



## **SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE TRAGEDY OCCURRED AT SANTA MARIA, RIO GRANDE DO SUL, BRAZIL**

The Heads of State and Government of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) express our most profound sympathy to the Government and people of Brazil for the lamentable tragedy in where more than two hundred young people lost their lives and dozens were injured, in the fire occurred at Santa Maria, in the State of Rio Grande do Sul.

We further express our deepest condolences and solidarity to the families of the victims affected by this great tragedy.

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