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BRAZIL BANS EXPORTS OF ESSENTIAL MEDICAL, HOSPITAL AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19

On April 24, 2020, by means of Law n. 13.993/2020, Brazil prohibited exports of essential medical, hospital and hygiene products in the fight against COVID-19.

Thus far, Brazil had not adopted measures to ban exports, as other countries have, but only certain measures to monitor, control and inspect exports of articles used in the fight against COVID-19.

The products subjected to the export prohibition under this Law are the following: personal protective equipment used in the health area, such as latex gloves, nitrile gloves, isolation gowns, goggles, caps, surgical mask, facial protector, mechanic lung ventilator and circuits, hospital beds and multiparameter monitors. The Executive branch may include, exclude and/or alter the products in the list.

The Law has been enforced today and shall remain in force while the Emergency in Public Health of National Importance (*Emergência em Saúde Pública de Importância Nacional – ESPIN*) persists, as declared by means of Ordinance n. 188/2020 of the Ministry of Health.

Click here to access Law n. 13.993/2020 and confer its complete content.

We remain at your disposal should you have any questions.

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