

Brazil and the United States have a long history of defense cooperation, but Brazilian governments have prioritized an independent foreign policy, while U.S. administrations have prioritized other countries.

1942

Brazil declares war on the Axis powers during World War II. In 1941, Brazil authorized temporary U.S. access to military bases in its Northeast.

1952

Brazil and the U.S. signs a military assistance agreement to incentivize Brazilian exports of strategic minerals and U.S. transfers of conventional weapons.

1977

The Brazilian military regime denounced the military assistance treaty in reaction to President Carter's campaign on human rights.

1978-2010

U.S.-Brazil defense cooperation remained in place without a framework agreement. During most years, both countries conducted terrestrial and naval exercises. Military training remained strong.

2010

Brazil and the U.S. signed a Defense Cooperation Agreement (DCA), a broad treaty defining the rules for cooperation, and a General Security of Military

2014

2015

2018

Brazil's Major Weapons Acquisition

During the last fifteen years, Braz