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Minister for Foreign Affairs

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*Fátima Mimbire, human rights activist*

Dear Minister,

I am writing to you today because I‘m extremely worried about the safety of the human rights activist **Fátima Mimbire**.I have heard that since 18 January she is being intimidated and threatened in the social media for her participation in the campaign started by Centro de Integridade Pública (CIP). This campaign concerns the criticism of an initiative of the government to pay back from public accounts credit which the government took up to found three state-owned companies without first having obtained the agreement of Parliament.

Consequently I call upon you respectfully to ensure that

* the responsible authorities conduct an independent and impartial investigation of the threats to and intimidation of Fátima Mimbire;
* she and other members of the CIP are granted protection in accordance with their wishes so that they continue their work without fear of any reprisals;
* the right to freedom of speech is respected and protected in Mozambique.

Yours faithfully,