

FEDERATIVE REPUBLIC OF BRAZIL

STATEMENT ON THE OCCASION OF THE HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT OF THE 34TH MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE MONTREAL PROTOCOL ON SUBSTANCES THAT DEplete THE OZONE LAYER

Montreal, 3rd November 2022

Madam Executive Secretary
Mr. MOP President
Your Excellencies,
Distinguished delegates,

On behalf of Brazil, I would like to thank the government of Canada and the Ozone Secretariat for convening this High-Level session at the 34th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol.

I should also like to congratulate you, Mr. President, for assuming the Presidency of this MOP Session.

This year we celebrate 35 years of the Montreal Protocol. The instrument is unequivocal proof of the potential for international cooperation in the protection of the environment, in particular the ozone layer. The efforts resulting from the Protocol have allowed for a significant decrease in Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS) in the atmosphere since 1980, with significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and in cases of dermatological and eye diseases worldwide.

Brazil as a Party to the Vienna Convention and its Montreal Protocol has followed suit and shown successful results in its compliance. In 2010, we fulfilled our commitment to eliminate the consumption of CFCs and, today, we have already eliminated 63% of the domestic consumption of HCFCs through our HPMP.

Mr. President,

To Brazil, this is a year of double celebration as we officially ratified the Kigali Amendment on the last 19th of October. In doing so, we have reiterated our longstanding commitment to combating climate change as well as the willingness of our government, industry, and civil society to contribute to the timely phase-down of HFCs.

The Kigali Amendment is, from our perspective, a core element of our coordinated efforts to combat climate change. It increases the already ambitious outcomes of the Montreal Protocol while providing us with the opportunity to reduce the global temperature and promote relevant socio-economic co-benefits.

We know this is a path of not only great responsibilities but also great opportunities, in particular for the modernization of our national industry, the promotion of the Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals, and combating climate change.

In this regard, we should reiterate the important role the Multilateral Fund has been playing in assisting article 5 countries to address the ozone layer challenges, based on the principles of common but differentiated responsibilities. The future TEAP studies and the upcoming replenishment of the MLF represents a window of opportunity for us to raise ambition in our action to protect the ozone layer and provide adequate, and predictable resources for the timely transition to HFC alternatives and enhance energy efficiency in this context.

Mr. President,

Brazil would like to reassure you of our commitment to protecting the ozone layer and to a successful outcome of MOP 34.

Thank you.