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Dear Mr. Goldberger,

I wish to draw your attention to the case of Awad, a human rights defender who fled Sudan in 2012 for Egypt. I urge you to do everything in your power to expedite processing for her resettlement. She faces urgent protection needs.

Despite her UNHCR refugee status, Egyptian authorities have threatened to deport Awad back to Sudan because of her continuing human rights activism. Sudanese authorities have also directly threatened Awad while in Egypt for her work defending human rights. She founded the Sudanese Women Human Rights Project before she fled Sudan and continues her advocacy on human rights in Sudan.

Please help Awad resettle to safety in the United States as soon as possible to protect her from further threats to her safety in Egypt and the risk of deportation to Sudan, where she would be in jeopardy because of her human rights activism.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am waiting for your reply.

Yours sincerely,