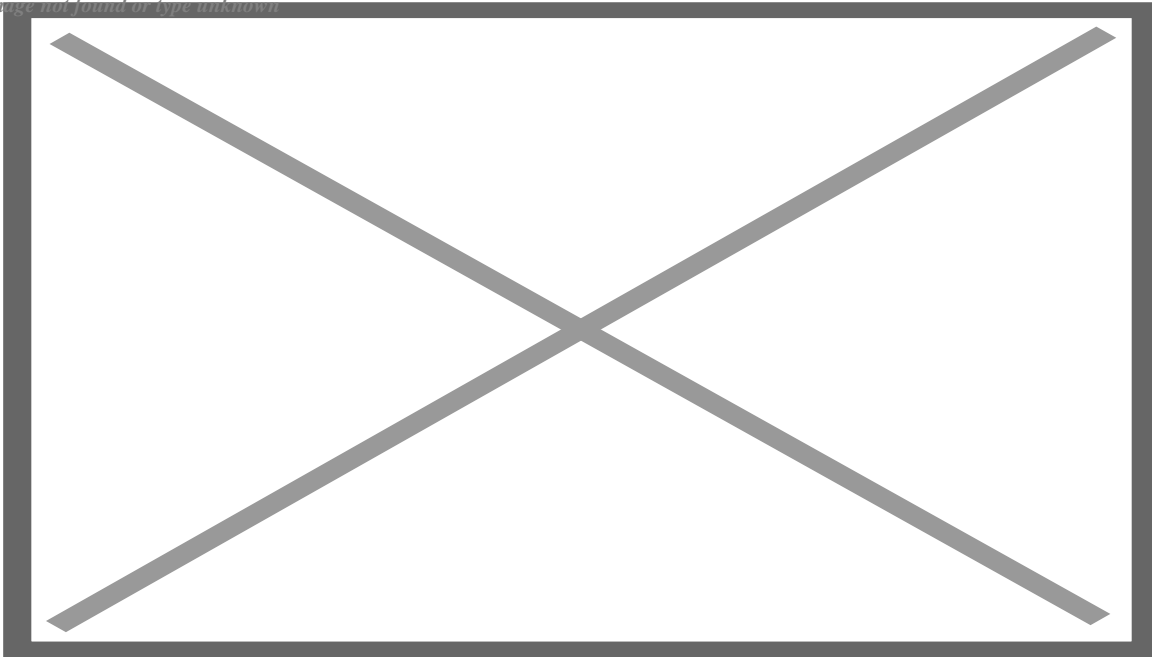


Brazil's Armed Forces dismiss fraud in general elections

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Lula da Silva celebrates his victory in the second round of presidential elections in Brazil. | Photo: EFE

Brasilia, November 11 (RHC)-- The Brazilian Armed Forces has affirmed that there was no fraud in the results of the second round of elections, in which the former president and union leader Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva won.

The Superior Electoral Court (TSE) indicated that the report prepared by specialists of the Armed Forces on the elections "did not point out the existence of any fraud or inconsistency in the electronic voting machines and in the electoral process of 2022".

In the document the Minister of Defense, Paulo Sérgio Nogueira de Oliveira did not mention any anomaly, but warned that the electronic voting system is not exempt to some kind of fraud. According to the report of the Armed Forces, the work was limited to the control of the electronic voting system, not comprising other activities of the electoral process. Before the text of the military, the TSE responded that it received it with satisfaction, not pointing out the existence of any fraud or inconsistency in the electronic ballot boxes.

The report of the Ministry of Defense did not point out any fraud or inconsistency in the 2022 elections. It was Jair Bolsonaro's hope to contest the electoral result. For the Brazilian electoral court, the electronic voting system is a source of pride and the results of the 2022 elections prove the efficiency and transparency of the vote count.

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