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Dear Minister,

I am writing to you concerning the arrest of **Ibrahima Diallo and Sekou Koundono**, activists of the National Front for the Defence of the Constitution. During a FNDC press conference on 6 March 2020, they accused Commissioner Fabou Camara, director of the Central Direction of the Judicial Police, of phone tapping, torture and other ill treatment. They were arrested the next day and later charged with "assault, assaulting a public officer and production and dissemination of data threatening public order and security".

On 12 March, the Court of Appeal ordered the release of **Ibrahima Diallo and Sekou Koundono**. They were released on the next day but remain under judicial supervision.

I believe that the charges against the activists are trumped-up charges and I therefore urge you to immediately drop all charges against them.

Thank you for your time. I kindly look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,