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STATEMENT ON THE INVASION OF THE SUPREME COURT OF JUSTICE, THE PALACE OF GOVERNMENT AND THE PARLIAMENT OF BRAZIL

THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JUDGES – **IAJ** is a professional and non-political international organization, founded in 1953, which brings together national associations of judges from 94 countries and whose main aim is to safeguard the independence of the judiciary, which is an essential requirement of the judicial function, guaranteeing human rights and freedom.

THE IBERO-AMERICAN GROUP OF THE IAJ EXPRESSES REJECTION of the invasions of the Supreme Court, the Palace of Government and the Parliament of Brazil, and the depredations of their facilities, which took place today in the Capital of the country.

EMPHASIZES that the deplorable scenes of vandalism witnessed today represent a terrible attack on public property in Brazil, as well as a serious attack on the Rule of Law, as well as on democracy itself.

REITERATES the call to respect the constitutional order.

Sao Paulo, Brazil, January 8th, 2023.

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