

# Democracy in Brazil Is Not Just About Voting. Bolsonaro, “The Tropical Trump”

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*According to polls, Brazilians are about to make a great mistake by voting for Bolsonaro – the Tropical Trump. There are indications that the gap with PT Haddad is getting narrow, but Brazilians have to move fast until Sunday to save Brazil from a human catastrophe.*

This is outside rightwing or leftwing ideology. This is about preventing Brazil from falling into a cruel dictatorship and a police state according to the promise that Bolsonaro himself has made.

The consequences of a Bolsonaro presidency go beyond the borders of Brazil. It will have a major negative impact on the whole Latin American region as a major trade player.

Bolsonaro has made statements that qualify him as “racist”, “fascist”, “misogynist”, “xenophobic”, “white supremacist”, and “military puppet”. A single one of these labels should be enough to disqualify him as an honest politician, much less as a president.

Brazilians might wake up Monday morning in a country that will have turned the clock to 40 years ago with a military dictatorship.

Brazilian voters must resist the temptation of imposing an authoritarian regime under the illusion that it will fight corruption and violence. Only a truly democratic government can be called to be accountable to fight social ills. That is not what Bolsonaro is promising. I urge Brazilians to reflect!

Democracy is not just voting. Democracy is building a peaceful and just society for all.

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