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***General Debate***

**Statement by the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies of Brazil,**

**Hon. Hugo Motta**

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Mrs. Tulia Ackson, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, in whose person I greet all those in the podium,

Madam and Mister Speakers of Parliaments and other Heads of Delegation, Permanent Representatives and other diplomatic agents,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great honor to represent the Parliament of Brazil in this Sixth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament, in Geneva, a beacon of international cooperation.

In the year that we celebrate 80 years of the end of the Second World War and the creation of the United Nations, the international context is stained by growing geopolitical tensions, intolerance, protectionism and the weakening of multilateralism.

We face, at the same time, the existential challenges from climate change and the astonishing digitalization of life.

This context and these challenges require more – and not less – dialogue.

More – and not less – cooperation.

More – and not less – diplomacy.

They also require a revitalization of the international institutions, so that they become more representative, efficient and effective for all.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Chamber of Deputies of Brazil has dedicated itself to fostering a legislative agenda responsive to the challenges of our times.

With regard to sustainability, we are committed to energy transition and ambitious goals on de-carbonization.

We have enacted landmark laws such as those on green hydrogen, fuel of the future, the Brazilian carbon credit market, sustainable mobility, climate adaptation and offshore energy.

COP 30, which Brazil, together with the United Nations, will have the honor to host in the city of Belém do Pará next November, will be an opportunity for us to show to the world, once again, the key role played by the Brazilian Parliament in the sustainable development agenda.

We expect to announce shortly the details on the parliamentary meeting in the context of COP 30, in partnership with the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

On the digital world, the Brazilian Parliament makes progress in discussing a bill on artificial intelligence, with a view to promoting innovation, safeguarding rights and mitigating risks in its use.

Other proposals under scrutiny aim at protecting children and teenagers, preventing crimes using artificial intelligence, and promoting the conscious use of digital technologies.

At the trade domain, we have adopted the Economic Reciprocity Law.

With it, Brazil is equipped with adequate instruments to respond to discriminatory practices against Brazilian products.

It is a serene, but solid, response, in line with our deep concern about the misuse of unilateral trade measures for protectionist purposes and to interfere with domestic affairs of other countries.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Parliamentary diplomacy is among the priorities of the Brazilian Parliament.

In 2024, Brazil, in partnership with the Inter-Parliamentary Union, hosted the Tenth P20 Summit – the meeting of G20 Parliaments. For the first time, we promoted a meeting of P20 women parliamentarians.

In June 2025, we hosted the BRICS Parliamentary Forum, strengthening parliamentary cooperation and elevating the Global South representativeness.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Parliaments have a key mission in this complex international conjuncture.

We have the responsibility to ensure that our respective national governments abide by the United Nations Charter, double their efforts toward the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, and work for the implementation of the Pact for the Future, recently adopted by the UN General Assembly.

As the main guardians of democracy in our countries, we have also to be the architects of a future where reason prevails over force, where understanding overrides confrontation, where we build bridges not walls.

From this Conference let us take the assurances that, together, we can make a peaceful, resilient, just and sustainable world, to the benefit of each nation and all citizens we represent.

Thank you.