



**MISSION PERMANENTE DU BRESIL AUPRES DE L'OFFICE DES NATIONS UNIES
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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 Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honor to refer to the Note Verbale n. 13, dated 21 January 2022, in response to the the joint communication OL BRA 13/21, from the Special Rapporteur on human rights defenders and the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva would like to forward additional observations of the Government of Brazil regarding the aforementioned letter.

The Permanent Mission of Brazil in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.




Geneva, 25th February, 2022.

*To the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
Special Procedures Branch
Chief*

ANNEX

**ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF BRAZIL
REGARDING LETTER OL BRA 13/2021 (10/27/2021)**

I refer to the preliminary reply sent by the Brazilian government, on January 21, with respect to the letter AL BRA 13/2021, referring to the situation of human rights defenders Anacleta Pires da Silva, Joércio Pires da Silva and Elias Belfort Pires. In addition to this reply, I have the honor to convey the following additional elements.



3. The 3rd Prosecutor's Office of the District of Itapecuru Mirim notes that there is no criminal proceeding against the human rights defenders mentioned in the letter AL BRA 13/2021. There was, though, a Circumstantial Term of Occurrence (TCO), held at the Police Station of Itapecuru-Mirim according to Mr. Bartolomeu Vieira de Araújo's note.

