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Dear Governor,

**I am writing to you about Sandra Domínguez, a Mexican indigenous woman, lawyer, and human rights defender, who disappeared on 4 October, 2024.** She and her husband Alexander Hernández were last seen then in her home in the state of Oaxaca. According to local authorities, the victims' vehicle was found later in the state of Veracruz, where local authorities and security forces are also searching for Sandra and her husband.

Sandra litigates cases of violence against women. She denounced local authorities sharing sexual images of indigenous women in 2020.

Sandra Domínguez’s relatives reported the disappearance to the authorities on 8 October and are demanding effective and swift search from the authorities to find her alive, as well as guarantee their rights to search.

**I therefore urge you to take all necessary steps use all necessary resources to find defender Sandra Domínguez alive, in coordination with their relatives and all the authorities responsible for the search and the investigation, as well as to bring those responsible for the disappearance to justice.**

Yours sincerely,

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