

Activists take to Rio de Janeiro streets as G20 gets underway in Brazil

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Rio de Janeiro, November 18 (RHC)-- As world leaders are gathering in Brazil for the G20 summit, Indigenous protesters in Rio de Janeiro took giant cutouts of U.S. President Joe Biden and other world leaders and sank them in the water to demand more action on the climate crisis.

Kleber Karipuna of the Articulation of Indigenous Peoples of Brazil said: “In anticipation of the meeting of big global leaders of the G20, we are sinking these heads to represent how these leaders, who head some of the biggest economies in the world, are failing to face climate change.”

In a separate protest, activists in Brazil placed 733 plates on Copacabana Beach to represent the 733 million people suffering from hunger in the world.

Antônio Carlos Costa is the founder of the group Rio de Paz. He said: “We placed 733 empty plates on the sand of Copacabana Beach, symbolizing the 733 million human beings who went hungry last year, according to data provided by the United Nations. The aim of this public act is to demand that the public authorities attending G20 here in Rio de Janeiro make a swift commitment to eradicating hunger.”

Palestinian rights protesters also marched in Rio over the weekend to call for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and Lebanon ahead of the G20 summit.

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