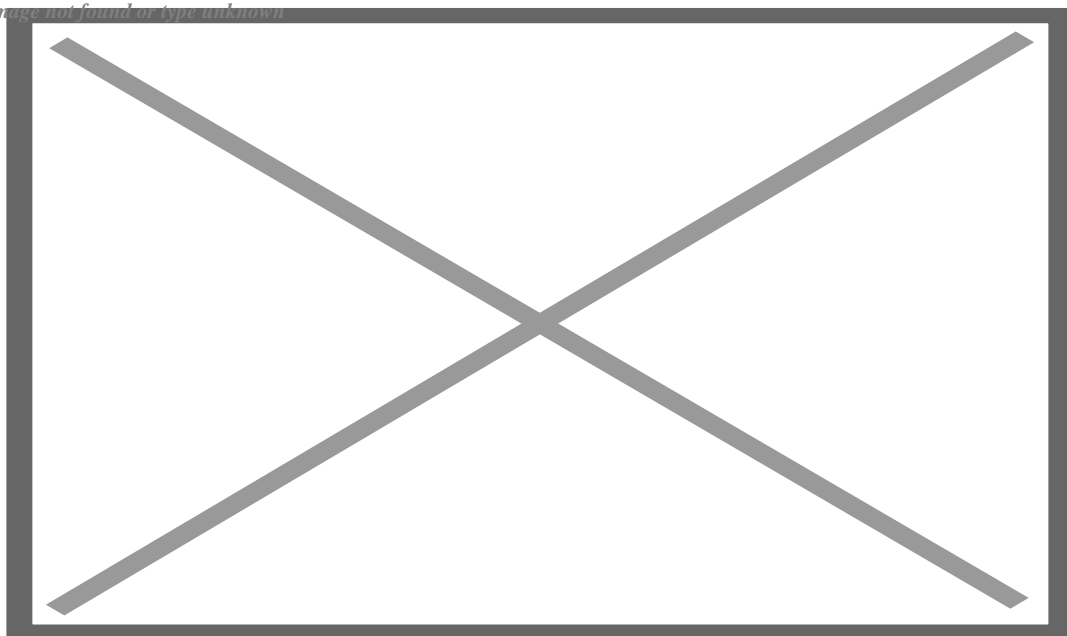


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The measure involves the surveillance with electronic anklets of those released. Night house arrest, prohibition to use social networks or to drive are some of the restrictions they must comply with. In addition, those on provisional release will not be able to leave their cities or the country, as their passports have been cancelled. They are prohibited from communicating with others involved.

Following the coup acts of January 8 in Brasilia against the headquarters of the three branches of government, the Brazilian Federal Police arrested 2 151 people involved in the anti-democratic acts.

According to the STF, 745 were released immediately after being identified. So far, more than 1 000 have already been released, while 392 people remain in prison (310 men/82 women).

Most of those involved have been charged with incitement to crime and criminal association. Some 219 people, are charged with aggravated damages, violent abrogation of the rule of law and attempted coup d'état.

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