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Dear Minister Marcy Cláudio Lopes,

I am writing to you to express concern about the arbitrary detention and conviction of **Ana da Silva Miguel (AKA Neth Nahara)**, solely for peacefully exercising her human rights.

On August 13, Neth Nahara – an avid TikTok user - was arrested by the Criminal Investigation Services at 04 de Fevereiro International Airport, while preparing for a trip to Dubai. On August 14, she was summarily tried and sentenced to 6 months in prison for ‘outrage against the state, its symbols, and bodies’ and a fine of 1 million Kwanza (approximately 1,200 USD) for having made a live stream on August 12 on her TikTok account criticizing the president.

I urge you to ensure that Neth Nahara is immediately released, since her conviction and ongoing arbitrary detention stem from the peaceful exercise of her human rights. Pending her release, the authorities must also ensure she has immediate access to all necessary and adequate healthcare.

Yours sincerely,

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