

**PERMANENT DELEGATION OF BRAZIL
TO THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED
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The Permanent Delegation of Brazil to FAO, IFAD and WFP presents its compliments to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and, regarding HLPE's 3rd Note on Critical, Emerging and Enduring Issues, has the honor to convey some comments to the consultation opened to members of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) .

2. Firstly, Brazil would like to express its preference for Key issue number 1 ("Building resilient supply chains for food security and nutrition") and would also like to highlight the importance to add the following reflections for further elaboration by HLPE:

- How do tariff and non-tariff barriers to free international trade affect agricultural production, commercialization and distribution in supply chains?
- How does agricultural subsidies distort international food prices?
- How does export restrictions and other "ad hoc" measures may distort international food prices?



- How do unilateral sanctions affect inputs supplies, essential to food production?

- What can be done to strengthen transparency in international markets?

3. Additionally, Brazil would like to express its opposition to include extraneous subjects to the discussions of CFS, as suggested in Key issue number 3 ("Conflicts and the fragility of food systems"), as the focus of all investigations held by HLPE should be directly related to food security and nutrition, and should not abduct topics pertaining to other fora.

4. Finally, Brazil would like to underscore its opposition to researches and debates outside the mandate of CFS, based on HLPE's reports, which have shown a clear trend to include the broader concept of "food systems" instead of prioritizing that of "Food Security and Nutrition".

The Permanent Delegation of Brazil avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations the assurances of its high consideration.



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