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Joanah Mamombe, Netsai Marova and Cecillia Chimbiri

Your Excellency,

I am writing to express my concern about the case of **Joanah Mamombe, Netsai Marova and Cecillia Chimbiri**, three opposition party members who were assaulted in police custody in 2020 and who are still facing trial on fabricated charges.

Joanah Mamombe, Netsai Marova and Cecillia Chimbiri were arrested in Harare on 13 May 2020 after leading a protest over government measures during the COVID-19 lockdown. The same day, they were disappeared and subjected to torture and sexual violence. To this day, the authorities have investigated neither the women's disappearance nor their allegations of torture. All three are still facing charges for allegedly violating lockdown rules, however their trial has been postponed indefinitely.

I urge you to ensure that all charges against the three women are dropped and the harassment against them ended. Please conduct a prompt, effective and impartial investigation into their enforced disappearance and their torture and other-ill-treatment, including sexual violence, with the aim of holding the perpetrators to account.

Yours Sincerely,