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Dear Mr. Price,

I wish to draw your attention to the case of Valquiria (case file no. ###-###-418). In March 2018, Valquiria and her seven-year-old son fled Brazil and requested protection at the US–Mexico border in El Paso. Valquiria said she received repeated death threats from drug traffickers. After one night together in detention, she was forcibly separated from her son without explanation. On 27 March, a US asylum officer found that Valquiria’s story was credible, but on 10 September, her asylum claim was rejected. She began the appeal process. Valquiria is currently being held in the El Paso Processing Center in El Paso. She hasn’t seen her son since March 2018.

I respectfully urge you to grant Valquiria humanitarian parole immediately as she awaits the decision on her asylum claim appeal. She does not pose a threat to public safety and presents no flight risk.

I further call on you to ensure asylum seekers are only detained when necessary and proportionate in the individual case.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am kindly awaiting your reply.

Yours sincerely,