

Charter of Principles

Considering that Brazil should be governed in its international relations by the prevalence of human rights (art.4, II of the Constitution);

Considering the principles and obligations under the Brazilian Constitution aimed at protecting and promoting the rights and guarantees (Title II of the Constitution);

Considering the fundamental commitment to democratic control and participation, advertising and morality that should permeate all spheres of exercise of power by the state, assumed in our constitution (art. 1, II; art. Caput 37 of the Constitution);

Whereas foreign policy, although the primary responsibility of the executive (Art.84, VII, VIII, XIV, XIX and XX), is also subject to the ownership and control of the legislative (art. 49, I, II and X; art .. 50 paragraph 1) and judicial (art. 102, I and art. 5, XXXV of the Constitution);

Considering the priorities listed by the National Human Rights (2002) which prescribe how the duties of the Brazilian State, among others: the diffusion of the concept of human rights as a necessary and indispensable to the formulation, implementation and evaluation of public policies and the implementation of acts, declarations and international treaties to which Brazil is a party and that rights and duties under the Constitution, especially those enrolled in art. 5 (respectively, art. 2, III, art. 2, IV, art. 2, VI of Decree 4.229/2002)

Considering the regional commitment of Brazil with the main instruments of inter-American human rights, especially the American Convention on Human Rights (1969);

Considering the international commitment of Brazil with major international human rights instruments, especially the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948), the Covenant of Civil and Political Rights (1966) and the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1966);

Representatives of civil society organizations, international agencies and the three branches of government who gathered in Brasilia, celebrated the creation of the Brazilian Committee of Human Rights and Foreign Policy.

Mission

The Brazilian Committee of Human Rights and Foreign Policy's mission is to:

"Promoting the prevalence of human rights in Brazilian foreign policy and strengthen citizen participation and social control over this policy, through

mechanisms for dialogue between the powers of the Brazilian state and civil society."

Commitments

The entities that compose the Brazilian Committee of Human Rights and Foreign Policy undertake to develop activities related to human rights promotion and monitoring of Brazilian foreign policy with an impact on fundamental rights and, through the Committee, to:

1. Influence and monitor the process of decision-making of Brazilian foreign policy that generate impacts on the protection and promotion of human rights at the national level, including, among others, the negotiation, ratification and implementation of regional and international instruments relating to or bearing on the protection of human rights;

2. Influence and monitor the process of defining the Brazilian position in multilateral and bilateral relations that generate impacts on protecting and promoting human rights internationally;

In addition, entities that adhere to the letter of principles undertake to respect the diversity of interests of other members of the Committee, to encourage the promotion of social dialogue and the discussions above partisan foreign policy and human rights.

Lines of action

The Committee will develop activities in the following lines:

Promoting the creation and strengthening of formal mechanisms for citizen participation in the development, implementation and monitoring of Brazilian foreign policy on human rights;

Promotion of joint spaces and dialogue between the various governmental and non-governmental organizations involved in the development, implementation and monitoring of Brazilian foreign policy on human rights;

Promotion of education activities in foreign policy and human rights, aiming to qualify the performance of the various actors involved in formulating, implementing and monitoring this policy;

Production and dissemination of information on the preparation and conduct of Brazilian foreign policy on human rights, aimed at giving more visibility to the issue.