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Support for young women and girls who have been abused by Boko Haram

Dear President Tinubu,

I am much concerned about the girls and young women who have been abused by members of Boko Haram during their captivity in north-east Nigeria. Having been treated as slaves suffering sexual abuse, some were even forced to carry babies resulting from such rape to term. Many of them now live in camps and are in dire need of adequate help, including mental health services as well as sexual and reproductive health care.

Regarding their future chances, the girls ought to be supported in gaining financial independence by receiving proper education free of cost and vocational training. The Nigerian government needs to fulfil international human rights obligations, taking effective measures to reintegrate these innocent girls and young women and protect them against discrimination, stigma, and poverty.

Yours sincerely,