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Eighth Aircraft Carrying Supplies Purchased by Vale Arrives in Brazil

Another aircraft with supplies purchased by Vale to tackle the spread of the new coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) - which causes COVID-19 - landed in the late afternoon of this Sunday (April 28) at the International Airport of Guarulhos (São Paulo). The cargo includes 1 million rapid test kits, 320,000 disposable surgical masks, and 140,000 N95 masks for doctors and nurses exposed to environments contaminated by the disease. This material will be donated to the Brazilian government, which is responsible for distributing it to health centers throughout the country.

Of the 15.8 million personal protective equipment (PPE) that Vale will donate to the Ministry of Health, 15.7 million items have already arrived together with 4.5 million rapid test kits out of 5 million announced by the company. The cargo of the eight aircrafts - two airliners and six cargo aircrafts - totals 255 tons, equivalent to the average weight of 255 cars. The goods arrived in 21,083 boxes.



By May, Vale will have brought more than 600 tons of supplies from China to help fight the new coronavirus in Brazil. The cargo also includes five million kits purchased by Brazilian banks with Vale's logistical support in China, thanks to its 50-year partnership with that country. More PPE and kits are to be delivered to health centers in regions where Vale operates. In total, 15 aircrafts (13 cargo aircrafts and two airliners) will be required for the task force.

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