

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Gabrielle Howard
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ **OR** None
b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: May 24, 2026 Return: May 30, 2026
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ **OR** None
4. Departure City: Brazil, Washington Destination: Brazil, Brasilia + Sao Paulo Return City: Washington, D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Inter American Dialogue
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Meetings with senior Brazilian government officials, Members of the Brazilian Congress, private sector leaders, civil society representatives, and U.S. Embassy personnel to advance U.S. interests in bilateral relations, trade and investment cooperation, energy collaboration and other priority areas.
Meetings with senior Brazilian government officials, Members of the Brazilian Congress, private sector leaders, civil society representatives, and U.S. Embassy personnel to advance U.S. interests in bilateral relations, trade and investment cooperation, energy collaboration and other priority areas.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box:*
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: _____

Date: June 4, 2026

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Sydney Kamlager Dove

Date: June 4, 2026

Signature of Supervising Member: _____

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated in the trip within 10 days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House Rules and the Committee's Travel Regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: Inter-American Dialogue

2. Travel Destination(s): Brasilia and Sao Paulo, Brazil

3. Date of Departure: May 24, 2026 Date of Return: May 30, 2026

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Gabrielle Howard with Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove - CA

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if **all** information is **identical** for each person listed.

5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$3,739	\$1,017 3 nights in Brasilia + early check in fee and 1 night in Sao Paulo	\$679	\$1,477 (visa fee,s translation, ground transport (shared van), taxi to/from DC airport, travel agency and event agency fees
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: 6/4/26

Name: Rebecca Bill Chavez Title: President and CEO

Organization: Inter-American Dialogue

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 1155 15th St. NW, #800, Washington, DC

Telephone: 202-384-9140 Email: gbrancospiess@thedialogue.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.

COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection.

This form and any attachments may be submitted at 1015 Longworth House Office Building or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Gabrielle Howard

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Gabrielle Howard

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Sydney Kamlager-Dove

Office Address: CHOB 144

Telephone Number: 202-225-7084

Email Address of Contact Person: gabrielle-howard@gmail.com

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Gabrielle Howard
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: The Inter-American Dialogue
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Brazil
4. a. Date of Departure: May 24, 2026 Date of Return: May 30, 2026
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other(specify): _____
(3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age?
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitation, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**
I serve as legislative director for a co-chair of the Brazil Caucus + a member of the foreign affairs committee. The meetings + programming will improve my understanding of foreign relations between Brazil + the U.S.
9. Yes No **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain. to better advise my member of congress

Signature of Employing Member:  Date: 4/23/26

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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

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1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

The Inter-American Dialogue

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. *Check only one.* I represent that:

- a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; *OR*
b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; *OR*
c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): see attached list
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5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: May 24, 2026 Date of Return: May 30, 2026

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC (IAD - Dulles Airport)

b. Destination(s): Brasilia, and Sao Paulo, Brazil

c. City of return: Washington, DC (IAD - Dulles Airport)

8. *Check only one.* I represent that

- a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; *OR*
b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; *OR*
c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. *Check only one of the following.*
- a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; OR
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; OR
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; OR
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted. _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. *Check only one of the following.*
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box;* OR
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

The Inter-American Dialogue provides a series of educational events and resources for policy makers. The Dialogue is sponsoring a year-long series of educational events (briefings, on-line forums, analyses, etc.) as part U.S.- Brazil Dialogue series. This Delegation Trip is one event within that series of activities that will enhance policy makers and staff awareness of key Brazilian institutions, policy issues, economic and trade ties. The Inter-American Dialogue is the sole sponsor and is responsible for organizing and conducting all aspects of this trip.

13. *Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:*

- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted: _____

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

15. *Check only one.* I represent that either:

- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; OR

- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:

1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): Brasilia - \$123 for Meals (per diem rate) per person/ day
Sao Paulo - \$135/meals per person/day (per diem rates)

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Meetings with Brazilian government officials in Brasilia, including Brazilian National Congress, Meeting with Vice Presidency, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Ministry of Mining and Energy, Supreme Court, etc.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: Windsor Brasilia City: Brasilia Cost Per Night: \$272

Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to government ministry meetings

Hotel Name: Canopy by Hilton City: Sao Paulo Cost Per Night: \$291

Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to meetings because traffic is notoriously bad in Sao Paulo

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____

Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$8,400	\$1,083 <i>*see attached addendum</i>	\$679
For each Accompanying Family Member			


	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	ground transportation, taxis, translation services, visas, event coordination, etc.	\$1,000 (estimate)
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. *Check only one:*

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; OR
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: April 15, 2026
 Name: Rebecca Bill Chavez Title: President and CEO
 Organization: The Inter-American Dialogue
 Address: 1155 15th St. NW, #800, Washington, DC 20005
 Email: brazil@thedialogue.org; kmitre@thedialogue.org Telephone: 202-822-9002

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Primary Trip Sponsor Form Addendum

Inter- American Dialogue Brazil-U.S. Dialogue May 24-30

Question 18: Due to overnight flight May 24-25, and early morning arrival, an extra night was included to guarantee that rooms would be available for attendees when they arrive to refresh prior to delegation meetings that same day. Total lodging expenditures are \$1,379 (4 nights in Brasilia at \$272 per diem rate and 1 night in Sao Paulo at \$291)

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1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:

The Inter-American Dialogue

2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*

3. **Check only one.** I represent that:

a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip; **OR**

b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds; **OR**

c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds, services, or in-kind assistance from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.

If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____

4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary): see attached list

5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?

6. Date of Departure: May 24, 2026 Date of Return: May 30, 2026

7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC (IAD - Dulles Airport)

b. Destination(s): Brasilia, and Sao Paulo, Brazil

c. City of return: Washington, DC (IAD - Dulles Airport)

8. **Check only one.** I represent that

a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965; **OR**

b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent; **OR**

c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.

9. **Check only one of the following.**
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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*

11. **Check only one of the following.**
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify the statement is true by clicking the box; OR*
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.

12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:

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13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
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 - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted: _____

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For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
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20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: April 15, 2026
 Name: Rebecca Bill Chavez Title: President and CEO
 Organization: The Inter-American Dialogue
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- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation. If "b" is checked:
 - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): Brasilia - \$120 for Meals (per diem rate) per person/ day
Sao Paulo - \$131/meals per person/day (per diem rates)
 - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: Meetings with Brazilian government officials in Brasilia, including Brazilian National Congress, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Ministry of Mining and Energy, EMBRAPA, Supreme Court, etc.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: B Hotel City: Brasilia Cost Per Night: \$264
Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to government ministry meetings

Hotel Name: Renaissance Sao Paulo City: Sao Paulo Cost Per Night: \$291
Reason(s) for Selecting: proximity to meetings because traffic is notoriously bad in Sao Paulo

Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
Reason(s) for Selecting: _____

17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$8,400	\$1,083	\$679
For each Accompanying Family Member			


	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	ground transportation, taxis, translation services, visas, event coordination, etc.	\$1,000 (estimate)
For each Accompanying Family Member		

19. **Check only one:**

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. **I certify by my signature that**

- a. **I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;**
- b. **I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and**
- c. **The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature:  Date: April 15, 2026
 Name: Rebecca Bill Chavez Title: President and CEO
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If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Primary Trip Sponsor Form Addendum

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Question 18: Due to overnight flight May 24-25, and early morning arrival, an extra night was included to guarantee that rooms would be available for attendees when they arrive to refresh prior to delegation meetings that same day. Total lodging expenditures are \$1,379 (4 nights in Brasilia at \$272 per diem rate and 1 night in Sao Paulo at \$291)

U.S. Brazil Dialogue

Congressional Delegation Trip to Brazil – May 24-30

Rationale for invitations: Invited Representatives and staff were invited due to strong state ties with Brazil, including either large Brazilian diaspora communities or strong trade ties due to significant trade between their state and Brazil.

Additionally, Senators and staff were invited due to their committee assignments on the House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC), and Western Hemisphere (WHA) subcommittee, or Ways and Means Committee, and interest in Brazil related economic, trade or social issues. House staffers were invited due to their role as Foreign Policy Advisor, National Security Advisor, Chief/Deputy Chief of Staff for their respective Senator, role in committees and focus on Western Hemisphere affairs.

Invited Members of Congress:

- 1) Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove (CA-37-D) – co chair of the Brazil Caucus and House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC)- diaspora and CA #6 trade
- 2) Congressman Gregory Meeks (NY-5-D) – House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC)
- 3) Congressman Maxwell Frost (FL -10-D) – Oversight and Gov Reform & Transport
- 4) Congressman Jared Moskowitz (FL-23-D) – HFAC & Judiciary – diaspora & trade
- 5) Congressman Adriano Espaillat (NY-3-D) – NY large diaspora
- 6) Congressman Greg Casar (TX-25-D) – Education, workforce and Oversight- TX #1 exporter
- 7) Congressman Jon Jackson (IL-1-D)- Ag and HFAC (IL #5 exporter to Brazil)
- 8) Congressman Ro Khanna (CA-17-D)- CA #6 exporter to Brazil
- 9) Congresswoman Maria Salazar (FL-27-R) – FL – large diaspora & #2 exporter
- 10) Congresswoman Claudia Tenney (NY-R) - Ways and Means, Science and Tech, and Intelligence – large diaspora
- 11) Congressman Carlos Gimenez (FL-28-R)- FL large diaspora & # 2 exporter
- 12) Congressman Lance Gooden (TX-5-R) –co-chair Brazil Caucus and Judiciary and Armed Services Committees
- 13) Congressman Darin LaHood (IL-16-R) – former co-chair of the Brazil Caucus and Ways and Means Committee
- 14) Congressman Michael McCaul (TX-10-R) – House Foreign Affairs Committee
- 15) Congressman Joaquin Castro (TX-20-D) – HFAC
- 16) Congresswoman Lois Frankel (FL-22-D)- Appropriations
- 17) Congresswoman Katherine Clarke (MA-5-D) – House Minority Whip
- 18) Congresswoman Beth Van Duyne (TX-24-R) – small business and ways and means
- 19) Congressman Jim McGovern (MA-02-D) – Ag and rules
- 20) Chairman Brian Mast (FL-21-R), Chairman for House Foreign Affairs Committee
- 21) Congresswoman Young Kim (CA-R)- HFAC and Financial Services
- 22) Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart (FL-26-R)- FL diaspora & #2 exporter

- 23) Congressman Rob Menendez (NJ-8-D)- large diaspora
- 24) Congresswoman Lori Trahan (MA-3-D) – Energy and Commerce - diaspora
- 25) Congresswoman Linda Sanchez (CA-38-D) – Ways and Means - diaspora
- 26) Congresswoman Kathy Castor (FL-14-D)- Energy and Commerce Committee
- 27) Congressman Brett Guthrie (KY-2-R)- KY #3 exporter
- 28) Congressman Chris Deluzio (PA-17-D)
- 29) Congressman Ami Bera (CA-6-D) – HFAC & Intelligence

House Staffers Invited:

- 1) **Matt McLaughlin, HFAC WHA staffer, Congressman Meeks, (NY-5-D) – HFAC Ranking Member**
- 2) **Deepa Patel, Deputy Chief of Staff, Congressman Jon Jackson (IL-1-D)- Ag and HFAC (IL # 5 exporter w/Brazil), HFAC/WHA**
- 3) **Sid Ravishankar, Deputy Chief of Staff, Congressman Joaquin Castro (TX-20-D), HFAC/WHA**
- 4) **S. Cole Ireland -R - Professional Staff Member, House Committee on Foreign Affairs (HFAC)- Western Hemisphere –Congressman Brian Mast (FL-21-R)**
- 5) **Gabrielle Howard, Legislative Director, Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove (CA-37-D) – co chair of the Brazil Caucus and House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC)**
- 6) Claire Alden - Deputy Chief of Staff, Congressman Lance Gooden (TX-5-R) – co-chair of the Brazil Caucus and Judiciary and Armed Services Committees
- 7) Anna McDonald, Senior Policy Advisor - Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove (CA-37-D) – co chair of the Brazil Caucus and House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC)
- 8) Sajit Gandhi, Democratic Staff Director, HFAC –Meeks (NY-D)
- 9) Mary Ellen Richardson - Chief of Staff, Congressman Darin LaHood (IL-16-R) – former co-chair of the Brazil Caucus and Ways and Means Committee
- 10) Brendan Shields, Senior Advisor, HFAC (R)
- 11) Charles Autin Johnson, Foreign Policy Advisor, Congresswoman Maria Salazar (FL-R)
- 12) Hilary Pinegar, Int'l Trade Policy Advisor House Ways and Means Committee
- 13) Shine Lee, Legislative Director for Yong Kim (CA-R)
- 14) Jorge Manuel Rueda, Trade Counsel, House Ways and Means Committee Trade Subcommittee



Final Schedule U.S.- Brazil Dialogue Staff Delegation Visit to Brazil - May 24-30
(Final Revised 5.31.2026 - post travel)

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Sunday, May 24

- 15:00 pm Check in for flight and Meet delegation at National Airport (DCA) GOL counter
- 17:24 pm Wheels Up -Depart from Washington, DCA via GOL airlines 6130 (flight time: 3 hrs)
- 20:19 pm Arrive Miami Airport for connection to GOL flight 7749 (layover 2 hours)
- 22:35 pm Depart Miami via GOL Flight 7749 (flight time 7 hours, 40 min)

Monday, May 25

- 7:15 am Wheels Down - Arrive Brasilia Airport and collect luggage
- 8:30 am Depart airport for hotel via group van (funded by IAD; Drive Time: 30 minutes)
- 9:00 am Arrive at [Hotel Windsor](#) for Check in
- 9:00 am-
12:30 pm Executive time
- 12:30 pm-
13:45 pm Lunch at Hotel Windsor Restaurant for pre-meeting briefing
Windsor Hotel Restaurant
- 14:00 pm Depart for Meeting at Vice Presidency
- 14:30 pm #1 Meeting with Vice- Presidency
- 15:30 pm Address: Palácio do Planalto, Anexo I, andar superior, ala A, Praça dos Três P
Poderes - Brasília/DF, CEP 70150-900.
Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to provide a deeper understanding of Brazil's economic development, industrial policy, and investment agenda from the perspective of the Vice Presidency. The Vice President previously served as Minister of Industry and Commerce, and the office plays a key role in Brazil's engagement with China through COSBAN. Staff will learn how Brazil is approaching supply chain resilience, critical minerals, and bilateral trade and investment, and how these priorities shape the U.S.–Brazil relationship. To discuss the administration's priorities for industrial development and competitiveness, including Brazil-US cooperation.
Participants: Celso de Tarso Pereira (Chief Diplomatic Advisor, Vice-Presidency), Daniel Matus, Giullleme
- 15:45 pm Depart Vice-Presidency of Brazil to Ministry of Industry (drive time: 15
minutes)
- 16:00 pm Arrive at MDIC
- 16:45 pm-
18:00 pm #2: Ministry of Development, Industry, and Trade (MDIC)
Address: Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco H - Palácio Itamaraty

Purpose: The meeting aims to provide an overview of Brazil’s economic development strategy, industrial policy priorities, investment agenda, and the broader initiatives led by MDIC to improve competitiveness and the business environment in Brazil. The discussion would also be an opportunity to explore the Ministry’s work across areas such as trade, industry, innovation, supply chains, and sustainable development, while highlighting the Brazil–US bilateral economic agenda, including trade relations, investment opportunities, regulatory cooperation, and ongoing dialogue on issues affecting the business environment in both countries.

Participants: Tatiana Prazeres (Foreign Trade Secretary), Aline Damasceno (Assistant Deputy Minister), Luiz Felipe Gieztera, National Council for Industrial Development (CNDI), Leonardo Ferreira (Deputy Secretary) , and Ricardo Zanata, Alexandre Lobo, (Chief of Special Advisor for International Affairs), Lucas Ramalh (Deputy Secretary for Green Economy, Decarbonization and Bio-industrial at MDIC), Juliana Volpi (Executive Secretary of External Relations for MDIC), Lucia Darios (Executive Secretary Advisor, MDIC)

- 18:00 pm Depart MDIC for hotel (Drive time: 15 minutes)
- 18:15 pm Arrive hotel for Executive Time (Dinner at the Hotel – charge to the room, up to \$60.00 per person)
- RON Windsor Brasília Hotel, SHN Q. 1 Conjunto A Bl. A - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70701-

Tuesday, May 26

- 7:30 am Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:30 am Depart Hotel for U.S. Embassy (drive time: 15 minutes) (bring passports for entry)
- 8:45 am Arrive U.S. Embassy
- 9:00 am-10:00 am #3 Private Briefing with U.S. Embassy Chargé d’Affaires Gabriel Escobar and DCM Kim Kelly
Location: U.S. Embassy, St. de Embaixadas Sul 801- Asa Sul, Brasília – DF, 70200-010; POC: Rishi Deasi Cell/WhatsApp - +55 61 99164-7495
Purpose: Overview briefing with U.S. Chargé and DCM on Brazil-U.S . relations, to set the context for government meetings in Brasilia and Sao Paulo, including recent updates on political events, and context for civil society meetings.

Participants: Gabriel Escobar (Chargé d’Affaires), Kim Kelly (DCM) and Rishi Desai (External Affairs Unit Chief)

10:15 am Depart U.S. Embassy (drive time: 15 minutes)

10:30 am Arrive at the Presidency

10:45 am #4: Meeting at the Presidency

11:45 am Address: Praça dos Três Poderes, s/n, Zona Cívico-Administrativa, Brasília - DF, CEP: 70150-900

Purpose: To discuss the priorities for foreign policy and trade of the Lula administration. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a direct understanding of Brazil’s foreign policy priorities from the perspective of the Presidency. Staff will meet with the President of Brazil’s foreign policy advisor, who serves as a direct channel to the President on international affairs, to discuss how Brazil assesses the current global landscape and how it defines its relationship with the United States. The meeting will help staff better understand Brazil’s approach to regional stability, democracy, multilateral institutions, China, climate and energy diplomacy, trade, and other issues that shape U.S.–Brazil relations.

Participants: Audo Araujo Faleiro (Deputy Chief Advisor at the Special Advisory Office of the President of the Republic), Sergio Xavier (Presidency)

12:00 pm Depart Presidency (drive time: 15 minutes)

12:15 pm Arrive Ministry of Mines and Energy

12:15 pm- #5: Meeting with Ministry of Mines and Energy

13:15 pm Address: Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco U, em Brasília/DF, CEP: 70.065-900

Purpose: To understand Brazil’s energy and mining policy framework, with a focus on critical minerals, energy transition, and regulatory priorities affecting investment and bilateral cooperation.

Participants: Ana Paula Bittencourt (National Secretary for Geology, Mining and Mineral Transformation), Jose Luis Ubaldino de Lima (Director of the Department of Geology and Mineral Production) Anderson Barreto Arruda (Director of Mineral Transformation and Technology), Thomas Johannes Schrage (General Coordinator of Geology, Mining, and Mineral Transformation), Luis Guilherme Parga Cintra

(Head of the International Affairs Office), Gustavo Masili (General Coordinator for Strategic Minerals and Energy Transition in the Mining Sector at SNGM/MME), Loyane Ferreira Cavalcanti (staff)

- 13:15 pm Depart Ministry of Mines (drive time: 15 minutes)
- 13:30 pm Arrive Lunch (no meetings for lunch)
- 13:30 pm-
14:40 pm Lunch at Mercado Mane in Brasilia
Address: Mercado Mane - SRPN ST - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70070-701
- 15:15 pm Depart Lunch for Meeting with [Meeting with Ministry of Mines and Energy](#) (drive time: 15 minutes)
- 15:30 pm Arrive B Hotel for U.S. Chamber of Commerce Critical Minerals Event
- 15:35 pm #6: U.S. Chamber of Commerce Event on Critical Minerals and Reception
17:30 pm Address: B Hotel
Purpose: To engage with key stakeholders and gain a broader understanding of Brazil's critical minerals sector. It also aims to support informed discussions on opportunities for cooperation and the sector's global relevance.
Participants: 100 guests, including legislators, executive branch officials, regulators, private sector representatives, Fabrizio Panzini (Director for Public Policy at Amcham), Cassia Carvalho (Executive Director of the Brazil-US Business Council), Shawn Sullivan (Managing Director of Government Affairs for Latin America at Citi), Uallace Lima (Secretary of Industrial Development, Innovation, Trade and Services), Danielle Cancela Cronemberger (Special Secretary for Government Analysis at the Office of the Chief of Staff to the President)
- 17:30 pm-
18:00 pm Depart B Hotel for Windsor Hotel to drop bags
- 18: 05 pm Depart Windsor Hotel for Chief of Mission Residence (drive time: 30 minutes)
- 18:35 pm-
19:30 pm #7: Critical Minerals Reception at U.S. Chief of Mission Residence (CMR)
Address: SHIS Qi 26 – chácara 30, Lago Sul – Brasília-DF
Purpose: The Chargé d’Affaires a.i., of the United States of America

Gabriel Escobar is hosting a reception following the Forum on Critical Minerals to support a broader understanding of Brazil's Critical Minerals sector.

Participants: 100 guests, including legislators, executive branch officials, regulators, private sector representatives, and diplomats who participated in the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Event on Critical Minerals

- 19:30 pm Depart CMR for dinner (Drive time: 15 minutes)
- 19:45 pm #8: Meeting with Ministry of Management and Innovation in Public Services
22:00 pm Address: Marie Cuisine: SHCS CLS 103 - Asa Sul, Brasília - Federal District, 70342-
Purpose: To discuss perspectives on Brazil–U.S. bilateral relations, with a focus on economic cooperation and strategic sectors. The meeting will also explore Brazil's priorities under the Vice Presidency, including the role of critical minerals in industrial policy, supply chain resilience, and opportunities for collaboration.
Participants: Francisco Gaetani, Extraordinary Secretary for State Transformation, Sergio Xavier (Presidency), Guilherme Alberto Almeida de Almeida
- 21:00 pm Depart restaurant for Hotel (drive time: 15 minutes)
- 21:15 pm Arrive Hotel
- RON Windsor Brasília Hotel, SHN Q. 1 Conjunto A Bl. A - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70701-

Wednesday, May 27

- 7:45 am Meet in Hotel lobby for Breakfast meeting
- 08:00 am- #9: Breakfast with Civil Society Organizations
9:30 am Restaurant: Hotel Windsor P Level Room
Purpose: To engage with civil society leaders on their role in Brazil's democratic ecosystem, including perspectives on governance, accountability, and institutional dynamics. The discussion will also include observations on the current electoral cycle and broader views on Brazil's democratic landscape.
Participants: Vitor Oliveira (Pulso Publico), Bruno Brandao (Transparency International)
- 9:30 am - Executive Time
11:30 am

- 11:30 am Depart for Brazilian National Congress (Drive time: 15 minutes)
- 11: 45 am Arrive Brazilian National Congress (bring passports for entry)
- 12:10 pm Visit Brazilian National Congress Senate and House Chambers
13:15 pm
- 13:15 pm- #10: Meeting with Brazilian National Congress members and staff – House side
14:00 pm Address: Palácio do Congresso Nacional, na Praça dos Três Poderes, em Brasília - DF. O CEP é 70160-900
Purpose: Legislature-to-legislature exchange, including a discussion on critical minerals and Brazil’s technology landscape, as well as opportunities for cooperation between Brazil and the US in these areas.
Participants: Congressman Arnaldo Jardim
- 14:00 pm- Lunch in Senate Cafeteria and transit between Chambers from House to Senate
14:50 pm
- 15:00 pm #11: Meeting with Brazilian National Congress members and staff – Senate
15:45 pm Address: Palácio do Congresso Nacional, na Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília/DF, CEP 70165-900
Purpose: Legislature to Legislature exchange, including discussions on foreign policy and cooperation between Brazil and the United States, agribusiness in Brazil, and public safety.
Participants: Senator Tereza Cristina and staff Falvio
- 15:45 pm Depart Congress for Meeting at Supreme Court (drive time: 15 minutes)
- 16:00 pm Arrive Supreme Court for Tour of Supreme Court (passport for arrival via security)
17:00 pm
- 17:00 pm #12: Meeting at Supreme Court
18:00 pm Address: Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília - DF, CEP 70175-900
Purpose: To gain an overview of the role of Brazil’s Supreme Court within the constitutional framework, including its functions, decision-making processes, and interaction with other branches of government.

Participants: Staff to Supreme Court President Edson Fachin; Embaixador Roberto Doring, Andres.

- 18:00 pm Depart Supreme Court to MRE (Drive time: 10 minutes)
- 18:15 pm Arrive at the Ministry of Foreign Relations (MRE)
- 18:15 pm #13: Meeting at the Ministry of Foreign Relations (MRE)
19:30 pm Address: Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco H - Zona Cívico-Administrativa, 70170-900 - Brasília, DF (Anexo II do MRE, sala 212 (DPC))
Purpose: To understand MRE's priorities for Brazil's foreign policy, including the Brazil-US relationship
Participants: Minister Felipe Hees, Ambassador Alexandre Pena Ghisleni (Director of the Department of Economic, Financial and Services Policy)
- 19:45 pm Depart for dinner meeting
- 20:00 pm- #14: Dinner with Federal Police
22:30 pm Address: Rubayat Brasilia: 1 Esportivo Sul, St. de Clubes Esportivos Sul, Brasília - DF, 70200-001
Purpose: To exchange views with the Brazilian Federal Police on the growing challenge of illegal mining in the Amazon, assess its links to environmental crime and regional security, and explore opportunities for stronger Brazil-U.S. bilateral cooperation on enforcement, intelligence-sharing, and institutional coordination.
Participants: Gustavo Caminoto Geiser, Environmental Forensic Expert
- 22:30 pm Depart Restaurant for Hotel
- 22:45 pm Arrive Hotel for the night
- RON Windsor Brasília Hotel, SHN Q. 1 Conjunto A Bl. A - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70701-

Thursday, May 28 - (Sao Paulo)

- 7:00 am Breakfast
- 7:20 am Check out of Hotel

- 7:30 am Depart Hotel for Airport (drive time: 30 minutes)
- 8:00 am Arrive Brasilia Airport
- 9:45 am Flight from Brasilia to Sao Paulo (LATAM 4738; flight time 1 hour 45 minutes)
- 11:30 am Arrive Sao Paulo airport & collect luggage
- 12:00 pm Depart Sao Paulo Airport for lunch meeting (drive time: 30-60 minutes)
- 13:00 pm-
15:00 pm #15: Lunch Meeting with Sao Paulo State Government, InvestSP
Restaurant: Cantaloup
Address: R. Dr. Renato Paes de Barros, 65 - Itaim Bibi, São Paulo - SP, 04530-000, Brazil
Purpose: Discussion will focus on U.S.–Brazil trade and investment, industrial cooperation and competitiveness, and private sector perspectives on policy risk.
Participants: Samo Tosatti, Head of International Affairs of São Paulo State Government, and representatives from InvestSP- Rui Gomes and Julia Saluh (invest SP), Constanza Biasutti (CNI)
- 15:15 pm Depart Restaurant for Meeting at the Public Prosecutor's Office (30-60 minutes)
- 16:00 pm-
18:00 pm #16: Meeting with Public Prosecutor's Office of the State of São Paulo (MPSP)
Address: R. Riachuelo, 115 - Sé, São Paulo - SP, 01006-020, Brazil
Purpose: Meet with Sao Paulo Public Prosecutor in charge of organized crime investigations
Participants: Lincoln Gakiya, State Prosecutor and Paulo Sérgio de Oliveira e Costa, Prosecutor's Office, Beatriz, Public Prosecutor, Cars Gaya, Attorney, Julian, Organized Crime Unit
- 18:05 pm Depart for dinner meeting (drive time: 55-60 minutes)
- 19:00 pm Arrive Restaurant Fasano for Dinner
- 19:00 pm-
21:00 pm #17: Dinner Meeting with Private Sector - Agriculture
Restaurant: Marena Cucina
Address: Rua Pais de Araujo, 138, Itaim Bibi - Sala Pietra, São Paulo,

Purpose: Discussion with private sector representatives on agriculture where we explored key bottlenecks facing the industry in both Brazil and the United States, as well as opportunities to strengthen cooperation between the two countries.

Participants: representatives from the agricultural sector, including ABIEC (Associação Brasileira das Indústrias Exportadoras de Carnes) – Brazilian Association of Meat Exporting Industries. Marisa Cesar (Critical Minerals Association), Paulo Pianes (MBRF), Roberto Perosa (ABIEC), Liege Correia (JBS), Fernando Zelner (ABIEC), Fernanda Magnotta (Professor at FAAP and Fellow of Inter-American Dialogue Brazil Program), Paulo Sotero, Igor Patrick (Folha de Sao Paulo)

20:05pm Depart Dinner for Hotel (drive time 15-25 minutes)

20:30 pm Arrive hotel

RON Canopy by Hilton, R. Saint Hilaire, 40 - Jardim Paulista, São Paulo - SP, 01423-040

Friday, May 29

7:00 am Breakfast at the hotel and check out

8:00 am Depart Hotel for Amcham Event (Drive time: 40-60 minutes)

9:00 am- #18: American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham) event
11:15 am Address: Rua da Paz, 1431. Chácara Santo Antônio. São Paulo, SP 04713-001
Purpose: Brazil's Political and Economic Overview, focusing on the business environment. Sectoral Snapshots and Brazil-US Cooperation
Participants: U.S. Deputy Consul-General, Mr. Benjamin Wohlauer, Abrao M. Arabe Neto, President of AmCham Brazil, opened the discussion with an overview of the economic ties between the two countries and the opportunities for deeper bilateral cooperation. Leonardo Porto, Brazil Head Economist at Citi Brazil, then presented an overview of the country's current economic landscape, followed by Thiago Schwinke Vidal, Political Analysis Director at Prospectiva Public Affairs Latam, who shared insights on Brazil's political outlook and the road to the 2026 elections. The discussion also featured private sector representatives from companies with a strong stake in the bilateral relationship. Fabrizio Panzini, Amgen representative Fernanda Magnotta, Fellow of Inter-American Dialogue

- 11:30 am- 12:00 pm Depart Amcham for Lunch Meeting at Mani (drive time: 30 minutes)
- 12:00 pm- 13:00 pm #19: Internal Debrief Discussion with Delegation at Veranda Restaruant
Location: Verdana Restaurant, Rua General Mean, Barreto, 793 Jardim Paulista SP
Purpose: To hear delegation’s feedback about the trip and discusss next steps
- 13:00 pm- 15:00pm #20: Lunch with civil society organization on public security
Location: Veranda Resaturant, Rua General Mean, Barreto, 793 Jardim Paulista SP
Purpose and Participants: Met with David Marques from the Fórum Brasileiro de Segurança Pública to discuss the organization’s work and Brazil’s current public security landscape. The conversation covered topics such as the Brazilian prison system, the expansion of organized crime, and the implications of these dynamics for U.S.–Brazil cooperation on security and transnational crime.
- 15:05pm Depart restaurant for hotel (drive time: 15 minutes)
- 15:30 pm Arrive hotel to retrieve suitcases
- 17:30 pm Depart for Sao Paulo Airport (drive time: 90 minutes)
- 19:00 pm Arrive Sao Paulo airport
- 21:30pm Flight from Sao Paulo to Dulles - United flight UA-860) (Flight time: 10 hours)

Saturday, May 30

- 6:25 am Arrive IAD - Dulles International Airport and collect luggage



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Delegation Participants: Senior professional Congressional staff members from the House Foreign Affairs Committee (HFAC) or Senate Foreign Relations Committee (SFRC) and Foreign Affairs Advisors for Members of Congress with strong Brazil ties (diaspora or trade ties).

Dialogue Staff: Bruna Santos, Giulia Branco Spiess, Mickie Mitre, Ambassador Liliana Ayalde

Brasilia Hotel: B Hotel (Brasília Hotel), SHN Quadra 5 Bloco J, Lote L - Asa Norte, North Wing, Brasília, CEP 70705-100

(Rationale: Location is centrally located near government ministry meetings.)

Sao Paulo Hotel: [Renaissance São Paulo Hotel](#): Alameda Santos, 2233, Jardim Paulista, São Paulo, CEP 01419-002, Brazil

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Sunday, May 24

- 20:30 pm Check in for flight and Meet delegation at Dulles Airport United counter
- 22:30 pm Wheels Up -Depart from Washington, Dulles via United flight UA 861
(Flight time 14hours, 35 minutes)

Monday, May 25

- 9:30am Arrive Sao Paulo airport for connection and plane change (3-hour layover)
- 12:25 pm Depart Sao Paulo via United flight LA 3265
- 14:05 pm Wheels Down - Arrive Brasilia Airport and collect luggage
- 15:00 pm Depart airport for hotel via group van (funded by IAD)
- 15:30pm Arrive B Hotel for Executive Time
- 17:30pm Depart for Welcome Dinner
- 18:00 pm- **#1 Welcome Dinner with U.S. Embassy staff**
19:30 pm Restaurant: Marie Cuisine
Address: SHCS CLS 103 - Asa Sul, Brasília - Federal District, 70342-510, Brazil
- 19:35pm Depart restaurant for hotel
- 20:00 pm Arrive hotel for Executive Time
- RON B Hotel (Brasília Hotel)
SHN Quadra 5 Bloco J, Lote L - Asa Norte, North Wing, Brasília, CEP 70705-100

Tuesday, May 26

- 8:00 am Breakfast at Hotel
- 8:45 am Depart Hotel for Ministry of Industry and Commerce (drive time: 30 minutes)
- 9:15 am Arrive Ministry of Industry and Commerce

- 9:30am- #2 [Meeting with Ministry of Industry and Commerce](#)
- 11:00 am **Address:** Esplanada dos Ministérios - Ministério do Desenvolvimento, Indústria, Comércio e Serviços, Bloco J - CEP: 70053-900 - Brasília/DF.
- Purpose:** To discuss the Ministry’s priorities for industrial development and competitiveness, including strategies under Nova Indústria Brazil and opportunities for cooperation on critical minerals and supply chains.
- Participants:** Pedro Guerra, Chief of Staff to the Minister, Aline Damasceno, Deputy Secretary
- 11:30 am Depart Ministry of Industry and Commerce (drive time: 30 minutes)
- 12:00 pm- #3: **Lunch meeting with Brazilian Federal Police** to discuss issues related to
13:30pm illegal mining activities in the Amazon region and bilateral cooperation
- Restaurant:** Afeto
- Address:** SHIN, QL 10 - Brasília - DF
- Purpose:** To exchange views with the Brazilian Federal Police on the growing challenge of illegal mining in the Amazon, assess its links to environmental crime and regional security, and explore opportunities for stronger Brazil–U.S. bilateral cooperation on enforcement, intelligence-sharing, and institutional coordination.
- Participants:** Erich Moreira, Head of Geology Forensic Service | Brazilian Federal Police
- 13:35 pm Depart Lunch for Meeting with [Meeting with Ministry of Mines and Energy](#)
- 13:50 pm Arrive Ministry of Mines and Energy
- 14:00 pm- #4: **Meeting with Ministry of Mines and Energy**
- 15:30 pm **Address:** Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco U, em Brasília/DF, CEP: 70.065-900
- Purpose:** To understand Brazil’s energy and mining policy framework, with a focus on critical minerals, energy transition, and regulatory priorities affecting investment and bilateral cooperation.
- Participants:** Ana Paula Lima Vieira Bittencourt, National Secretary of Geology, Mining, and Mineral Transformation
- 15:35 pm Depart Ministry of Mines and Energy for Meeting with Ministry of Justice
- 16:00 pm- # 5: **Meeting with Ministry of Justice and Public Safety on security cooperation**

- 17:30 pm **Address:** Esplanada dos Ministérios, Bloco T, Ed. Sede, 5º Andar, Sala 500 – CEP: 70.064-900 – Brasília – DF
Purpose: To discuss the Ministry’s priorities and initiatives in public security, including approaches to organized crime and violence prevention, and to explore opportunities for U.S.–Brazil cooperation in law enforcement and security policy.
Participants: Francisco Lucas Costa Veloso, National Secretary of Public Safety
- 17:35 pm Depart for Dinner
- 18:00 pm **#6 Dinner with Ministry of Foreign Affairs Officials**
20:00 pm **Restaurant:** Tarso or at Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Itamaraty Palace
Address: Asa Norte CLN 308 Loja 59 - Asa Norte, Brasília - DF, 70747-530, Brazil
Purpose: To engage senior Ministry of Foreign Affairs officials on current priorities in Brazil’s relations with Europe and North America, exchange views on the bilateral agenda with the United States, and discuss areas for deeper cooperation on economic, financial, and strategic issues.
Participants: Ambassador Philip Fox-Drummond Gough, Secretary for Economic and Financial Affairs, Ambassador Roberto Abdalla, Secretary for Europe and North America
- 20:00 pm Depart restaurant for Hotel
- 20:15 pm Arrive Hotel
- RON Brasilia Hotel - B Hotel
SHN Quadra 5 Bloco J, Lote L - Asa Norte, North Wing, Brasília, CEP 70705-100

Wednesday, May 27

- 8:00 am Breakfast at Hotel Restaurant
- 8:45 am Depart Hotel for [Brazilian National Congress](#)
- 9:15 am Arrive Brazilian National Congress (bring passports for entry via security)
- 9:30 am- **# 7: Meeting with Brazilian National Congress members and staff – House side**

- 10:30am **Address:** Palácio do Congresso Nacional, na Praça dos Três Poderes, em Brasília - DF. O CEP é 70160-900
- Purpose:** Legislature-to-legislature exchange, including a discussion on critical minerals and Brazil’s technology landscape, as well as opportunities for cooperation between Brazil and the US in these areas.
- Participants:** Arnaldo Jardim (Brazilian Congressman) and Tabata Amaral (Brazilian Congresswoman)
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- 10:30am- Transit between Chambers from House to Senate side
10:45am
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- 10:45 am **# 8: Meeting with Brazilian National Congress members and staff – Senate side**
- 11:45 am **Address:** Palácio do Congresso Nacional, na Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília/DF, CEP 70165-900
- Purpose:** Legislature to Legislature exchange, including discussions on foreign policy and cooperation between Brazil and the United States, agribusiness in Brazil, and public safety.
- Participants:** Senator Nelsinho Trad (Senator, Brazil's Committee on Foreign Affairs and National Defense), Tereza Cristina (Senator), and Alessandro Vieira (Senator)
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- 11:45 am Depart Congress for lunch
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- 12:00 pm- **#9: Arrive Lunch with Civil Society Organizations**
13:30pm **Restaurant:** CHARD
- Address:** SHIS QL 10 20 Orla, St. de Habitações Individuais Sul Pontão do Lago Sul, Brasília - DF, 71630-100
- Purpose:** To engage with civil society leaders on their role in Brazil’s democratic ecosystem, including perspectives on governance, accountability, and institutional dynamics. The discussion will also include observations on the current electoral cycle and broader views on Brazil’s democratic landscape.
- Participants:** Marcelo Issa (Pulso Publico), Bruno Brandao (Transparency International)
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- 13:35 pm Depart Restaurant for Meeting at Supreme Court (drive time: 15 minutes)
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- 13:50 pm Arrive Supreme Court (passport for arrival via security)

- 14:00 pm #10 Meeting at Supreme Court
- 15:30 pm **Address:** Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília - DF, CEP 70175-900
Purpose: To gain an overview of the role of Brazil’s Supreme Court within the constitutional framework, including its functions, decision-making processes, and interaction with other branches of government.
Participants: André Ribeiro Giamberardino, Chief of Staff to Supreme Court
 President Edson Fachin
- 15:35 pm Depart Supreme Court to Brazil Electoral Court (Drive time: 15 minutes)
- 15:50 pm Arrive Brazil Electoral Court
- 16:00 pm **#11: [Meeting with Brazil Electoral Court](#)**
- 17:30 pm **Address:** Praça dos Três Poderes, Brasília - DF, CEP 70175-900
Purpose: To understand Brazil’s electoral system and the role of the Electoral Court, including innovations such as electronic voting, and approaches to addressing misinformation and safeguarding electoral integrity.
Participants: Vanessa Fernandes de Tunes Machado, Chief of Staff to Supreme Court
 President Carmen Lucia
- 17:40 pm Depart Brazil Electoral Court en route to (ert) dinner meeting
- 18:00 pm- **#12: Dinner [Meeting at EMBRAPA](#)**
- 19:30 pm **Address:** Sede da **Embrapa**. Parque Estação Biológica - PqEB s/nº. **Brasília**, DF - Brasil - CEP 70770-90
Purpose: To discuss Brazil’s agricultural innovation ecosystem, including research priorities in tropical agriculture, sustainability, and digital farming, and opportunities for U.S.–Brazil cooperation in food security and agri-tech.
Participants: Silvia Maria Fonseca Silveira Massruha, President of EMBRAPA
- [Alternate option for dinner meeting: Restaurant Casa Baco
 Address: Park Sul - SGCV/SUL Lote 22 - Loja 105 - Brasília - DF]
- 19:35pm Depart Restaurant for Hotel
- 20:00 pm Arrive Hotel for the night
- 22:00 pm Luggage call

RON Brasilia - B Hotel (Brasília Hotel)
SHN Quadra 5 Bloco J, Lote L - Asa Norte, North Wing, Brasília, CEP 70705-100

Thursday, May 28 - (Sao Paulo)

7:30am Breakfast at the hotel

8:30am Check out and Depart Hotel for Airport (drive time: 30 minutes)

9:00 am Arrive Brasilia Airport

9:55am Flight from Brasilia to Sao Paulo (LATAM flight 4677; flight time 1 hour 45 minutes)

11:40am Arrive Sao Paulo airport & collect luggage

12:00 pm Depart Sao Paulo Airport for lunch meeting (drive time: 30 minutes)

12:30 pm- **#13: Lunch Meeting with Private Sector Representatives: Business Community**
14:30 pm **Roundtable – National Confederation of Industry**
Restaurant: Barbacoa
Address: R. Dr. Renato Paes de Barros, 65 - Itaim Bibi, São Paulo - SP, 04530-000, Brazil
Purpose: Discussion will focus on U.S.–Brazil trade and investment, industrial cooperation and competitiveness, and private sector perspectives on policy risk.
Participants: Ambassador Roberto Azevedo (CNI),

14:30pm Depart Restaurant for AmCham event (45 minutes)

15:15 pm- **#14: American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham) event**
17:15pm Event with Private Sector Representatives and Experts
Address: Rua da Paz, 1431. Chácara Santo Antônio. São Paulo, SP 04713-001
Purpose: Brazil’s Political and Economic Overview, focusing on the business environment. Sectoral Snapshots and Brazil-US Cooperation
Participants: Abrao Neto, Fabrizio Panzini

17:15 pm Depart for dinner meeting (drive time 45 minutes)

18:00 pm Arrive Restaurant Fasano for Dinner

- 18:00 pm- **#15: Dinner Meeting with Private Sector on Mining, Energy and Agriculture**
20:00 pm **Restaurant:** Fasano
Address: R. Vitório Fasano, 88 - Cerqueira César, São Paulo - SP, 01414-020, Brazil
Purpose: Discussion with private sector representatives on mining, energy, agriculture and critical minerals
Participants: National Confederation of Agriculture, Mining Association, Marcos Jank (Professor at Insper/Researcher)
- 20:05pm Depart Dinner for Hotel (drive time 45 minutes)
- 20:50 pm Arrive hotel
- RON [Renaissance São Paulo Hotel:](#) Alameda Santos, 2233, Jardim Paulista, São Paulo, CEP 01419-002, Brazil

Friday, May 29

- 8:00 am Breakfast at the hotel
- 10:00 am Luggage call and check out
- 10:15 am Depart hotel for Meeting with Governor of Sao Paulo (Drive time: 45 min)
- 11:00 am- **#16: Meeting with Governor of Sao Paulo**
12:30 pm **Address:** Av. Morumbi, 4500 - Morumbi, São Paulo - SP, 05650-905, Brazil
Purpose: Discussion will include security cooperation
Participants: Governor of Sao Paulo, Tarcisio de Freitas
- 12:30 pm Depart Governor's office Drive time (30 minutes)
- 13:00 pm- **#17 Lunch with civil society organizations on mining and public security in**
14:30pm **Brazil**
Restaurant: Figueira Rubayat
Address: Rua Haddock Lobo, 1738 - Jardins, São Paulo - SP, 01414-002, Brazil
Purpose:
Participants: Illona Szabo de Carvalho (Igarape Institute)

- [Alternative restaurant option - Restaurant Maní - Address: R. Joaquim Antunes, 210 Jardim Paulistano, São Paulo - SP, 05415-010]]

14:30pm Depart restaurant for hotel (drive time: 45 minutes)

15:15 pm Arrive hotel to retrieve suitcases

18:00 pm Depart for Sao Paulo Airport (drive time: 90 minutes – Friday night rush hour)

19:30 pm Arrive Sao Paulo airport

21:30pm Flight from Sao Paulo to Dulles - United flight UA-860) (Flight time: 10 hours)
(only direct flight available)

Saturday, May 30

6:25 am Arrive IAD - Dulles International Airport and collect luggage

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May 12, 2026

Ms. Gabrielle Howard
Office of the Honorable Sydney Kamlager-Dove
144 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Howard:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Brazil,¹ scheduled for May 24 to 30, 2026, sponsored by Inter-American Dialogue.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$525 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$525] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Michael Guest
Chairman

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Mark DeSaulnier
Ranking Member

April 17, 2026

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Subject: Invitation to join Congressional Delegation trip to Brazil

Dear Gabrielle,

On behalf of the Inter-American Dialogue and its Brazil Program, I am pleased to invite you to join the inaugural U.S.–Brazil Dialogue Congressional & Staff Delegation visit to Brazil, scheduled for May 24–29 during the May congressional recess. We would be honored for your participation in this delegation trip.

The delegation is being organized by the Brazil Program at the Inter-American Dialogue under the leadership of Bruna Santos, who will accompany Members throughout the visit and guide the program's policy engagement in Brazil. Former U.S. Ambassador to Brazil, Liliana Ayalde, will host the delegation and facilitate discussions of interest to each member's state.

This bi-partisan CODEL + StaffDel Delegation will include approximately eight to ten Members of Congress and staff with particular interest in Brazil, including significant Brazilian diaspora constituencies in their district and significant trade ties between their state and Brazil.

This visit will provide Members and Professional Staff with an opportunity to engage directly with senior Brazilian government officials, Members of the Brazilian Congress, private sector leaders, civil society representatives, and U.S. Embassy personnel to advance U.S. interests in bilateral relations, trade and investment cooperation, energy collaboration and other priority areas. The delegation will focus on strengthening bilateral economic ties, reinforcing bilateral congressional ties, and expanding legislature to legislature cooperation.

The mission aims to deepen institutional ties, strengthen economic and energy cooperation, and reinforce strategic alignment between the two countries.

We respectfully request your response by April 22, as arrangements are currently being finalized. Should you or your staff have any questions and to RSVP, please contact Mickie Mitre at kmitre@thedialogue.org.

The proposed itinerary will include meetings with Government of Brazil officials, including Brazilian Vice President Geraldo Alckmin, a briefing with U.S. Mission leadership, discussions with key private sector representatives and site visits highlighting key areas of bilateral cooperation. Additional details regarding logistics, security, and travel arrangements will be provided upon confirmation of your interest.

Please see the attached draft notional schedule for your consideration. I hope you will consider joining this important delegation and lending your expertise to advancing U.S. priorities in Brazil.

Respectfully,



Rebecca Bill Chavez
President & CEO
Inter-American Dialogue

U.S.- Brazil Dialogue Notional Schedule for Congressional & Staff Delegation visit to Brazil

May 24-29, 2026

Sunday, May 24 - 10:30pm Depart Dulles for Brasilia

Monday, May 25 - 2:00 pm Arrive Brasilia

Tuesday, May 26

[Meeting with Ministry of Industry and Commerce](#) and/or [Meeting with Ministry of Mines and Energy](#)

Meeting on Security Cooperation with the [Ministry of Justice and Public Safety](#) or Ministry of Defense

Dinner Meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Wednesday, May 27

Meeting with Brazilian National Congress members on Critical Minerals

Meeting at Supreme Court and/or [Meeting with Brazil Electoral Court](#)

Dinner [Meeting with EMBRAPA](#), Brazilian Agriculture Research Corporation

Thursday, May 28

Flight to Sao Paulo

Event with American Chamber of Commerce and Civil Society Representatives

Dinner Meeting Round Table with Private Sector Representatives

Friday, May 29

Meeting with Governor of Sao Paulo including discussion on security cooperation

Meeting with Private Sector Representatives - Mining, Energy and Agriculture – Critical Minerals focus

9:30 pm return flight from Sao Paulo to Dulles (direct flight)

Saturday, May 30 - 6:30 am Arrive Dulles Airport