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Council for Trade in Services

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**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE III:3 OF THE
GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN SERVICES**

The following notification, dated 12 October 2020, from the delegation of Brazil, is being circulated to Members of the Council for Trade in Services.

1 MEMBER NOTIFYING:

The Federative Republic of Brazil

2 NOTIFICATION UNDER:

Article III:3 of the General Agreement on Trade in Services

3 DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE:

2 October 2020

3.1 Duration:

30 days

4 AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE MEASURE:

Ministry of Justice and Public Security

5 DESCRIPTION OF THE MEASURE:

Joint Ordinance ("Portaria Conjunta") No. 470 of the Ministries of the Chief of Staff of the Presidency; Justice and Public Security; Infrastructure; and Health. It is the latest iteration out a series of provisional joint ordinances which have been issued since last March on conditions for entry in Brazil of foreign natural persons during the pandemic.

Joint Ordinance No. 470 provides for exceptional and temporary restrictions on the entry of foreign natural persons (mostly non resident) by land, sea or internal waterways, for a period of 30 days, regardless of nationality and as technically recommended by the National Health Surveillance Agency (ANVISA) for sanitary reasons related to risks of contagion and spread of the new coronavirus. Admission of foreign nationals by air is allowed.

Restrictions do not apply, *inter alia*, to:

- i) cargo transportation;
- ii) foreign maritime crew, under certain conditions;
- iii) foreigners with permanent residence, for a fixed or indefinite period, in the Brazilian territory;

- iv) foreigners a) who are a spouse, partner, son, father or curator of a Brazilian national; b) whose entry is specifically authorized by the Brazilian Government on grounds of public interest or for humanitarian reasons (on a case-by-case basis); and c) who are bearers of the National Migration Registry.

Exceptions are also made to allow for the admission of foreigners located in countries sharing a land border with Brazil who need to cross it to board a return flight to their country of residence, if duly authorized by the Federal Police of Brazil.

6 MEMBERS SPECIFICALLY AFFECTED, IF ANY:

None

7 TEXTS AVAILABLE FROM:

Enquiry Points
