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Subject: National staff in Afghanistan

Dear Secretary-General,

We are writing to you on behalf of the three staff federations, CCISUA, FICSA and UNISERV regarding the fast deteriorating situation in Afghanistan.

We are relieved to note that the evacuation of international staff is going to take place and that only 30 essential staff will remain in Kabul. However, we are very concerned by the risks of retaliation that national staff and the member of their families might be facing and that might endanger their lives.

That is why, we kindly ask you to take the immediate necessary measures to ensure that the remaining international staff as well as the national staff and the members of their families are being protected from any risk of retaliation.

We are aware that the situation on the grounds is very complicated but we expect from the UN to exercise its duty of care towards all staff, be them international or national.

Best regards

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