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Maria

## YOU ARE

Maria, a 20-year old woman from Venezuela who has just arrived in Buenos Aires.

## YOUR SITUATION

It is with sadness, grief and few other options that you left your country behind following the tragic loss of your family.

- On the first night of your arrival in Buenos Aires, the UN staff member in charge of bringing you and other beneficiaries to a migrant centre tried to kiss you.
- Since then, you have refused his sexual advances a few times, each of them getting harder to manage and he is growing impatient.
- You fear that on your next encounter, he will force himself on you.

## YOUR TESTIMONY

**You decide to go to the UN headquarters of Buenos Aires to report his behaviour before it gets any worse.**

Since you don't have an appointment, you are told to come back when you do.

When you mention that you have a delicate matter to report, the person insists that you tell him what the matter is in order for him to help you.

Hesitant, you trust him with your story. He takes your information and says that he will let the right person know about it, and that you should wait for further instructions.

You must now go back to the migrant centre, where you might have to face your perpetrator again.

## YOU ARE

Rita, a 16-year-old girl living in a refugee camp in Pakistan with your mother and two sisters.

## YOUR SITUATION

After a long period of hesitation, you decided to go talk with an UN representative about your mother...

- She has started going out with a national officer named Daniel who is sometimes violent with her. Your mother endures it because she says that the national officer promised to help your family move to Germany.
- You really don't want your mother to know you are here talking about her, which makes you sound anxious. You even stutter when talking and start having second thoughts about being here.

## YOUR TESTIMONY

**When you talk to the clerk...**

He hardly looks at you and continues to work on his computer.

He nods his head on every other occasion to acknowledge your story, but barely speaks a word.

He doesn't ask any questions and says that he will talk to this Daniel to ask him to stop seeing your mother.

He tells you not to worry and sends you home.

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YOUSRA

## YOU ARE

Yousra, Yamine and Adela, three beneficiaries employed as cleaners at a compound in Kenya.

## YOUR SITUATION

Together, you have decided to report the power abuse that you and other female cleaners are experiencing at work...

- Each of you have been offered additional money in exchange for sex from two different UN staff members on multiple occasions.
- Some other female colleagues, beneficiaries as well, were also offered money in exchange for sex, but are scared to report the situation.
- You know of at least one colleague who was fired because she refused the sexual advances of an UN male staff member.

## YOUR TESTIMONY

**The three of you have made a private appointment with an UN female office manager whom you trust and has insisted the appointment be held outside the UN compound.**

When you arrive at the meeting place, you are surprised to see the manager has brought two UN male managers with her.

All three of you start to doubt yourselves and wonder if reporting the issue is not going to do more damage than good. You were expecting to tell your story to one female manager who you know personally, not to three officers or to men.

Together, you decide to still go ahead and disclose the abuse you are living.

The three managers are outraged when they hear your story and tell you to worry no more, the two perpetrators will be fired right away.