How has the Brazilian Amazon been construed as a problem? An Analysis of Presidential Speeches since 1985

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