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Your Excellency ,

On the night of 14 March 2018, councilwoman and prominent human rights defender Marielle Franco was shot dead in Rio de Janeiro when she was returning from a conference. Her driver Anderson Pedro Gomes was also killed in the attack.

Due to the context of recurrent threats and attacks against human rights defenders in Brazil and the frequent impunity of these crimes, we demand a prompt, thorough, independent and impartial investigation into the attack, which identifies not only the perpetrators, but also the intellectual authors, and that the results are made public. All those suspected of criminal responsibility should be brought to justice in a fair trial.

We further urge you to take all appropriate measures to guarantee effective assistance and protection to the families of the victims, including psychological and legal support, and for the witnesses of the crime, to prevent any form of harassment or threats.

We thank you for your attention to this urgent matter and are confident of your good will and sense of justice.

The Municipal Council of Oosterhout, the Netherlands,

, town-clerk

, Mayor