

**Yemen Conference 2022 – High-Level Pledging Event for the
Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen
(Geneva, 16 March 2022)**

Statement from Brazil

Brazil thanks OCHA, Sweden and Switzerland for convening this important event.

The situation in Yemen, often described as "the worst humanitarian crisis in current times", continues to deteriorate. 21 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance and too many lives have been lost in this conflict, which cannot be solved through military means.

We renew our call on all parties to agree to an immediate nationwide ceasefire and to engage in good faith in direct talks under the leadership of Special Envoy Hans Grundberg, who has our full support.

The current humanitarian crisis and regional security threats will end only with a sustainable and inclusive peace.

Brazil is fully aware of the challenges to peace and recovery in Yemen. As a non-permanent member of the Security Council, we will continue to promote constructive engagement, keeping in mind the need to protect civilians and to safeguard humanitarian and economic activities.

While more humanitarian funding is urgently needed to keep essential UN programmes running and saving lives, aid alone cannot sustain a population of 30 million. We should strive to protect the Yemeni economy and its vital links to the world, in a comprehensive manner, supporting initiatives aiming at generating income, reducing prices and promoting better macro-economic conditions

Brazil has decided to pledge a seventy-five thousand U.S. dollars contribution to Yemen, through WFP.

It is a modest contribution, in times of severe constraints, but we hope it will help generate wider support for the cause of alleviating the distress of the Yemeni people.

Thank you.