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Front Line Defenders (www.frontlinedefenders.org) is an international NGO based in Ireland with special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC). Founded in 2001, Front Line Defenders has particular expertise on the issue of security and protection of human rights defenders and works to promote the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognised Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders) adopted by General Assembly resolution 53/144 of 9 December 1998.

Réseau Sentinelle is a national human rights network bringing together over 50 human rights defenders working in different parts of Togo. Founded in 2014, the network aims to promote the protection of Togolese human rights defenders at risk and strengthen their capacity and professionalism.

This submission has been prepared by Front Line Defenders and Réseau Sentinelle based on research carried out by these organisations and information received from independent human rights defenders in Togo.

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