to connect the climate process with the daily lives of people; and to advance and accelerate the implementation of the Paris Agreement beyond the UNFCCC – including through the real economy and the whole of society.

At the center of this agenda is the next round of NDCs to be submitted by countries by September. These must go beyond ambition: they must become climate plans that create jobs, reduce inequalities, and bring prosperity to all. Inclusion is not an accessory to climate ambition – it is its very economic and political strength.

This is the spirit of the partnership launched by the Secretary-General and President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva at UNGA79, focused on NDCs, public mobilization, and information integrity. We are proud to be working together to make this vision a reality.

The moment demands courage – and collective action. The path forward is clear. Let us now move with the urgency this crisis requires."

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