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SUBJECT : Braga Endorses Pimentel for Governor

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Paraná Governor Ney Braga has announced that he will support his political Independent Secretary of Agriculture Paulo Pimentel for his party's nomination for governor at the PDC state convention May 1. Braga was joined in his endorsement by all eleven PDC state deputies.

Pimentel's chief opponent at the PDC convention will be Lieutenant Governor Afonso Camargo Neto, state PDC president. Pimentel is favored to defeat Camargo Neto and, later, pick up partial support from the state UDN and PSD.

Already endorsed by the smaller PTN and PRP, Pimentel is an early favorite to be elected Governor of Parana this year.

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