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Abstract: Is there a history of neofascism in Brazil? The purpose of this Element is to analyze neofascism as a late phenomenon to understand its impacts and its connections with the so-called new rights, the radical right, and Bolsonarism. For this purpose, the Element is separated into three sections addressing the formation of the first neofascist organizations after the Brazilian democratic transition, the development and articulation of a transnational network amidst a sharpening political crisis, and the emergence of a more complex and active Brazilian framework in the global extreme-right scenario in recent years. The main argument is that, despite being a late phenomenon, neofascism managed to articulate itself and have a political impact in Brazil, and therefore requires further investigation to understand its complexity and diversity.

Keywords: fascism, neofascism, extreme right, Brazil, far right

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