

## Options in Brief

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### Option 1: Democratize Brazilian Society

For more than twenty years, Brazilians have waited for authoritarianism to give way to democracy. It is time to stop waiting. We must join together to rally for political change in Brazil through a movement for direct elections. We cannot wait for social justice because ultimately social justice is not a matter of time, it is a matter of policy. We should harness the energies and unite behind the efforts of workers, political parties, intellectuals, and activists within the Catholic Church. We must organize together to create a strong opposition to the authoritarian state and continue to protest until our voices are heard. Brazil must change and it is up to us to make that change.

### Option 2: Prioritize Security and Stability

Though vast and powerful, Brazil remains vulnerable to domestic and international threats to its national security, economic interests, and political aspirations. We must work to maintain stability in our society by defending Brazil's strongest institutions—including the military. Our national security and the defense of our national interests are our country's foremost concerns; the past two decades have shown that the military is the most able body to address these issues. Liberty is an important ideal, but freedom has little meaning without security. Brazil requires strong leadership to protect its security and interests today and guide it into a stronger and more secure tomorrow.

### Option 3: Work Towards a Socialist Society

We should commit ourselves to ending Brazil's long history of injustice and inequality by pursuing the path of socialism. Most Brazilians live in near poverty and one out of five lives in destitution. Meanwhile, the country's rich are among the world's wealthiest. For the past five hundred years one small portion of the population has ruled Brazil. Current social, political, and economic systems serve the powerful and not the powerless. It is time for the voices of the powerless to be heard. We should build a movement for change around the mobilization of the working class. We must embolden the Workers Party in its efforts to orchestrate large-scale strikes and organize protests against the government.

### Option 4: Become a Player on the World Stage

Brazil has long played a leading role among Latin American countries; it is time to take this leadership role to the world scale and become a player on the international stage. Brazil is constrained by its political, economic, and social situations and remains incapable of achieving its full potential. We must make any and all reforms necessary to join the ranks of modern states and to achieve international prominence. Above all, Brazil must become a democracy and stabilize its economy. Also, we must take a more active role in international organizations and global discourse. World prominence lies in Brazil's future; it is both the privilege and responsibility of the country to work towards this position of global leadership.