**VOORBEELDBRIEF**

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Dear Counsellor,

Human rights lawyer Hoda Abdelmoniem has been arbitrarily detained for over two years, solely in relation to her human rights work. On 27 October 2020, the Cairo Criminal Court renewed her detention for 45 days pending investigations into unfounded ‘terrorism’-related charges. Hoda Abdelmoinem's pre-trial detention has exceeded the limit of two years permissible under Egyptian law.

Officials at the al-Qanater Prison for women, where she is held, have denied Hoda Abdelmoinem a single prison visit or other contact with her family since her detention on 1 November 2018. On 30 November 2020, her relatives learned that she was transferred to an external hospital after suffering from severe pain.

I urge you to immediately and unconditionally release Hoda Abdelmoniem and drop all charges against her. Pending her release, I also call on you to ensure that she is provided with the means to regularly communicate with her family and lawyers and has regular access to adequate health care.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

(naam, adres en handtekening)

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